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Subject: Petition to Permit Temporary Provision of Legal Services by Qualified Attorneys from Outside North Dakota

To: Penny Miller, Clerk, North Dakota Supreme Court

I urge the North Dakota Supreme Court to grant the Petition to Permit Temporary Provision of Legal Services by Qualified Attorneys from Outside North Dakota.

I understand that there is an emergency affecting the North Dakota legal system resulting from the high number of arrests related to anti-Dakota Access pipeline matters and an insufficient number of qualified and interested criminal defense lawyers in North Dakota currently licensed to represent all of the arrestees.

Therefore, I urge the Court to grant the Petition in order to protect the arrestees' constitutional rights to counsel and to due process of law.

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