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STATEMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL SUZUKI REGARDING SUPREME COURT RULING UPHOLDING TRAVEL BAN IN *HAWAII V. TRUMP*

HONOLULU – In a decision issued today, the United States Supreme Court upheld President Donald Trump’s third travel ban, Proclamation No. 9645, issued on September 27, 2017, that bans travel from six Muslim-majority nations, ruling against the plaintiffs in *Hawaii v. Trump*.

Attorney General Russell Suzuki issued the following statement in response:

“We are profoundly disappointed with today’s ruling from the Supreme Court, as we continue to believe the President’s travel ban is unconstitutional. We must remain vigilant and continue to challenge the President’s unprecedented, unjust actions, and protect Hawaii residents from his discriminatory policies.”

This case was originally filed in the federal District Court for the District of Hawaii in February 2017, and at first concerned the litigation about the second travel ban. In October 2017, Judge Derrick K. Watson halted implementation of the third travel ban, and that ruling was upheld on appeal by the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in December 2017. The Supreme Court heard oral argument on the case on April 25, 2018.

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