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Filling the Vacancy on the Supreme Court

1. **WHEREAS**, the sudden death of Justice Antonin Scalia on February 13, 2016 created a vacancy on the Supreme Court; and
2. **WHEREAS**, Justice Scalia made immeasurable contributions to our legal system and our nation; and
3. **WHEREAS**, the U.S. Constitution states that the President "shall nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint...judges of the Supreme Court...;" and
4. **WHEREAS**, mayors know that it is critical that government at all levels be fully functioning and that this is especially true of the Supreme Court, which has a full docket and several major cases pending this term,
5. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that The United States Conference of Mayors urges the President to nominate an individual to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court of the United States, and the Senate to fulfill its constitutional duty to consider that nomination.