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Dear Attorney General Carr –

Today, I learned that the Biden-led Department of Justice (DOJ) is targeting your great state of Georgia and your common-sense election integrity laws passed earlier this year. As the Attorney General of Arizona, another state where the DOJ is attempting to intimidate local officials, please know that we stand with you in this fight and will do whatever we can to push back against this blatantly political and unmerited attack.

Earlier this month, I wrote to U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland to express my concerns over his disparaging remarks regarding the Arizona Senate's authority to conduct an audit over the 2020 election. I reminded him that the states created the federal government, not the other way around. All states have the authority, and a duty, to ensure public confidence in the integrity of our electoral process.

Following the 2020 election, Georgians demanded that state officials pass reasonable reforms to protect your election process. I, and many Americans across the nation, appreciate that your state did not back down when faced with baseless falsehoods from special interest groups attacking your actions. Unfortunately, the DOJ seems more concerned with appeasing far-leftist pundits and radical activists than upholding the rule of law.

The DOJ's announcement today seems absurdly partisan, coming on the heels of S. 1, a defeated effort by Democrats to roll over the powers reserved for the states and nationalize our elections. The executive branch is now attempting to override the will of the legislature.

In March of this year, I personally argued before the U.S. Supreme Court in *Brnovich v. DNC*, a pivotal election integrity case that will address Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and provide clarity on the authority of states like Arizona and Georgia to enact common-sense election integrity measures. Ironically, the Biden DOJ agreed in their filing that Arizona's voting

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laws related to ballot harvesting and prohibiting out-of-precinct voting do not violate Section 2. A decision on this case is expected next week, before the end of the current term.

Today, the fight has come to Georgia. Tomorrow, it will be in Arizona, and if left unchallenged, the DOJ will intimidate other states in an attempt to undermine the Constitution and force submission to the relentless will of the current federal administration. We must not be deterred by these threats. As state officials, we must all stand together to defend federalism and state sovereignty against federal overreach.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Brnovich", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mark Brnovich