IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

DOROTHY NAIRNE, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 3:22-cv-178-SDD-SDJ

R. KYLE ARDOIN, in his official capacity as Secretary of State of Louisiana,

Defendant.

UNITED STATES' NOTICE OF INTERVENTION PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 2403(a)

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2403(a) and in response to Defendant and Intervenor-Defendants' Notice of Constitutional Question, ECF No. 178, the United States hereby respectfully notifies the Court that it exercises its right to intervene in this proceeding to defend the constitutionality of Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, 52 U.S.C. § 10301. Unless otherwise directed by the Court, the United States will submit a brief addressing Defendant and Defendant-Intervenors' constitutional arguments by December 19, 2023.

Date: December 7, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on December 7, 2023, I electronically filed the foregoing with the clerk of the court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of this filing to counsel of record.

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