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STATEMENT OF NOMINATION

Erring on the side of persistence (I hope not a thorn in your side!), I am deeply honored once again to nominate for the Bradley Prize – this time for 2015 – Aaron Friedberg, Professor of Politics and International Affairs and Co-director of the Center for International Security Studies at Princeton University. Professor Friedberg simultaneously serves as President of the Alexander Hamilton Society and Senior Advisor to The National Bureau of Asian Research. Through his writing, teaching, and public service he has dedicated his professional life to a vigorous defense – at home and abroad – of American ideals and institutions. With the publication of another book and accomplishments with the Hamilton Society, I hope you agree that this is his year.

Aaron first joined the Princeton faculty in 1987, and was for many years director of Princeton's Research Program in International Security at the Woodrow Wilson School. He was the inaugural Kissinger Scholar at the Library of Congress, 2001-2002. From 2003-2005 Aaron served as Deputy National Security Advisor to Vice President Cheney. He earned his A.B. (magna cum laude), A.M., and Ph.D. from Harvard University. He received the American Political Science Association's award for best dissertation of the year (1988) and subsequently received numerous additional awards for his remarkable and influential work.

Aaron is one of the world's most recognized and influential scholars of international relations. To his credit are major books and articles, chapters, and op-eds in premier publications on the most important subjects of our time: the rise and decline of great powers; the rise of China; the war on terror; and United States national security strategy. Aaron served as founding director, editor, and lead author for NBR's *Strategic Asia* program, the premier annual assessment of strategic developments in Asia. His latest book, *Beyond Air-Sea Battle: The Debate over US Military Strategy in Asia (2014)*, fills what was a gaping hole in our understanding of our strategic military response to date and the strategic choices immediately ahead in view of the extraordinary rise of authoritarian China, arguably the greatest challenge for humankind this century. Just three years prior Aaron published *A Contest for Supremacy: China,*

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America and the Struggle for Mastery in Asia, which was quickly acclaimed as a landmark study on the international implications of China's rise.

Aaron is recognized as a wonderfully effective educator. In addition to teaching undergraduate and graduate students at Princeton University he is a founder of the American Academy for Strategic Education (AASE), which this month is offering its first course in the techniques for developing competitive strategies for professionals who work in government and research organizations, and for those who aspire to work in these arenas. The instructors are veterans of government service and the academy, including Jacqueline Deal, Stephen Rosen, and of course, Aaron himself.

Aaron is leading the development of the Alexander Hamilton Society, which is modeled on the Federalist Society, but aimed largely at undergraduates. The Society is committed to preparing future American leaders and analysts who understand international relations deeply and understand how America can best protect its citizens and their interests. In just four years the Society has established chapters at scores of our nation's universities and colleges.

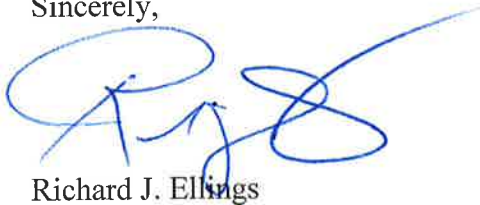
Aaron is paying close attention to America's relations with its Asian allies and friends. Currently, for example, he has a new collaborative project with AASE and a major Japanese foundation to develop young strategists in the United States and Japan. The carefully selected members of the "Young Strategists' Dialogue" have met four times, most recently in Hawaii with Admiral Harry Harris, the newly appointed PACOM Commander.

From 2003-2005, a critical period in developing America's response to international terrorism, Aaron served as Vice President Cheney's deputy national security advisor. Indeed, throughout his career Aaron has counseled the United States Government on major issues – as an expert testifying before Congress and as a senior consultant to our lead departments and agencies.

Aaron possesses incredible integrity and a welcome sense of humor while being wonderfully kind, humble, and civil – an unusual set of qualities for the elite ivory tower and national security milieus in which he operates.

In short, Aaron is truly worthy of the Bradley Prize, and I know that my colleagues across the country will corroborate, and undoubtedly add to, the qualifications I have outlined here.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "RJ Ellings", with a large, stylized flourish extending from the end.

Richard J. Ellings
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- ☐ Family Values
- ☒ Foreign Affairs
- ☐ Human Rights
- ☐ Journalism
- ☐ Law
- ☐ Philanthropy
- ☐ Religion & Society
- ☐ Social Security Reform
- ☐ Tax Reform
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