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VIA CM/ECF

Lyle W. Cayce, Clerk of Court U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit 600 South Maestri Place New Orleans, LA 70130

RE: Louisiana v. Becerra, No. 22-30748 (5th Cir.)

Dear Mr. Cayce:

We write to notify the Court that the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has issued a final rule removing the Head Start COVID-19 vaccination requirement at issue in this appeal. *See* HHS, *Removal of the Vaccine Requirements for Head Start Programs*, 88 Fed. Reg. 41,326 (June 26, 2023). We intend to file a motion on or before Monday, July 17, 2023 addressing mootness, as well as the Supreme Court's recent decisions on standing in *Haaland v. Brackeen*, No. 21-376 (June 15, 2023), and *United States v. Texas*, No. 22-58 (June 23, 2023).

Sincerely,

/s/ Sarah J. Clark

Sarah J. Clark Counsel for the United States

cc: Counsel of Record (via CM/ECF)