

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

No. 21-972

THOMAS H. BUFFINGTON,

Petitioner.

V.

DENIS McDonough, Secretary of Veterans Affairs,

Respondent.

As required by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(h), I certify that the Brief of *Amici Curiae* Senators Tom Cotton, Marsha Blackburn, Kevin Cramer, and Ted Cruz in Support of Petition for Certiorari contains 4,403 words, excluding the parts of the Brief that are exempted by Supreme Court Rule 33.1(d).

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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