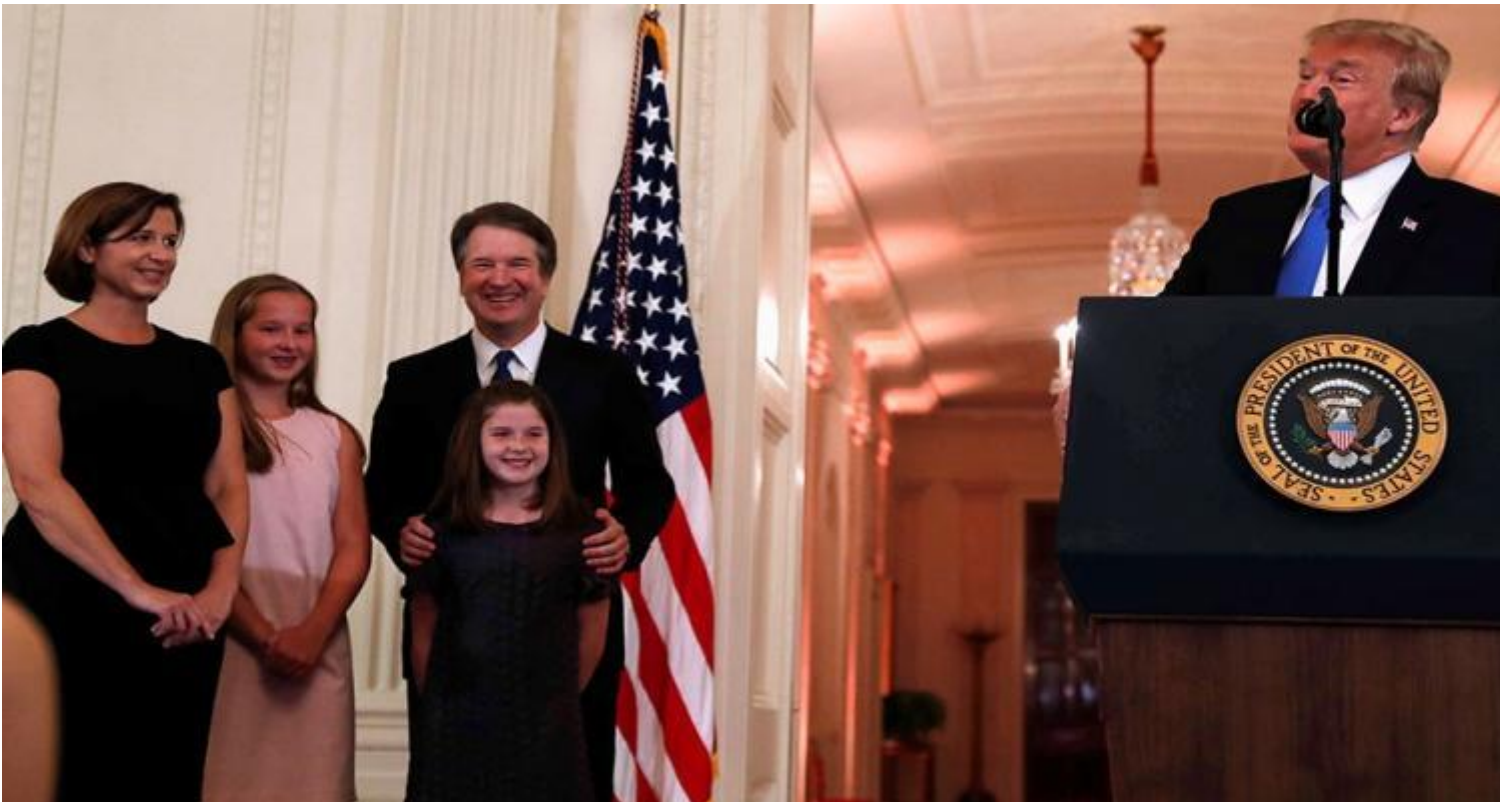


U.S. president nominates Judge Brett Kavanaugh for Supreme Court



Washington, July 10 (RHC)-- U.S. President Donald Trump has nominated federal Judge Brett Kavanaugh to replace retiring Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy. If Kavanaugh is confirmed, it would create a bloc of five right-wing justices, making it the most conservative Supreme Court since the 1930s.

Critics warn this could lead to major rollbacks of civil rights, environmental regulations, gun control measures, voting rights and reproductive rights, including possibly overturning *Roe v. Wade*.

In 2000, Kavanaugh represented the Miami family of Elián González, trying to keep him from being reunited with his father and returned to Cuba. Judge Kavanaugh also worked on George W. Bush's legal team during the 2000 Florida recount, which resulted in Bush winning a party-line Supreme Court vote to install him in office.

Once Bush was president, Kavanaugh worked in his White House counsel's office from 2001 to 2003, and then from 2003 to 2006 as his staff secretary, the person charged with providing briefing materials and other documents to the president.

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