

# EXHIBIT A

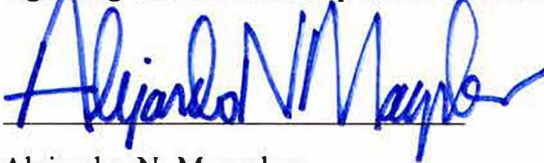
## RATIFICATION

Out of an abundance of caution, I affirm and ratify prior delegable actions and decisions regarding the approval, issuance, signing, and publication of the Removal of 30-Day Processing Provision for Asylum Applicant-Related Form I-765 Employment Authorization Applications rulemaking.

I have familiarized myself with the following actions:

- Removal of 30-Day Processing Provision for Asylum Applicant-Related Form I-765 Employment Authorization Applications, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), 84 Fed. Reg. 47,148 (published Sept. 9, 2019) (“Timeline Repeal NPRM”).
- Removal of 30-Day Processing Provision for Asylum Applicant-Related Form I-765 Employment Authorization Applications, Final Rule, 85 Fed. Reg. 37,502 (published June 22, 2020) (“Timeline Repeal Final Rule”).

Pursuant to my authority as Secretary of Homeland Security and based on my review of the actions and decisions listed above, I hereby affirm and ratify the above actions and decisions regarding the Timeline Repeal NPRM and the Timeline Repeal Final Rule.



Alejandro N. Mayorkas  
Secretary of Homeland Security

MAY 4, 2021

Date