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Dear :

The next president of the United States will be faced with what has been described as a “gathering storm” both at home and abroad. Serious challenges include the lack of a national strategy to deal with our fiscal challenges, our educational challenges, our energy challenges, our environmental challenges, as well as the dangerous turbulence triggered by the current financial crisis.

America remains the strongest nation in the world, but we can only be successful in tackling our toughest problems if we gain cooperation at home and abroad. Our next president – working across party and economic lines – must restore and strengthen our national purpose, our credibility, our competence and our spirit.

We see in Barack Obama an uncommon ability to restore America’s credibility and moral authority and to get others to join us in tackling serious global problems that will determine our own well being and security. We believe that he will bring to the White House high principles, clear vision and sound judgment. We believe that he will inspire people to put aside extreme partisanship for the common good. We believe that he will awaken the energy and idealism of people who have never been active in public affairs, particularly our young people. We believe that he will also attract skilled, experienced and energetic people to government and will have the sound judgment to put together an outstanding governing team, bringing people together across old boundaries.

For these reasons, we invite you to join us in supporting Barack Obama’s campaign to be the next President of the United States. We need a president who has the temperament of a leader – a sharp, incisive, strategic mind, a rare capacity for self criticism, and a willingness to hear contrary points of view.

Senator Obama, as evidenced by his words and his deeds, recognizes that:

- We have developed a habit of avoiding the tough decisions and seemingly lost our ability to build consensus to tackle head-on our biggest challenges.
- Solving America’s problems will require difficult choices and sacrifices and leaders capable of considering new ideas from both political parties.
- On foreign policy and security policy, we must recognize that we are not limited to a choice between belligerency and isolation and that we must listen to lead successfully on the key issues facing America and the world.
- The battle against violent terrorists, while requiring a prudent use of military power, is also a long-term contest of psychology and ideas.

In addition, one of the most important decisions a nominee has to make at an early stage is the selection of the vice presidential nominee. We believe that Senator Obama demonstrated his sound judgment and his ability to make decisions in a thorough and thoughtful way in his choice of Senator Joe Biden. Joe Biden is a man of integrity, with many years of experience. He is a devoted husband and father and most importantly, he is fully capable of being President of the United States.

Assuming that you have survived our recent financial earthquakes, we hope that you will join us in providing important financial assistance to Senator Obama's campaign. We've enclosed a contribution form from the Obama for America campaign, but we hope that you will also confer with your attorney and/or accountant, if necessary.

We hope that you will consider making a generous contribution -- from \$5,000 to \$30,000 - to the Obama Victory Fund. The bottom line is that we welcome a contribution in any amount. The Obama Victory Fund is a joint fundraising committee established between Obama for America and the Democratic National Committee that raises money for both entities at the same time. If you haven't contributed to Obama for America for the general election, you may give as much as \$30,800 to the Victory Fund, and the first \$2,300 will be allocated directly to Obama for America and counted toward the general election. If you have already contributed to Senator Obama for the general election and wish to contribute again, give to the Obama Victory Fund. They will look at your previous contributions to Obama for America and figure out how much of your contribution can be allocated to the campaign. Once they have allocated a full \$2,300 to Obama for America, they will allocate the rest to the DNC.


Our goal is to deliver our contributions to the campaign by October 24, 2008. If you decide to join us, please send your contribution to Sam Nunn, 1180 Peachtree Street, NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

Please call one of us if you would like discuss this further. Thank you for your consideration.


Sincerely,



Stephanie and Arthur Blank


Patti and Gordon Giffin



Herman J. Russell

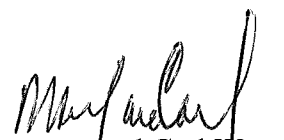

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