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**Michelle Klaus**

**From:** Wes Tunnell [jtunnell@falcon.tamucc.edu]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 09, 2003 10:04 AM  
**To:** Raul Rodriguez, Katharine Armstrong  
**Cc:** Will Harte  
**Subject:** Gulf of Mexico & Presidents

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Hello Katharine and Raul,

Will Harte suggested that I write the two of you concerning an issue that developed in June. In early June I found out that President Fox had instructed the National Institute of Ecology in Mexico to do an environmental analysis and state of knowledge report on the Gulf of Mexico. Although I am not sure when this initiative started, they are having a conference in Veracruz on these topics 20-22 August 2003 and hope to publish their report (book) sometime later this year. Obviously this is a major duplication with our State Knowledge Workshop in CC this October and our 50-year update of Bulletin 89, The Gulf of Mexico-Its Origins, Waters, and Marine Life. Exequiel Escurra, the INE Director, called me after I informed him of our plans, and we agreed to work together in the long-run, he needed to produce his report as instructed. I will now be presenting information about our efforts at the meeting in Veracruz and submitting a paper for the report along those lines, and we will be "enlisting" some of the Mexican scientists to participate with us in our longer and larger project.

With that as background, I will get to what Will wanted me to share as a thought. Since President Fox has shown an interest in the Gulf of Mexico, can we get President Bush to do the same? With the Pew Oceans Report just coming out last month and the National Ocean Policy report due in October, there is greater focus on the oceans, good and bad, than there has been for years. In addition, since President Bush needs some good "environmental points" now and for his second run for President, maybe the ocean could be his trump card and the Gulf of Mexico his focus. Likewise, although he and Fox have not gotten along well, this could be a good common ground. We may be able to get them both to our 2005 State of the Gulf Conference also, focusing on working together for the good of the Gulf.

There you have it. Since Raul was appointed by President Fox, and since Katharine knows and visits with the Bushs, we thought this was a good discussion item with huge potential for the future of the Gulf of Mexico.

Any thoughts or concerns you might have would be welcome.

Regards and all the best,  
Wes

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F: Gov. Foster

**Hurricane Assistance for Sugarcane, Weather-Related Loss Assistance for Sugarbeets, and Livestock Compensation Grants for Catfish Producers**

**Sugar:**

*Hold her call from Gov. Foster  
xc. for file for La. trip.*

**Disaster Assistance Policy**

- The Administration strongly believes that all producers of all crops should be treated equally. The loss threshold to qualify for the 2003 crop disaster assistance program is 35 percent for all crops except sugar (identical to 1998, 1999, and 2000).
- All crop disaster programs since 1990 have required a loss threshold of at least 35 percent to qualify for assistance. The Administration's goal is to create a program that is consistent with the disaster assistance currently provided to all other crop producers and consistent with how sugarbeets and sugarcane have been treated in previous disaster bills.
- Permitting anything less than 35 percent would set the precedent for lowering the loss threshold for sugar and other crops in future disaster bills.
- Basic crop insurance policies indemnify above a 35 percent crop loss. The goal of the Administration is to implement disaster assistance to be consistent with crop insurance protection. The 1998, 1999, and 2000 crop disaster programs, for which both sugarbeets and sugarcane received payments, required a 35 percent loss threshold to complement crop insurance coverage.

**Current Packages Provide a Generous Level of Assistance**

The current assistance packages are far more generous than past programs have been. The current programs provide assistance to producers with losses of 35 percent. Both programs are expected to provide \$60 million in assistance, far more than has been provided in any previous program to sugar producers.

**Sugarbeets**

- Disaster funding of up to \$60 million is available for sugarbeets and the program is expected to provide the full level of assistance to sugarbeet producers.
- In order to maintain the integrity of the crop insurance program, producers are required to have a crop loss of 35 percent to qualify for the program.
- An \$80,000 payment limit is required for sugarbeet assistance and 100 percent of losses above 35 percent will be covered.

**Sugarcane**

- Disaster funding for sugarcane is fixed at \$60 million. Though sugarcane producers do not typically purchase crop insurance, it is important to maintain the integrity of disaster assistance by requiring a 35 percent loss to qualify.

- The 35 percent loss level for sugarcane is made up of two components: 20 percent for crop loss and 15 percent for “economic” loss. According to a Louisiana State University study, sugarcane producers suffered a 15 percent economic loss due to time spent salvaging the sugarcane plants (which are perennials), maintenance to machinery damaged by mud, as well as on field repair and replanting. Therefore, the Administration supports a crop loss threshold for sugarcane of 20 percent to produce the total loss threshold of 35 percent.

History of Disaster Assistance to Sugar Producers

- Sugar was available for crop disaster assistance in 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, and 1994. In those years, Congress required a loss ratio of 40 percent to qualify for assistance as mandated in the disaster payment authority in the 1990 Farm Bill. Under these programs, 50 percent of losses were covered.
- There were no disaster payments provided for crop losses from 1995 to 1997.
- Sugar was eligible for disaster payments provided for crop losses in 1998, 1999, and 2000. Congress provided authority to the Secretary to determine the loss threshold. The Secretary set the required loss ratio at 35 percent and 60 percent of qualifying losses were covered (65 percent if covered under crop insurance).

	Sugarcane Assistance	Sugarbeet Assistance
2000	\$3.6 million	\$24.3 million
1999	\$4.3 million	\$8.1 million
1998	\$5.2 million	\$9.0 million

Catfish:

Feed Assistance for Catfish Producers

- Feed assistance will be provided to catfish producers through the Livestock Compensation Program (LCP), which was authorized in the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution of 2003.
- Feed assistance to catfish producers will be provided in a manner similar to which livestock producers received feed assistance through the LCP. Catfish producers will receive compensation for one month’s worth of feed at a rate of \$34 per ton.
- Assistance is expected to total \$34 million and will be provided as grants to the states in which catfish producers reside. USDA is currently in the process of drafting Memorandums of Understanding with the states to administer the program.

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Comments: I have placed a couple calls to you earlier this week with no response. We, as a delegation are trying to help with the Michigan Judge process. I've now sent the following response to Levin/Stabenow. I'd like to think we are all on the same page.

Not sure what number they called but we've given them our # and added him to call list as soon as we saw his fax.



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Dear Senators Levin and Stabenow,

I am responding to your letter sent last week suggesting a bipartisan commission to resolve the impasse on Michigan federal court vacancies. I believe that is a fatally flawed idea that should be dismissed. Instead of moving us closer toward our goal, it would further complicate and drag out a situation that is best resolved in the historic and appropriate manner intended by the framers of the Constitution.

I urge you to withdraw your opposition and allow four Michigan judges nominated by President Bush for the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals the right to hearings before the Senate Judiciary Committee. A bipartisan gesture would be to allow these four individuals the fair hearing they so deserve. As the Detroit News editorialized on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, "All presidential nominees are entitled to a hearing and a vote."

These four accomplished jurists, Honorable Richard Allen Griffin, Honorable David McKeague, Honorable Susan Bieke-Neilson and Honorable Henry William Saad, have served the State of Michigan with integrity, receiving positive recognition from their peers in the legal community and the American Bar Association.

The President has nominated these four judges based on their qualifications and they have the right to a fair consideration and a vote. The President selected these nominees more than a year ago, yet the Sixth Circuit remains critically understaffed. If these seats—traditionally held by judges representing the citizens of Michigan—remain vacant much longer, President Bush may be forced to fill the vacancies with judges from states other than Michigan within the Sixth Circuit.

There is historical precedent of bipartisanship. Senator Abraham supported and even chaired the confirmation hearing for Eric Clay, President Clinton's first nominee for the Court of Appeals. With Abraham's strong support, Judge Clay was the first Clinton court of appeals nominee to get a hearing in the 105<sup>th</sup> Congress and the second to be confirmed by the Senate. Of the 16 judgeships on the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, Judge Clay is the only Michigander.

The Honorable Carl Levin

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The bipartisanship continued with Senator Abraham supporting Clinton district court nominees Arthur Tarnow, George Steeh, Victoria Roberts, Marianne Battani and David Lawson. These five judges, all with Senator Abraham's support, are now judges.

We are in grave jeopardy of losing Michigan's voice on the Sixth Circuit. Four seats hang in the balance, and it would be an injustice for the people of Michigan to lose their representation in the judicial process.

As elected officials, we should work together to promote a justice system that is timely, fair, and ensures Michigan residents are represented by Michigan judges. I urge you to remove your opposition to these judicial nominees and allow these judges their constitutional right to hearings.

I have discussed this issue with most of the GOP delegation and they are in accord.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Fred Upton', written over a horizontal line.

Fred Upton  
Member of Congress

CC: Rep. Dave Camp  
Rep. Vernon Ehlers  
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# United States Senate

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July 18, 2003

Congressman Fred Upton  
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Dear Fred:

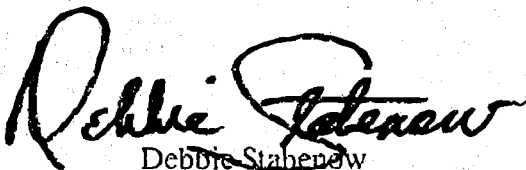
As you know, the situation surrounding Michigan vacancies on the federal courts has reached an impasse. We believe the only way it can be fairly resolved is through bipartisan cooperation.

As the senior Republican member in Michigan's congressional delegation, we invite you to join us in establishing a bipartisan judicial nominating commission to recommend to the President potential nominees for Michigan vacancies on the federal courts. We believe that a bipartisan judicial nominating commission with members chosen from the Michigan Bar and the state's academic and legal communities presents an opportunity to fairly resolve the situation.

Commissions have been successful in other states. Recently, House Judiciary Committee Chairman Republican James Sensenbrenner joined Wisconsin's two Democratic Senators, Senators Russell Feingold and Herb Kohl in announcing the adoption of a Federal Nominating Commission to recommend nominees to the federal courts in their state. We have enclosed a copy of the Wisconsin Commission's Charter for your review. We believe that the bipartisan Wisconsin Commission approach could be profitably considered for Michigan and it is our hope that it could form the basis for discussions between us.

We will contact you next week to see if you are interested in pursuing this matter with us. We hope that you will join us in this effort and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Debbie Stabenow

  
Carl Levin

Enclosure

## WISCONSIN FEDERAL NOMINATING COMMISSION CHARTER

United States Senator Herb Kohl and United States Senator Russell Feingold, do hereby establish the Wisconsin Federal Nominating Commission to advise the Senators from Wisconsin on selecting qualified individuals to fill vacancies on the United States District Courts in Wisconsin, certain vacancies on the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and for United States Attorneys in Wisconsin.

Section I. Purposes. The Wisconsin Federal Nominating Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") is established in order to:

- (a) assist the United States Senators from Wisconsin in faithfully fulfilling their constitutional and statutory obligation to provide advice and consent to the President in appointing federal judges and U.S. Attorneys;
- (b) help insure that qualified, conscientious and dedicated individuals be appointed to serve the public as judicial officers; and
- (c) protect and preserve the independence and integrity of the judicial branch of government and help insure the fair and equal administration and enforcement of justice under the laws of the United States.

Section II. Functions of the Commission. The Commission shall advise the United States Senators from Wisconsin on the nomination of individuals to fill the following vacancies as they occur:

- (a) The United States District Court for the Eastern District and the Western District of Wisconsin, or such other districts as may be established in Wisconsin;
- (b) The United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, which are appropriately considered Wisconsin seats;
- (c) United States Attorneys for the Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin or such other districts as may be established in Wisconsin.

Section III. Responsibilities. Whenever a vacancy occurs in a judicial office or U.S. Attorney position within the jurisdiction of the Commission, the Commission shall:

- (a) affirmatively seek out qualified candidates, including women and minority candidates, for appointment to each such vacancy;

- (b) consider all applications from individuals interested in appointment to each such vacancy, and
- (c) recommend the nomination of not less than four nor more than six individuals who are the most qualified of those considered to serve.

Section IV. Appointment of Members.

- (a) The Commission shall consist of eleven members, who except as otherwise provided herein, shall serve two year terms and shall each be residents of the State of Wisconsin, reflecting the diversity of the population and the respective judicial districts of the state.
- (b) When both Senators are of the same political party as the President of the United States,
  - (1) Four members shall be appointed by each Senator;
  - (2) Two members shall be appointed by the State Bar of Wisconsin; and
  - (3)
    - (i) for consideration of vacancies in the Eastern District of Wisconsin, one member shall be the Dean of the Marquette University Law School, or the designee of the Dean to be drawn from the faculty of the law school;
    - (ii) for consideration of vacancies in the Western District, one member shall be the Dean of the University of Wisconsin Law School, or the designee of the Dean to be drawn from the faculty of the law school; and
    - (iii) for consideration of vacancies in the Seventh Circuit which are appropriately considered Wisconsin seats, one member shall be the Dean of either Marquette University Law School or the University of Wisconsin Law School, or the designee of such Dean to be drawn from the faculty of his or her respective law school, with such membership to alternate between the deans with the Dean having served the longest tenure in his or her position serving for the first such rotation occurring after the date of execution of this Charter.
- (c) When the President of the United States and only one Senator belong to the same political party,
  - (1) Five members shall be appointed by the Senator belonging to the same political party as the President;
  - (2) Three members shall be appointed by the other Senator;

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- (d) When the President of the United States is of the opposite political party as both Senators,
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- (iii) for consideration of vacancies in the Seventh Circuit which are appropriately considered Wisconsin seats, one member shall be the Dean of either Marquette University Law School or the University of Wisconsin Law School, or the designee of such Dean to be drawn from the faculty of his or her respective law school, with such membership to alternate between the deans with the Dean having served the longest

tenure in his or her position serving for the first such rotation occurring after the date of execution of this Charter.

Section V. Changes in Membership.

- (a) The Dean of the Marquette University Law School and the Dean of the University of Wisconsin Law School shall retain during their terms full powers to change their designee on the Commission.
- (b) When a vacancy occurs on the Commission due to the resignation, disability or death of a member, a successor shall be appointed by the original appointing authority to serve the duration of the unexpired term.

Section VI. Restriction on Members. No federal or state judge or justice or federal law enforcement official shall be a member of the Commission.

Section VII. Recommendation Process.

(a) At the request of the Senators from Wisconsin or within ten days after learning of any vacancy in a position within the jurisdiction of the Commission, the Commission shall begin seeking candidates and accepting applications to fill such a vacancy. The Commission shall:

- (1) notify the general public and such organizations as the Commission deems appropriate of the existence of such vacancy;
- (2) request that those notified submit the names of individuals believed to be highly qualified to fill such vacancy; and
- (3) establish and release publicly in an appropriate manner a mailing address to which applications and recommendations for appointment to such vacancy may be sent.

(b) Within 30 days after a request from the Senators from Wisconsin or learning of any vacancy, the Commission shall evaluate the qualifications of all candidates for appointments to fill such vacancy and by majority vote shall designate not less than for nor more than six individuals whom it considers best qualified to fill such vacancy. No candidate may be designated as qualified for appointment under this paragraph unless the Commission determines that:

- (1) the candidate possesses all the qualifications provided by law for the office involved;

(2) the candidate possesses the relevant qualities of character, experience, temperament, and professional competence necessary for service as a federal judge or United States Attorney; and,

(3) The candidate is willing to be so designated.

(c) In the event the Commission cannot complete the selection process during the allotted time, it shall convey this fact to the United States Senators who, by mutual consent, can extend the time in which the Commission must issue its recommendations but in no event shall such extension exceed 30 days.

Section VIII. Transmittal of Recommendations. After the Commission has designated not less than four nor more than six individuals as best qualified to fill a vacancy, the Commission shall immediately notify the United States Senators from Wisconsin as to the names of such individuals.

Section IX. Commission Organization and Voting Procedures.

(a) The Commission shall be co-chaired by the Deans of the Law Schools, alternating with respect to the Eastern and Western District of Wisconsin vacancies, or alternating as provided for in Section IV with respect to vacancies in the Seventh Circuit.

(b) A majority of members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum, but no candidate shall be recommended for nomination except by an affirmative vote of six or more members of the Commission. Not more than one vote may be cast for any one candidate by each commissioner.

(c) All voting shall be done by secret ballot.

Section X. Confidentiality of Commission Proceedings and Rules of Procedure.

(a) The proceedings and all information received by the Commission shall remain confidential, except that the Commission may make available to the public the names of the candidates who have submitted applications.

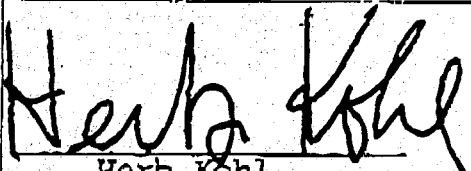
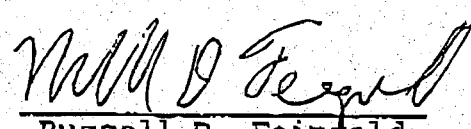
(b) The Commission may adopt additional rules of procedure by which it shall operate. Any such rules shall be made available to the public.

Section XI. Constitutional Prerogatives. Nothing contained herein is intended in any way to impair or delegate the Constitutional and statutory powers, duties or prerogatives of the President of the United States or the United States Senate.



Section XII. Amendments. This Charter is amendable by the mutual consent of the Senators from Wisconsin.

Amended charter executed on June 21, 1995.

 Herb Kohl United States Senator	 Russell D. Feingold United States Senator
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## FAX

To: Karl Rove, 202-456-0191  
 James Towey, 202-456-7387  
 David Kuo

From: Rev. Eugene F. Rivers 3d

Pages: 2

Date: 6/23/2003

Re: First National Black Church Summit on AIDS, Africa and U.S. Foreign Policy;  
 dates - TBA

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Gentlemen,

As you are all aware, Bishop Blake and the Pan-African Charismatic Evangelical Congress, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May, sent invitations to Secretary of State Colin Powell and National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice to participate in an August event at the West Angeles Cathedral. The purpose of the event was to educate the major Black Church leaders and 1000 black clergy from across the US. The related objective was to celebrate the achievements of the Bush Administration regarding Africa and to publicly communicate our support for the administration's initiatives. Additionally, Bishop Blake was going to host a VIP reception with major figures from the black entertainment community in Los Angeles. Such figures as Denzel Washington, Angela Bassett, Samuel L. Jackson, Magic Johnson, and Reginald Hudlin would be among those invited. Also, invitations were extended to Bishop T. D. Jakes, Creflo Dollar, Bishop Eddie Long, et al. This event was to be hosted by Bishop Blake at his home in Beverly Hills. It should be emphasized that we have been doing extensive outreach across denominations to make this a genuinely ecumenical initiative. We have a solid mailing list of 54,000 black churches across the US that we would utilize to publicize these events. This database comes from our work through the Pan-African Children's Fund, which is an ecumenical, humanitarian agency.

As you are all aware, Bishop Blake was the first major league Black Church leader to support and endorse the Bush administration's initiatives regarding Africa in January of 2001, in the "Pastoral letter to President Bush on Healing our Racial Divide". We were informed by Dr. Rice's office that our proposed date would not work and we are still waiting to hear from Gen.

Powell's office. This is an extremely important event for the Black Church nationally, and Bishop Blake has put his reputation and standing on the line in support of the President's faith-based initiatives. In January of 2001, we extended an invitation to the President to come to the cathedral. For understandable reasons, his schedule did not permit. Gentlemen, we are prepared to organize our summit around the availability of Gen. Powell and Dr. Rice, because we clearly recognize how extremely busy they are, for very obvious reasons. Any assistance that you could give us on getting some good dates between now and November would be deeply appreciated. On this matter, we now need **your support**.

Karl, we have put ourselves on the line, because what the President has done in the examples of Colin Powell, Condoleezza Rice, and his AIDS bill is the right thing. It is important that the administration show its support of black leaders just as it has done for Franklin Graham, Chuck Colson, James Dobson, et al.

Gene - yo man!

P.S. Karl, would like to do dinner with you and your buddy, Donna Brazile, to talk about areas of common interest. Also, I will be looking forward to working with Donna on organizing these events.

F: Karl Call

**Goergen, Barbara J.**

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**From:** Ralston, Susan B.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 15, 2003 2:37 PM  
**To:** Goergen, Barbara J.  
**Subject:** FW: Misc Specter issues

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Karl Rove [mailto:kr@georgewbush.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, July 14, 2003 5:39 PM  
**To:** Ralston, Susan B.  
**Subject:** Misc Specter issues

Add to call list

Tom Donahue at Chamber  
Jack Faris @ NFIB

either Tim Timken if he's still chair of NAM or Jerry Jasinowski if Tim is not.

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53623  
Call list  
F: James  
Robison

July 24, 2003

Karl Rove  
Via Facsimile: 202.456.0191

Dear Karl:

Anxious to hear your impression of *The Faith of George W. Bush*. I believe it will be most positive, and White House cooperation will be beneficial. The author would love to hear your comments concerning the President and his faith, as well as a few others in the Administration. As I shared, I believe I can help offset any concerns you have, as a result of the relationship I have with the author and research team. They truly admire the President and want only the best in his behalf.

Karl, I also want to re-emphasize the importance in giving consideration to some sort of effort related to Lowndes County near Selma, Alabama, as well as finding something up north—New Jersey or New York perhaps—where we can accomplish a mutual goal of involving the suburban community and church, as well as business leadership, with needs of the urban community. I will gladly assume responsibility for raising a very large part of the funds and building interest. I would encourage the same activity in every population center.

Also, I would recommend that you seriously consider having the President make a brief appearance at Tony Evans' conference, Oct. 1-3. Perhaps Oct. 3 would work best, as I know appropriations and other legislative issues are forefront, in addition to the President's fundraising activity. Tony Evans assures me they will go all out in behalf of the President. He is expecting 4,000 people, with more than 1,000 national urban leaders, and is confident they will support the President and contribute great momentum going into next year.

I'm personally looking for ways to help financially support Tony's vision, as well as involving others. Jack Graham, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, is 100% on board to get the Evangelicals involved in inner-city needs. I'm forwarding a copy of a letter Jack Graham wrote to the President. A brief handwritten thank-you from the President to Jack Graham would give you a lot of mileage. He loves the President, and he does have the influence and access to financial resources that could inspire church and community to undergird faith-based initiatives.

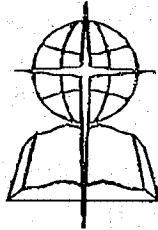
Look forward to talking at your convenience.

Sincerely,

  
James Robison

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Dr. Jack Graham



July 18, 2003

President George W. Bush  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

It was very good to see you at the meeting with the urban pastors. I pray for you and thank God for the leadership you give to our nation and world.

You said something at the National Religious Broadcaster's meeting in February that I believe has tremendous potential for changing America. That is, suburban congregations should connect with urban congregations in ministries to the community. I couldn't agree more. Prestonwood is currently involved in a "bridge-building" program that includes ministries of mercy and heart-changing hope.

Also, it is my prayer that we can unleash the "armies of compassion" across the nation, and I pledge to rally Southern Baptists to engage our culture with the message of God's love and power. James Robison, Tony Evans, and I talked extensively about this on the plane home from Washington.

Please know that I will assist you in any way possible in helping you fulfill your high calling. I am grateful to call you my president and believe in your leadership with all my heart.

Warmly,

Jack Graham

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## Leavitt's Long View

By David S. Broder

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INDIANAPOLIS -- Among the colleagues of both parties gathered here for the annual summer meeting of the National Governors Association (NGA), there is near-universal praise for President Bush's selection of Utah Gov. Michael O. Leavitt as the head of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Leavitt is very much in the tradition of fellow Republicans such as Tommy Thompson and John Engler and Democrats such as Roy Romer and Jim Hunt who put aside partisanship as leaders of the NGA and found common ground on which governors of widely diverse backgrounds and views could work together.

The Bush administration has made a hash of environmental policy, but if anyone can revive the badly eroded tradition of bipartisan support for protection of God's natural gifts to this nation, Mike Leavitt has as good credentials as could be found.

For him to succeed, White House and Office of Management and Budget staffers and those people charged with cultivating (and collecting campaign funds from) Bush's constituencies in the oil and gas, mining, forestry and agriculture industries -- to say nothing of the president and vice president themselves -- will have to give Leavitt more freedom of action than Christine Todd Whitman had during her tenure at EPA.

And the environmental organizations, some of which reflexively condemned Leavitt, will have to give him a chance to establish his bona fides. Rather than fight his confirmation, they should use his Senate hearings as an opportunity to engage him in dialogue and see what both sides can learn.

I confess that I am an unabashed Leavitt fan. For a decade, I have looked forward to interviewing him at these summer meetings of the NGA and to seeing him occasionally on his visits to Washington. He is one of the rare politicians from whom you always learn something new, because he is out in front of most public officials in identifying and thinking through emerging policy problems.

Years ago he recognized the potential of the Internet as a retail outlet and the implications of e-commerce for Main Street merchants and for states dependent on sales taxes for much of their revenue. He brought that issue to the NGA and to Congress and has kept it on the agenda.

More recently he began working through the implications for state and local government -- and individual freedom -- of the federal government's expansion of basic police powers in the interests of homeland security. Having him in the Cabinet to raise these issues with Tom Ridge and John Ashcroft will be an additional benefit of his coming to Washington.

Others can comment far better on the specifics of Leavitt's environmental record in Utah. What I can vouch for is that he consistently takes the long view of the needs of his state and nation and is almost invariably creative and constructive in seeking consensus -- as he did with Oregon's Democratic former governor, John Kitzhaber, in forming a regional environmental compact and as he did in forging a multistate pact to clean the air over the Grand Canyon.

Broder call

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And he has guts. When some of the political ideologues on the White House staff tried to break up the NGA last winter because Republicans could not dictate its agenda, Leavitt quietly organized resistance, reminding his GOP colleagues that without a bipartisan organization such as NGA, welfare reform and other measures they value never could have become law.

He will be a welcome addition to the administration -- and one who could well serve the country in a larger role in future years.

American journalism lost one of its best recently with the death at 90 of Robert J. Donovan, late of the still-missed New York Herald Tribune and of the Los Angeles Times. Bob Donovan's achievements went beyond his list of scoops and his bestseller books. When Otis Chandler decided he wanted to make the Times as good a newspaper as it was prosperous, he asked Donovan to take over its Washington news bureau, and Bob made it what it remains today -- one of the finest in the city.

Bob gave the lie to the notion that you have to be a hard-nosed SOB to succeed in Washington journalism. He was a sweet-natured gentleman. And he was also a great actor. Prematurely white-haired, he would approach an official and, with imploring gestures, say that his paper had just ordered up a story on such and such a subject and he was in desperate need of help. Thinking "the poor old fellow" might otherwise be fired, the official would spill his guts -- and Donovan, who usually had all but one or two crucial aspects of the story well in hand before he went into his act -- would go back to his typewriter and file a story the rest of us would be scrambling all the next day to duplicate. I never met a better reporter -- or a nicer man.

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## For Governors, Energy Upstages Economy

By Dan Balz and David S. Broder  
Washington Post Staff Writers  
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INDIANAPOLIS, Aug. 16 -- A cross section of governors brought their concerns over energy outages, strained budgets and politics to this sweltering city today for the annual summer meeting of the National Governors Association (NGA).

Only 30 of the 50 state executives checked in for the four-day meeting, but they carried a load of problems and concerns with them. Many of the absentees pleaded scarce official travel funds for staying home, and the most notable absentee, California Gov. Gray Davis (D), had the additional excuse of the recall election that threatens to end his tenure.

Fellow Democrats condemned the Republican-backed campaign to force Davis out of office as early as October, and they met behind closed doors to discuss how much money their committee might contribute to a get-out-the-vote campaign on his behalf. Republicans, after a separate caucus, said they would not put any funds into the effort to remove Davis, but welcomed Arnold Schwarzenegger and the other GOP candidates vying to replace him.

NGA chairman Paul Patton (D) of Kentucky said he did not know of any governors who stayed home because of the massive northeastern power outage on Thursday, but the multistate outage became a topic at today's session.

Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne (R), who will succeed Patton as chairman on Tuesday, told the opening news conference that the blackout showed that "energy is not just a western problem, but one that affects the East as well."

He said governors in his region had found bipartisan agreement on the need to expand the Bonneville power grid, which supplies energy from Columbia River dams, and suggested that similar upgradings of transmission lines might solve the problem elsewhere.

But Iowa Gov. Tom Vilsack (D) cautioned that the Bush administration might use the week's crisis to revive its bid for greater federal control over siting and management of transmission lines. Vilsack said any such move -- part of a White House proposal long stymied in Congress -- might jeopardize regional compacts such as Kempthorne described. He said the governors of the Upper Midwest were on their way to a similar agreement.

A definitive recommendation from the NGA on energy policy is unlikely at this meeting, Patton said, noting that "different states have competing interests" that make it difficult for a consensus-governed organization to reach agreement.

The governors are unanimous on another Washington issue, favoring the House version of Medicare reform over the Senate's because the House would provide prescription coverage for low-income seniors who are eligible for both Medicaid and Medicare. These "dual-eligibles" consume a large portion of the Medicaid budget, to which states must contribute, and having Medicare provide for them would be a major relief to strained state budgets.

At a news conference preceding a caucus of Democratic governors, Vilsack and Washington Gov. Gary Locke (D) complained that the Bush administration's program of "tax cuts for the wealthy" has failed to provide enough economic growth to reverse the loss of 3 million jobs since the president took office. Vilsack challenged Bush to cut short his Texas ranch vacation and "get to work getting America back to work."

Colorado Gov. Bill Owens, chairman of the Republican Governors Association, disagreed with the Democrats' assessment. Citing stock market and productivity gains, he said there is evidence "that the national economy is coming back aggressively."

The California recall assumed center stage among the Democratic governors, who now have to find resources to help Davis while continuing to fund competitive gubernatorial races in Kentucky, Mississippi and Louisiana this fall.

The Democratic governors argued that changing governors in California will do nothing to affect the structural problems that have contributed to the state's \$38 billion deficit.

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PRESIDENTIAL SPEECHWRITING FORM

TODAY'S DATE: 8/19/2003

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TO: Michael J. Gerson  
Assistant to the President and Director of Presidential  
Speechwriting

FROM: Karl Rove  
Assistant to the President and Senior Advisor

DATE AND TIME OF EVENT: Tuesday, August 26, 2003 / 3:15 p.m.

LENGTH AND TYPE OF REMARKS: Remarks 20 minutes

TOPIC OF REMARKS: Update on Operation Iraqi Freedom  
Update on Department of Veterans Affairs work on behalf of  
Veterans  
Acknowledgement of American Legion's participation in USA  
Freedom Corps "On the Homefront" initiative

POINT IN PROGRAM WHEN THE PRESIDENT WILL SPEAK: The President is announced on-stage  
The President is introduced by Ron Conley, American Legion  
National Commander  
The President makes remarks

PERSON WHO WILL INTRODUCE THE PRESIDENT: Ron Conley, American Legion National Commander

OTHERS THE PRESIDENT SHOULD ACKNOWLEDGE IN HIS OPENING REMARKS: Members of Congress TBD  
Other elected officials TBD  
Spirit of Service Award Recipients [see attached information]  
40 military recruits who took the oath of enlistment at the  
convention prior to the President's arrival  
Scott Air Force Band  
American Legion and Ladies Auxiliary leadership  
American Legion and Ladies Auxiliary members

SIZE AND TYPE OF AUDIENCE: 6000 American Legion and Ladies Auxiliary members

BACKGROUND ON THE EVENT: The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 as a  
patriotic, mutual-help, war-time veterans organization. The Legion is a  
community-service organization with nearly 3 million members, men  
and women, in nearly 15,000 American Legion Posts worldwide.  
These Posts are organized into 55 Departments -- one each for the 50  
states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, France, Mexico, and the  
Philippines.

The American Legion has supported the military during Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The American Legion supports benefits for military retirees to receive both disability benefits and retirement benefits (concurrent receipt) and mandatory funding for VA healthcare.

The American Legion is the lead organization behind The Citizen's Flag Alliance, a group of individuals and organizations supporting passage of an amendment to the United States Constitution protecting the U.S. Flag from physical desecration.

The President previously addressed the 2000 and 2001 American Legion conventions.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Background on current veterans' issues  
Background on "On the Homefront"  
Background on Spirit of Service award winners

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On March 25, 2003, the USA Freedom Corps, in partnership with the Department of Defense, launched "On the Homefront" to connect Americans with specific ways to support our troops, their families, and their communities. As American military men and women continue to serve thousands of miles from home, their families are left with a variety of needs ranging from childcare to home repairs to financial assistance.

The American Legion participation in "On the Homefront" includes providing a 24-hour nationwide toll-free telephone number, 1-800-504-4098, for service personnel and their family members to call for immediate assistance through its Family Support Network. Since March 22, The American Legion has filled 318 requests for assistance through the Family Support Network's toll-free hotline, website, and email address. Requests have ranged from agency referrals, financial support, and assistance with everyday chores such as childcare, mowing the grass, and fixing the family car.

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# DAVID M. ROEDERER BACKGROUNDER *calls*

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## *Background*

- Managing Partner of Stratavizion Consulting Group, Inc. and Plepla and Associates, also a consulting firm; July 2000-present.
- Executive Director of the, an association of the Chambers of Commerce in Iowa's 16 largest communities; present.
- Chief of staff for Gov. Terry Branstad; 1991-1995. Branstad Campaign Manager; 1990-1991. Assistant to Governor and legislative liaison; 1984-1988.
- Director, Iowa Department of Commerce; 1988-1990.
- Director, Iowa Criminal and Juvenile Justice Agency; 1982-1984.
- Planning, Project Development and Management Consultant for Sanders Associates, NH, based out of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; 1979-1982.
  - **Sanders Associates, A Defense Electronics Developer/Manufacturer, Was Acquired By Lockheed In 1986.** "Lockheed's 1986 revenues were bolstered by the acquisition of Sanders Associates in August 1986. ... Sanders is considered a leading developer and manufacturer of airborne electronic countermeasures systems. Its largest program ... is the ALQ-126B that is used on Navy and foreign F/A-18 aircraft. Sanders also provides electronic support measures equipment for the Navy, automatic test equipment for the Air Force, and infrared countermeasures systems for installation on helicopters. The New Hampshire-based operation continues to support the ALQ-137, deployed on F-111 aircraft." (Byron K. Callan, "The Defense Electronics 100," *Defense Electronics*, 12/87)
  - **In 1979, Sanders Associates Signed A \$51 Million Contract To Provide Technical Services For Highway Patrol Facilities In Saudi Arabia.** "Jack L. Bowers, president of Sanders Associates /NYSE/ today announced that Sanders and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia have agreed to reduce the scope of a \$51 million technical services contract initiated in July of 1979. Under the reduced scope of work which is currently being negotiated in the amount of approximately \$23 million, Sanders' effort will include the completion of study and design of highway patrol facilities and procedures which has been underway since July of 1979. The reduced scope of work will be completed during 1982." (Sanders Associates, Press Release, 6/9/81)

## *Items Of Note*

- **In 2001, Roederer Criticized The Iowa State Government's Economic Development History And Suggested That More Resources Should Be Directed At Urban Areas.** "While the organization's [Iowa Chamber Alliance] mission is to promote a 'progressive pro-growth quality for the state,' Roederer said what that boils down to is a new, focused approach to economic development. He said the state has long held a '99 or none philosophy.' In essence, if an economic development plan doesn't fit all of Iowa's 99 counties, it isn't right for Iowa, Roederer

said. 'Historically, we have looked at geography more than population,' he said. The Chamber Alliance's viewpoint is that the state should consider going with what works. And that line of logic translates into directing more resources to urban areas of the state where job creation is proven. Roederer claims that urban and surrounding rural areas would benefit from the approach. 'Do we have certain areas that are growing and will continue to grow? Then maybe we should be putting more emphasis in those areas so the other areas around that are going to grow,' he said. ... The Chamber Alliance leader, who has had a long history with Iowa government, including a stint as former Gov. Terry Branstad's chief of staff and as director of the Iowa Department of Commerce, said the state for many years has not made the hard decisions on economic development. He also said that state economic leaders know how to bring a company to a community. But when it comes to generating something brand new with new wealth, he said the state is 'just going to have a heck of a time to try to sift through that.' ... But while Roederer was critical of the state's vision of economic development, he had nothing but high praise for Dubuque's efforts, giving the city an 'A' in economic development." (M. D. Kittle, "Group: Focus Development On Urban Areas," *Telegraph Herald* [Dubuque, IA], 8/24/01)

- **Through Plepla And Associates, Roederer Consulted For An Iowa Jail Committee Trying To Bring Unsafe Jails Up To Code.** "A National Institute of Corrections consultant from Minnesota filed a report that the Lyon County Jail failed to meet building or life-safety codes, had no security perimeter and had inadequate recreation areas. Consultant Gary Waller also declared the jails in Sioux and Plymouth counties dangerously unsafe. ... Lyon County commissioners have approved setting a \$3.57 million bond election for a new jail for Dec. 5. Jail tours and public forums are set in November to educate county residents about the project. ... The criminal-justice planning firm Plepla and Associates and PCS and Associates, both in Des Moines, Iowa, are assisting the jail committee. David Roederer of Plepla and Associates, said a new 25-bed jail could be expanded to 31 beds, with a 7 percent inmate growth rate. Seven cells would be available to rent to other counties." (Melanie Brandert, "Tiny Iowa Jails Ask Voters For Help," *Argus Leader* [Sioux Falls, SD], 10/25/00)
- **Roederer Supported Lamar Alexander In The 2000 Presidential Primary.** "If all the Republicans show up at the caucus, George Bush is going to win by a huge plurality," said veteran Iowa GOP operative Dave Roederer, who backed Lamar Alexander's furtive 2000 campaign." (James A. Barnes, "Is That A Big-Mo Sighting In Iowa?" *The National Journal*, 1/15/00)
- **In 1999, Roederer Worked On A Successful Campaign To Raise IA Sales Tax To Fund School Improvements.** "Voters had narrowly turned down a proposal to increase the sales tax to pay for school repairs and new construction. Schools were being closed in Des Moines. Classroom space was at a premium in some suburban school districts. School officials countywide were in a quandary about how -and when -to put the sales-tax question before voters again. Rather than sit idly by, [businessman, powerful Iowa political figure and education leader Marvin] Pomerantz did what comes naturally: He took control. ... A top-notch political team was assembled, a group that Pomerantz says 'has not known defeat.' The team included two of former Gov. Terry Branstad's chiefs of staff, Doug Gross and David Roederer, and an activist in the Democratic Party, Paulee Lipsman. ... Pomerantz was breathing a sigh of relief as the election results showed the sales-tax proposal had been approved, 56 percent to 44 percent." (Kathy A. Bolten, "Pomerantz Marshaled Troops, Tax Backers Say," *Des Moines Register*, 11/28/99)
- **During The 1988 Presidential Race, Roederer Suggested That Then-Vice President George H. W. Bush Was A "Weak" Candidate.** "Likely Republican presidential nominee George Bush faces a 'political dust bowl' in the Midwest that is worsening with this year's drought, some

Democratic and GOP observers say. . . . Republican politicians have been nervous about the impact Bush will have on other races, and their confidence wasn't helped by a poll in Sunday's *Des Moines Register* showing him trailing likely Democratic nominee Michael Dukakis by a 60 percent to 28 percent margin. . . . [R]eflecting the GOP nervousness was David Roederer, a political aide to Republican Gov. Terry Branstad. 'If you have weak candidates at the presidential level, it's bound to hurt,' Roederer said. 'We're a long way from writing the final chapter but this doesn't help.'" (Mike Glover, "Dry Weather Adds To Bush's Midwest Woes," *The Associated Press*, 6/22/88)

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- **No Contributions To Democrats.**



## David M. Roederer

David Roederer is a small business owner serving the managing partner of *StrataVizion* Consulting Group, Inc. and *Plepla and Associates*, two consulting firms specializing in strategic planning, project development and management, visioning, policy development, legislation, criminal and juvenile justice, economic development, consensus building and construction management. Most recently he served as the Economic Development Coordinator for Iowa State University. He has held various positions in State Government and the private sector. These included the IA Department of Public Safety, Director of the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Agency and the Director of the IA Department of Commerce. He has worked with 16 various public and private boards and commissions. He previously has served as Governor Terry Branstad's Chief of Staff and Legislative Liaison. Mr. Roederer spent 2 1/2 years working in the Country of Saudi Arabia for a Lockheed Martin company designing a national law enforcement agency.

Roederer currently servers as the Executive Director of the Iowa Chamber Alliance working with Chambers of Commerce throughout Iowa.

Roederer conducts strategic planning, visioning, policy development and facilitation for both public and private groups, organizations and businesses. He has made presentations to private and public national groups concerning various public policy issues. He also is a guest lecturer in the areas of political science, public administration and economic development. Mr. Roederer serves on various boards, committees and task forces ranging form statewide strategic planning to developing national centers.

Roederer has served in numerous capacities in successful political campaigns for city council, county supervisor, state legislature, governor, congress, senate and president.

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**July 2000-Present**

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### **IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Economic Development Coordinator**

**1995-June 2000**

### **SCHOOLS FIRST COMMITTEE**

**Campaign Manager**

**Referendum for Polk County Schools**

**June-November 1999**

### **IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Interim Director and President**

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<b>SANDERS ASSOCIATES, NH</b> Planning, Project Development and Management Consultant (Resided in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia)	1979-1982
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F. Karl's calls  
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**Goergen, Barbara J.**

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**From:** West, Christal R.  
**Sent:** Friday, August 29, 2003 9:35 AM  
**To:** Goergen, Barbara J.; Keniry, Daniel  
**Subject:** FW: domenici

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Ojakli, Ziad  
**Sent:** Friday, August 29, 2003 9:34 AM  
**To:** West, Christal R.  
**Subject:** Re: domenici

Most likely the topic du jour-- the energy bill, but he may have some nm political issue to talk about.

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**From:** West, Christal R. <Christal\_R.West@who.eop.gov>  
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**Sent:** Fri Aug 29 08:52:07 2003  
**Subject:** domenici

he called yesterday for karl and karl will call him back this morning.

any idea what it might be about?

thanks  
cw

**FRED UPTON**  
6TH DISTRICT, MICHIGAN

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Comments: This is a follow up to your conversation  
with Fred regarding the 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of  
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Fred's response that was sent on Friday.

**FRED UPTON**

6TH DISTRICT, MICHIGAN

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July 25, 2003

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Senator Carl Levin  
269 Russell Senate Office Building  
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Senator Debbie Stabenow  
702 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Levin and Stabenow,

I am responding to your letter sent last week suggesting a bipartisan commission to resolve the impasse on Michigan federal court vacancies. I believe that is a fatally flawed idea that should be dismissed. Instead of moving us closer toward our goal, it would further complicate and drag out a situation that is best resolved in the historic and appropriate manner intended by the framers of the Constitution.

I urge you to withdraw your opposition and allow four Michigan judges nominated by President Bush for the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals the right to hearings before the Senate Judiciary Committee. A bipartisan gesture would be to allow these four individuals the fair hearing they so deserve. As the Detroit News editorialized on July 23<sup>rd</sup>, "All presidential nominees are entitled to a hearing and a vote."

These four accomplished jurists, Honorable Richard Allen Griffin, Honorable David McKeague, Honorable Susan Bieke-Neilson and Honorable Henry William Saad, have served the State of Michigan with integrity, receiving positive recognition from their peers in the legal community and the American Bar Association.

The President has nominated these four judges based on their qualifications and they have the right to a fair consideration and a vote. The President selected these nominees more than a year ago, yet the Sixth Circuit remains critically understaffed. If these seats—traditionally held by judges representing the citizens of Michigan—remain vacant much longer, President Bush may be forced to fill the vacancies with judges from states other than Michigan within the Sixth Circuit.

There is historical precedent of bipartisanship. Senator Abraham supported and even chaired the confirmation hearing for Eric Clay, President Clinton's first nominee for the Court of Appeals. With Abraham's strong support, Judge Clay was the first Clinton court of appeals nominee to get a hearing in the 105<sup>th</sup> Congress and the second to be confirmed by the Senate. Of the 16 judgeships on the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals, Judge Clay is the only Michigander.

The Honorable Carl Levin

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The bipartisanship continued with Senator Abraham supporting Clinton district court nominees Arthur Tarnow, George Steeh, Victoria Roberts, Marianne Battani and David Lawson. These five judges, all with Senator Abraham's support, are now judges.

We are in grave jeopardy of losing Michigan's voice on the Sixth Circuit. Four seats hang in the balance, and it would be an injustice for the people of Michigan to lose their representation in the judicial process.

As elected officials, we should work together to promote a justice system that is timely, fair, and ensures Michigan residents are represented by Michigan judges. I urge you to remove your opposition to these judicial nominees and allow these judges their constitutional right to hearings.

I have discussed this issue with most of the GOP delegation and they are in accord.

Very truly yours,

  
Fred Upton  
Member of Congress

CC: Rep. Dave Camp  
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# United States Senate

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July 18, 2003

Congressman Fred Upton  
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Dear Fred:

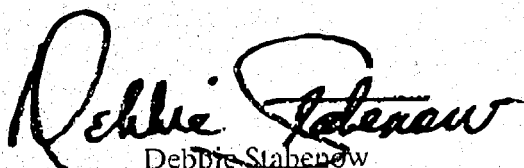
As you know, the situation surrounding Michigan vacancies on the federal courts has reached an impasse. We believe the only way it can be fairly resolved is through bipartisan cooperation.

As the senior Republican member in Michigan's congressional delegation, we invite you to join us in establishing a bipartisan judicial nominating commission to recommend to the President potential nominees for Michigan vacancies on the federal courts. We believe that a bipartisan judicial nominating commission with members chosen from the Michigan Bar and the state's academic and legal communities presents an opportunity to fairly resolve the situation.

Commissions have been successful in other states. Recently, House Judiciary Committee Chairman Republican James Sensenbrenner joined Wisconsin's two Democratic Senators, Senators Russell Feingold and Herb Kohl in announcing the adoption of a Federal Nominating Commission to recommend nominees to the federal courts in their state. We have enclosed a copy of the Wisconsin Commission's Charter for your review. We believe that the bipartisan Wisconsin Commission approach could be profitably considered for Michigan and it is our hope that it could form the basis for discussions between us.

We will contact you next week to see if you are interested in pursuing this matter with us. We hope that you will join us in this effort and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Debbie Stabenow

  
Carl Levin

Enclosure

## WISCONSIN FEDERAL NOMINATING COMMISSION CHARTER

United States Senator Herb Kohl and United States Senator Russell Feingold, do hereby establish the Wisconsin Federal Nominating Commission to advise the Senators from Wisconsin on selecting qualified individuals to fill vacancies on the United States District Courts in Wisconsin, certain vacancies on the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and for United States Attorneys in Wisconsin.

Section I. Purposes. The Wisconsin Federal Nominating Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") is established in order to:

- (a) assist the United States Senators from Wisconsin in faithfully fulfilling their constitutional and statutory obligation to provide advice and consent to the President in appointing federal judges and U.S. Attorneys;
- (b) help insure that qualified, conscientious and dedicated individuals be appointed to serve the public as judicial officers; and
- (c) protect and preserve the independence and integrity of the judicial branch of government and help insure the fair and equal administration and enforcement of justice under the laws of the United States.

Section II. Functions of the Commission. The Commission shall advise the United States Senators from Wisconsin on the nomination of individuals to fill the following vacancies as they occur:

- (a) The United States District Court for the Eastern District and the Western District of Wisconsin, or such other districts as may be established in Wisconsin;
- (b) The United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, which are appropriately considered Wisconsin seats;
- (c) United States Attorneys for the Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin or such other districts as may be established in Wisconsin.

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- (a) affirmatively seek out qualified candidates, including women and minority candidates, for appointment to each such vacancy;



- (b) consider all applications from individuals interested in appointment to each such vacancy; and
- (c) recommend the nomination of not less than four nor more than six individuals who are the most qualified of those considered to serve.

Section IV. Appointment of Members.

- (a) The Commission shall consist of eleven members, who except as otherwise provided herein, shall serve two year terms and shall each be residents of the State of Wisconsin, reflecting the diversity of the population and the respective judicial districts of the state.
- (b) When both Senators are of the same political party as the President of the United States,
  - (1) Four members shall be appointed by each Senator;
  - (2) Two members shall be appointed by the State Bar of Wisconsin; and
  - (3)(i) for consideration of vacancies in the Eastern District of Wisconsin, one member shall be the Dean of the Marquette University Law School, or the designee of the Dean to be drawn from the faculty of the law school;
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  - (iii) for consideration of vacancies in the Seventh Circuit which are appropriately considered Wisconsin seats, one member shall be the Dean of either Marquette University Law School or the University of Wisconsin Law School, or the designee of such Dean to be drawn from the faculty of his or her respective law school, with such membership to alternate between the deans with the Dean having served the longest tenure in his or her position serving for the first such rotation occurring after the date of execution of this Charter.
- (c) When the President of the United States and only one Senator belong to the same political party,
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Section VI. Restriction on Members. No federal or state judge or justice or federal law enforcement official shall be a member of the Commission.

Section VII. Recommendation Process.

(a) At the request of the Senators from Wisconsin or within ten days after learning of any vacancy in a position within the jurisdiction of the Commission, the Commission shall begin seeking candidates and accepting applications to fill such a vacancy. The Commission shall:

(1) notify the general public and such organizations as the Commission deems appropriate of the existence of such vacancy;

(2) request that those notified submit the names of individuals believed to be highly qualified to fill such vacancy; and

(3) establish and release publicly in an appropriate manner a mailing address to which applications and recommendations for appointment to such vacancy may be sent.

(b) Within 30 days after a request from the Senators from Wisconsin or learning of any vacancy, the Commission shall evaluate the qualifications of all candidates for appointments to fill such vacancy and by majority vote shall designate not less than for nor more than six individuals whom it considers best qualified to fill such vacancy. No candidate may be designated as qualified for appointment under this paragraph unless the Commission determines that:

(1) the candidate possesses all the qualifications provided by law for the office involved;

(2) the candidate possesses the relevant qualities of character, experience, temperament, and professional competence necessary for service as a federal judge or United States Attorney; and,

(3) The candidate is willing to be so designated.

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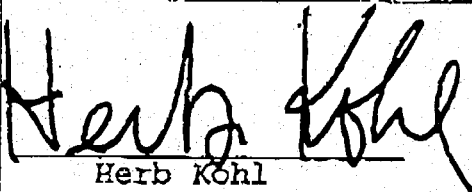
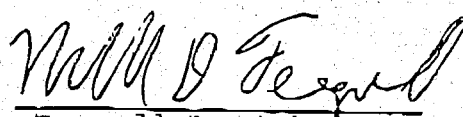
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Section XII. Amendments. This Charter is amendable by the mutual consent of the Senators from Wisconsin.

Amended charter executed on June 21, 1995.

 Herb Kohl United States Senator	 Russell D. Feingold United States Senator
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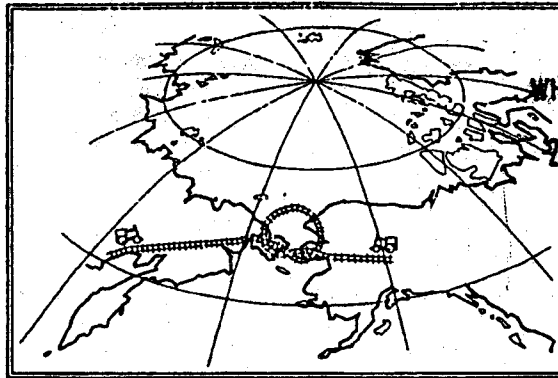
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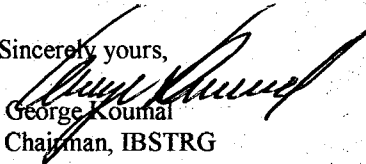
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for another 4 years. (it's the Economy, stupid) I do not think that the President wants to take such a risk and most importantly, I know that the Nation would loose if this President would be denied his second term in office.

The slogan ....**for those who have the God's gift to create Wealth with their hands**, explaining the reasons for constructing the Bering Strait Project and diversifying the Economy can be a powerful election tool. Similarly, just the news about discussion of the Project with governments of Russia and Canada would be a positive force to take the wind out of the opposition's sails. Finally, the Project would help the young Democracy in Russia to survive and prosper. With Russia as our Western friend and ally, the War on Terror will be mush easier to fight.

IBSTRG needs and deserves our Government help. Recently published in England is a document, Bering Strait Project-Collected Papers 1992-2002 (available on Internet, please contact [info@thecompanyofwriters.com](mailto:info@thecompanyofwriters.com)), which records IBSTRG work effort during the last decade. We are preparing November 2003 meeting in Alaska and Seminar/Conference on the Project in March 2004 in Moscow. We plan to invite representatives of our Government to both of the gatherings. Mr. Rove, what we are doing is good for America and the World. As I pointed out in one of the enclosed letters, we have started the 20<sup>th</sup> Century with the Panama Canal construction and the Century got the name American. With the Bering Strait Project construction, the 21<sup>st</sup> Century will be able to keep the same name.

Sincerely yours,

  
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Chairman, IBSTRG

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Tucson, July 21, 2003

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And

**The Honorable Don Young**  
US House of Representatives  
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Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Sirs,

My intention was to address this letter to Senator Patty Murray, Chairwoman of Senate Appropriation Subcommittee on Transportation. However, learning that she is from Seattle, I changed my mind. The letter is about a Project involving the State of Alaska and ever since the time when W.H Seward, the Secretary of State in President Lincoln Administration bought Alaska from Russia, (at 7.4 Million US Dollars it was the best real estate deal of the millennium) city and harbor of Seattle takes advantage of the fact that with no all weather all seasons high capacity overland transport connection to Alaska (railroad), all supplies to the State must go by sea. Seattle, being the most northern harbor on the US West Coast, gets most if not all of the Alaska shipping business. Since the Project we are proposing would put an end to Seattle importance as Alaska supply base, I could not help but to suspect, that The Honorable Patty Murray parochial interest may override her objectivity and she may not look too kindly on what we are proposing to do. I am most likely wrong, suspecting Senator Murray in such a way but to be on the safe side, mailing this letter to Senator from my home State and to Congressman from Alaska seems as the right thing to do. You both have been informed about our Project in the past and with this letter, I would like to address the impact the realization of the Project would have on current situation in our country and in the World and also to suggest some reasons behind my belief that this Project deserves our Government support.

-The Industrial Revolution of the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries established the economic foundation on which the prosperity and social peace of the American nation of some 170 million people during that time was based. The same economic foundation, with its huge industrial and agricultural infrastructure was instrumental to our victory in WW2 and in the Cold War. It is high time that we enlarge this National economic foundation for a nation of 270 million people and growing. This can not be done in the Service sector of the Economy through increasing production of computer chips, cellular telephones, video games or by selling to each other hamburgers and hot dogs. Nor it can be done through manufacturing M-1 tanks, war ships and precision guided bombs and missiles. It can only be done by reinvigoration of the entire manufacturing sector of our economy. **Our Project would help to do just that.** Through the Project realization, millions of meaningful jobs would be created, something the proposed tax break alone will never do. An integral part of our Project is modern railroad and clearly indisputable lesson of history is that where ever the Railroad goes, Wealth follows. The entire Economic Pie of the World, on which so many people are making just claims, will be enlarged to satisfy those who have not without taking anything from those who have.

-There is no question that the World wide Democracy is Humanity's ultimate salvation. However, Democracy can not be imposed with the sword, regardless how sharp the sword is, how good the steel which was used to forge it and how strong is the arm holding it. Even the sharpest sword gets dull with frequent use and even the strongest arm gets tired. Rather than trying to implant the seeds of Democracy in obviously barren lands, we should do what ever we can to help establish Democracy in a nation where people themselves took the initial steps and planted the Democracy seeds themselves. Such planting took place in Russia. The entire World would feel the impact as the roots of Democracy will grow deep and wide in Russia, our neighbor to the West across the Bering Strait and a country spanning eleven time zones between us and our European allies. Lets stretch our right hand shouldered on Alaska to our neighbors to the West and keep our left hand stretched to the East across the Atlantic in friendly handshake with our European friends. God knows, some of them need someone to hold their hand. World would be much safer place and **our Project realization would make it possible.** As a bonus, the whole Pacific Basin would live up to its name.

-It is without any question that the War on Terror will be part of our future for many years to come. In many ways, the radical Islam is more dangerous enemy than the menace of Communism ever was. There were precious few Communists fanatics and these few draw the line when dyeing for the Communist causes was an issue. There are millions of fanatic Muslim radicals, perfectly willing to become Kamikadze and die for the cause. In this War, the civilized World will need all the help from who ever is willing to give it. To defeat Islamic Terror, the entire World will have to cooperate. Today the Israel, the Americans, Westerners and Christians in general are at the cross hair of the Terrorists, tomorrow it will be Chinese people, people of India, Africa and simply everyone who have different beliefs that those of Radical Islam. The army of Democracy reinforced by Russia will make the outcome of the war on Terror more certain, much shorter and with lesser casualties. Despite the fact that Russia was squarely on our side in two World Wars during the last Century and gave America its helping hand in the War of 1812, as the result of the Cold War, friendship and close alliance with Russia is seemingly strange and new concept, looked upon with doubt and suspicion by many people in Washington. To be fair, Moscow is also full of Cold War warriors to whom the post WW2 conflict, with the West in general and with the US in particular, was the highlight of their personal and professional life. They also see the friendship and alliance with the West with suspicion and concern. All these doubts and suspicions must be overcome, because the Russians, the Americans and free people everywhere in the World have now much more in common than what divides them. **Our Project would help to usher in the this new relationship between Russia and America and between Russia and the West.**

The enclosed document, recently published in London, describes well the Project we are proposing and all the reasoning behind it. It also records our efforts over the years to bring this Project closer to reality. While we are convinced that capital needed to build the Project will be found from private sources, initial help from Government involved would be much appreciated. Our Organization, the Interhemispheric Bering Strait Tunnel and Railway Group (IBSTRG) is non-profit entity incorporated in the State of Alaska. All are financial resources are those of our

individual members and they are stretched to the limits. One would think that the US Government could spare some money to advance the interest of this project with such potential to benefit the American people and indeed make the entire World a little better place to live. With funds available for grants to study homosexual behavior among Navajo Indian men and to finance research into diminishing sexual appetite among older men ( no research really required since this problem was made clear about 5 thousands years ago and repeatedly ever since), one would think that our Government could find a few million dollars to help us to advance this noble Project. There is precedence for our Government involvement in great Engineering projects. Projects largely responsible for America's greatness, its power and wealth, prosperity of our people and our nation grace. During the 19<sup>th</sup> century, just preceding the Industrial Revolution, conservative politicians, such as Henry Clay and John C. Calhoun, drawing on earlier ideas of Alexander Hamilton, strove to bind the new US Republic together " with perfect system of roads and canals." Successive US Government followed this wise policy and project such as transcontinental railroads, Panama Canal, the Interstate Highway system and TVA projects followed. All these project were incentive for Private enterprise to follow and create Real and Primary wealth to benefit many people and the nation as whole. **Our Project realization would do the same but on much larger scale.** Please read the enclosed document, I am positive that it will help to convince you that giving little money to IBSTRG would not be a waste.

Sincerely yours,

George Koumal  
Chairman, IBSTRG

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Attn.: Mr. Michael B.

Dear Sir,

I got the address of your Organization from your web site and your last name was identified only by letter B. I apologize for using your last name initial only and I hope that the letter and the enclosed document will find its way to your hands.

What caught my eyes attention on the web site were the words **T r a n s p o r t a t i o n** and **D e v e l o p m e n t**. The Project I am about to describe for you is all about Development of Transportation. It is an old Project, first suggested by Colorado Territory Governor Mr. William Gilpin in 1849. The Project was very seriously considered in 1905-06 period, when under the leadership of Baron Loicq de Lobel a company was incorporated in the State of New Jersey with capital of more than \$ 6 million (lots of money at that time) to pursue this Project. The Project was put on ice due to the political situation in Europe and the World, until our Group started to work on the Project in 1986 when the end of the Cold War was in sight. Our Organization logo at the top of this page captures quite accurately the concept of the Project: realization of the Project would connect railroad systems of 4 continents (North and South America, Asia, Europe and Africa) via tunnel under the Bering Strait. Description of the Project as well as the philosophy behind it is described in enclosed document. The document is a written record of my speech to the September 2002 conference of the American - Russian Ad Hoc Working Group held in Anchorage, Alaska. This Group was established during early Clinton administration and was led by Vice President Gore and Russian Prime Minister Chermomyrdin.

I realize that most of your concerns and your Organization activities are connected to Highway transport and building of railroads may not even be on your radar screen. However, it is indisputable Historical fact that railroads leave in its wake Wealth, the very Wealth on which the very existence of other modes of transport, trucking included, depends. Developing railroads is synonymous with development of industry, agriculture and commerce. In turn, the Industry, agriculture and commerce requires services of highway transport for distribution of materials and products outside of areas serviced directly by the railroad. With railroad as primary transport

in a region or territory, highway construction follows and with it comes the Trucking industry. It seems that we have much in common. Our railroad will establish primary long distance transport and commerce artery in Northern latitudes where East-West and West - East distances are shorted, as any airline pilot would testify. It will also open up for industrial and commercial development more than 4 million square miles of territory (an area slightly larger than Canada) in North America and Asia (Russia), so far out of reach to benefit mankind. Territory rich in minerals and hydrocarbons, forests and some agricultural land as well. Development of these resources will enlarge the Economic pie of the World, pie on which more and more people are making just claims. With Wealth of the North enlarged, the North can come to rescue the less fortunate nations of the South. Civility and tranquility in the World depends on such rescue: the North has the choice either to help to enlarge the Economic pie of the World or it will have to defend the Wealth it has with armed might. Rescue seems to be much more appealing remedy than the 19<sup>th</sup> century gun barrel methods. Methods we can not actually afford to use due to catastrophic power of the modern military weapons. Why not build our railroad and develop the World resources to satisfy the development needs of all nations. Millions of jobs will be created in this country, trucking industry included, and the World at large. With humanity's hopes for better tomorrow restored, the current menace of Terror will be the thing of the past. The Project will resurrect creation of Real and Primary Wealth in America. Saying "Go West Young Man" will again have the old meaning. The US economic mainstream will get enlarged to accommodate those with the highest level of education and skills but also those with the God's gift to create Wealth with their hands. We have neglected the later for far too long in this country. Doing so, we have nearly become a nation of Lawyers, MBA's, Computer Gurus and Salesmen on one hand and hamburger flippers and dish washers on the other. This trend must be reversed and realization of our Project would do it. The Transportation Trades will be booming as never before.

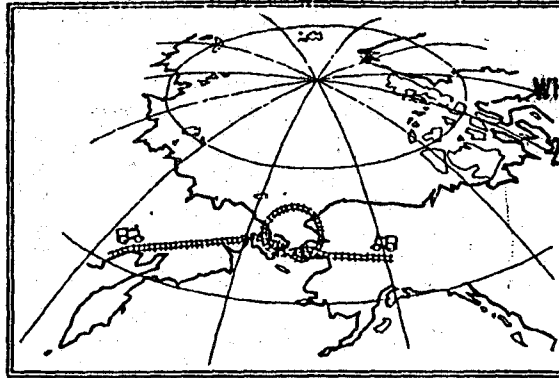
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One of my hopes in writing this letter is that your Organization leadership may consider our Project worthy of their support. Our Organization is non-profit entity incorporated in the State of Alaska. Organizational life time membership fee is \$750. With AFL-CIO on board, we would be able to intensify our effort and work to bring this timely Project closer to reality.

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Comments: Please decline on this behalf. If appropriate, someone from OPL can meet w/ them.  
Your call.



## MEMORANDUM

Date: September 4, 2003

To: Mr. Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
Fax#: (202) 456-0191

From: National Hispanic Student Leaders Conference

Subject: Renewal of Meeting Request

This is to renew our earlier requests for a meeting with you. We are prepared to travel to Washington to meet with you at your earliest convenience. Our previous requests are attached.

Please contact Diane Untiedt or Gwen Alviani at (202) 955-6062 to arrange a time to meet with us.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Renzo Rodriguez  
President, Alpha Kappa Chapter  
Florida International University

James Cueva, Esq.  
University of Miami

Dennis Ladogana  
University of Central Florida

Michael Deliz  
University of Central Florida

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MEMORANDUM

Date: August 25, 2003

To: Mr. Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
Fax#: (202) 456-0191

From: National Hispanic Student Leaders Conference

Subject Follow-up to Meeting Request

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This memorandum is a follow up to our meeting request of August 20, 2003.

Please find attached a list of Hispanic Student Leaders who will be in Washington on Thursday, August 28, 2003. It would be helpful if you would be able to find time on your schedule that day to meet with us.

As you can see, these are among the most elite student leaders in the Hispanic community, and are clearly leaders of tomorrow. We are looking forward to meeting with you and would like to hear back from your office today regarding the possibility of meeting with you on Thursday. Please contact Diane Untiedt or Gwen Alviani at (202) 955-6062 to arrange a time to meet with us.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request.

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 President, Alpha Kappa Chapter  
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**NATIONAL HISPANIC STUDENT LEADERS CONFERENCE**

August 20, 2003

**Via Facsimile (202) 456-0191**

Mr. Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Rove,

On behalf of the Lambda Theta Phi Fraternity – this nation's oldest and largest Hispanic Fraternity – we respectfully request a meeting for a group of our student leaders with you to express our strong opposition to the Univision/HBC merger and the very closed government process surrounding it. Although led by Florida International University (Miami) and the University of Miami, we will be a national delegation.

We would like to meet with you before the Administration makes its decision on this merger and plan to be in Washington on Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. However, we will travel on any date to Texas or wherever your duties take you to accommodate your schedule.

It is important that we convey to you face to face the impact of the Univision/HBC merger on all segments of the Hispanic population. Our community is alarmed at widespread media reports about the parties to the merger and their efforts to win Administration approval without a public review. It is clear that this is not an issue that will simply go away, but will instead have far reaching impact, if a decision is made which is damaging to the Hispanic community.

As you may know, you have been invited to speak about this issue at any of the Lambda Theta Phi special campus conferences – a national conference series – this fall and in fall 2004. This fall's conferences will address the future of Hispanic media and inform the Hispanic students and Hispanic community about the merger's closed approval process and the Administration's decision.

In October of 2004, each campus will review for students and the community what has happened. These are expected to be sold out events and we hope that you will be a part of each year's national series.

Mr. Rove, we respectfully request that you meet with us as soon as possible. We are delighted to see that you speak to the college Republican groups and other student organizations, but, respectfully, our group of Hispanic student and graduate student leaders has an important message about the largest occurrence in the history of Spanish Language media and we hope that you will grant this meeting. Please call Diane or Gwen at (202) 833-7755, for they will arrange for our travel.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Renzo Rodriguez  
Fairfax, Virginia

Jorge Diaz  
Carteret, NJ

Leo Espejo  
Union City, NJ

Carlos Rivera  
Elizabeth, NH

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Comments: Another one! Please  
decline on KR's behalf.

## MEMORANDUM

Date: September 4, 2003

To: Mr. Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
Fax#: (202) 456-0191

From: Mothers Dedicated to the Preservation of Hispanic Culture

Subj: Renewal of Meeting Request

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Dear Mr. Rove:

This is to respectfully renew our earlier request for a meeting with you. We are prepared to travel to Washington to meet with you at your earliest convenience. Our previous requests are attached.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. It would be greatly appreciated if you would contact either Gwen Alviani or Diane Untiedt at (202)955-6062.

Thank you.

## MEMORANDUM

Date: August 25, 2003

To: Mr. Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
Fax#: (202) 456-0191

From: Mothers Dedicated to the Preservation of Hispanic Culture

Subj: Meeting request for September 4, 2003

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Dear Mr. Rove:

This is to follow up on our earlier request for a meeting with you.

Please find attached a list of the women representing the coalition. We are planning on being in Washington on September 4, 2003. It would be helpful if the requested meeting could be on that day.

Each of these women was personally involved in collecting the more than 50,000 letters to President Bush opposing the Univision/HBC merger. All are significant leaders within the Cuban Hispanic community of South Florida.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. It would be greatly appreciated if you would contact either Gwen Alviani or Diane Untiedt at (202)955-6062.

Thank you.

MOTHERS DEDICATED TO THE PRESERVATION OF  
HISPANIC CULTURE

Isolina Maroño of Sweetwater, Florida

Eileen Delgado of Miami, Florida

Adriana Albaladejo of Leisure City, Florida

Maria Teresa Delgado of Miami, Florida

Mia Cardenas of Miami, florida

Kristine Cardenas of Miami, Florida

**MOTHERS DEDICATED TO THE PRESERVATION OF HISPANIC CULTURE**

August 20, 2003

**Via Facsimile (202) 456-0191**

Mr. Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Rove,

We are the representatives of a large organization of Hispanic mothers and grandmothers who are active organizers and advocates on political and community issues of importance to our citizens, values and culture.

It is with great respect that we request a meeting to convey to you our community's deep opposition to the Univision/HBC merger.

We recognize that the Administration is in the midst of its most difficult time with the Hispanic community and in receipt of multiple letters from Hispanic leaders expressing disappointment over campaign promises unfulfilled.

When our community supported the President, it was with the belief that open government, appropriate values and a respect for Hispanic culture and small business opportunity would be hallmarks. We believe that our message and values mirror those espoused by the President. The Univision/HBC merger and its closed, secretive approval process violates all of these tenets.

Our community will bring to the merger opposition the same commitment and enthusiasm that it brought to the 2000 campaign and recount, so we hope that you will meet with us to consider our point of view.

We are not famous. We are not media moguls like the people pushing for this merger behind closed doors. We are thousands of South Florida mothers and grandmothers who believe in standing up for what is right.

We will travel to Washington or any other location at any time to meet with you. We deeply appreciate your consideration of our request. Please contact Gwen or Diane at (202) 833-7755, as they will assist with our travel arrangements.

Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

Maria Teresa Delgado

Gia Cardenas

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**MEMORANDUM**

**Date:** September 4, 2003

**To:** Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
Fax #: 202-456-0191

**From:** Hispanic Religious Leaders of South Florida

**Subj:** Meeting Request from Religious Leaders

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**Dear Mr. Rove,**

**This is a follow up memorandum to refresh our request for a meeting with you. We are available to travel to Washington whenever your schedule would allow a meeting with us. Mondays and Tuesdays are preferable, as those are the easiest days to break away from our pastoral duties.**

**At your convenience, please contact Gwen Alviani or Diane Untiedt at (202) 955-6062 to arrange for a convenient time to meet.**

**Thank you.**

**MEMORANDUM**

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**From:** Hispanic Religious Leaders of South Florida

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**Dear Mr. Rove,**

**This is a follow up memorandum to confirm that we will be in Washington on Tuesday, September 2. It would be helpful if the meeting request in the attached letter could be held on that date.**

**At your convenience, please contact Gwen Alviani or Diane Untiedt at (202) 955-6062 to arrange for a convenient time to meet.**

**Thank you.**

**HISPANIC RELIGIOUS LEADERS  
OF SOUTH FLORIDA**  
August 22, 2003

Via Facsimile (202) 456-0191

Mr. Karl Rove  
Senior Advisor to the President  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: Meeting Request from Religious Leaders

Dear Mr. Rove,

As Hispanic religious leaders representing over 200 multi-denominational churches in South Florida, we regret that you were unable to meet with us during our July and August visits to Washington, D.C. We will be in Washington again in the first week of September, along with religious leaders from across the United States representing hundreds of additional churches, all united in a single important cause: opposition to the Univision/HBC merger.

We respectfully renew our request to meet with you regarding our strong opposition to the Univision/HBC merger and to share with you the depth and permanence of the opposition that the Hispanic community of South Florida and other areas feel toward this merger. We will travel to a location other than Washington to accommodate your busy schedule.

Please find attached a sample citizen letter to the President expressing opposition to the merger, with a translation provided. This is one of over 50,000 letters opposing the merger collected in just eleven days by our churches and by college student leaders – tomorrow's adult community leaders. The letters are being collected at a pace of 6,000 to 8,000 per day, and over 90% of them are from Republican Hispanic voters in South Florida. For reasons that we do not quite understand, your offices, and the Executive offices in general, appear to be refusing to accept receipt of these more than 50,000 letters. While this issue has received extraordinary publicity throughout the Hispanic community, you may be unaware of how deeply this has permeated our culture and how committed we are to preserving Hispanic ownership of the media and opposing the Univision/HBC merger.

Mr. Rove, we sincerely appreciate your positive statements about reaching out to Hispanic voters. We also hope that you know how tirelessly the same people that worked on the 2000 Presidential campaign are now committed to preserving Hispanic ownership of the media and opposing the Univision/HBC merger.

We appreciate your consideration and respectfully ask that you grant us the opportunity to convey our community's united and important opposition before the Administration makes its decision. We are available to meet at any time. However, our pastoral duties do make Mondays and Tuesdays the easiest days to travel to Washington. The most important timing element is that we would like to convey the merger's negative impact on our community before the Administration determines the outcome. Please have your office contact Gwendolyn Alviani or Diane Untiedt at (202) 955-6062, as they will coordinate our travel.

Thank you and may God Bless you and guide you as you deal each day with the important issues of our time.

Sincerely,

Pastor Roberto Colloca  
Vida Abundante  
7300 NW 77 Court  
Miami, Florida 33166

Pastor Pablo Lago  
La Roca Firme and  
President of the Asociacion  
de Pastores del Gran Miami  
6280 West 21 Court  
Hialeah, FL 33016

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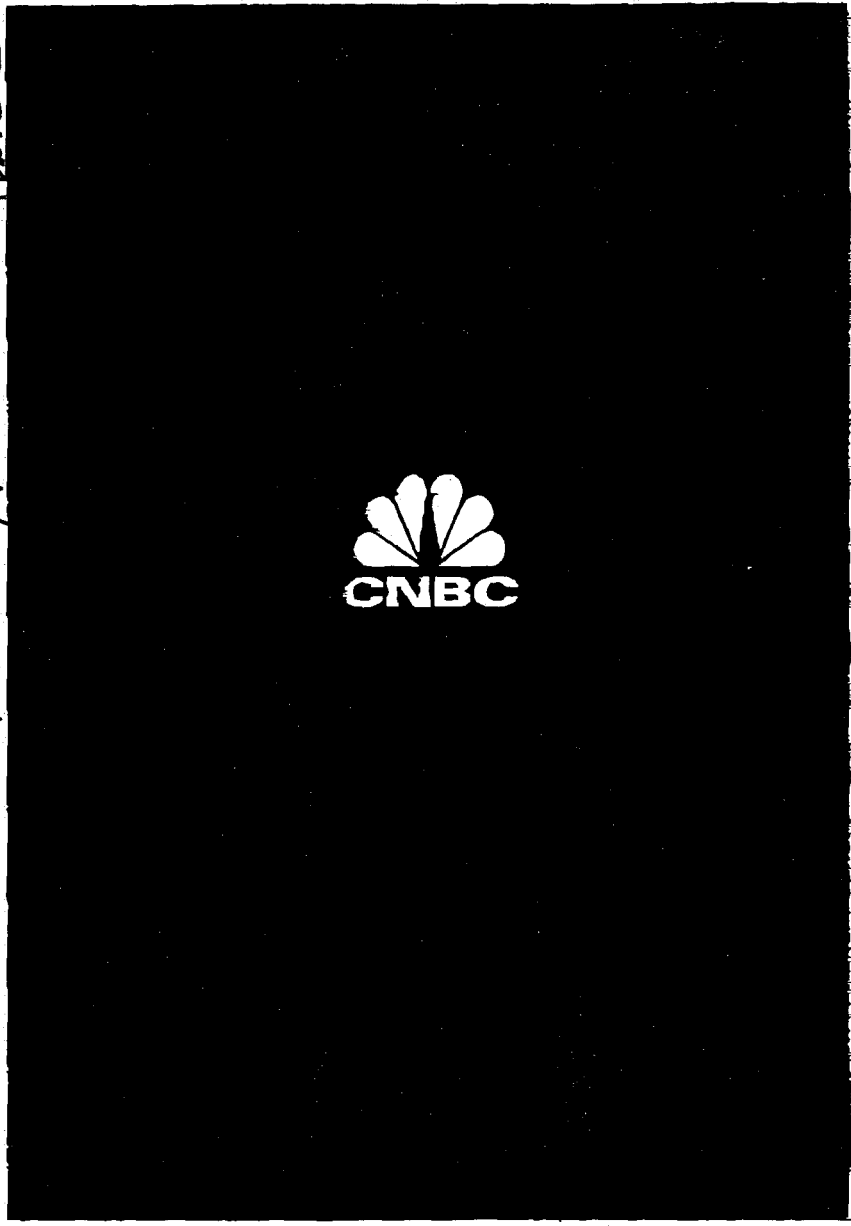
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