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Ms. Betty Russell 6908 Camino Blanco Las Cruces, NM 88007

Dear Betty,

Congratulations on having been chosen as a delegate to the Republican pre-primary convention. I look forward to seeing you in Albuquerque in March.

Since announcing my candidacy for the Senate 11 months ago, I have traveled to every county in the state and I've met some wonderful people.

From Farmington to Eunice, Clayton to Lordsburg, and everywhere in between, New Mexicans are united by our deep concern for the future of our country.

America is in deep trouble, and it won't be easy to get out of it.

A few short weeks ago, the President of the United States presented a budget not unlike the budget he has been presenting for the past three years.

His plan is for Washington to continue to spend money we don't have.

The Obama Administration's addiction to spending and debt is out of control. As government grows, it becomes even more intrusive and involved in our lives. A runaway federal government threatens our free market economy and our very way of life.

We cannot borrow our way to prosperity. But we can cripple our economy for decades if we don't start making more responsible decisions.

If we do nothing, history will judge our generation as the beginning of America's decline. It's time to change direction, and that's why I'm running for the Senate. I know there is a better path for America because we've been down it before. And, with the right leadership, we can find it again.