United States Senate

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The Honorable Robert C. Byrd
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Byrd and Senator Cochran:

As you complete work on the Fiscal Year 2008 Appropriations bills, I would like to take this opportunity to certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest, consistent with the requirements of Paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, in any congressionally directed spending that I requested from the Committee on Appropriations for fiscal year 2008.

Thank you for your consideration of requests I've made to the Committee, and best wishes for completion of the remaining appropriations conferences.

Sincerely,

Edward M. Kennedy

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