

AL GORE

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Dear fellow American,

In barely seven months, we will have the chance to take America back from George Bush and the Republicans after eight years of unprecedented harm to our nation.

We must not fail in that mission!

After stampeding our country to war with Iraq on fabricated evidence, George Bush allowed a terrible mistake to become an even more terrible catastrophe through lack of leadership—and *five years later* we are still no closer to an honorable solution.

The “Bush Tax Cuts” trumpeted as a cure-all for our economy have drained our treasury and weakened our dollar—even as home foreclosures for middle-class Americans soar along with our federal deficit.

George Bush, Dick Cheney and their backers in the Senate have fought endlessly to avoid making the hard choices necessary to address global warming—and have increased our dependence on foreign oil and dirty coal.

On November 4, we must end this assault on reason—and begin a new chapter.

As a Democratic activist, I’m sure you’ve been watching this year’s campaigns with as much interest as I have. And I’m sure you agree this election is crucial for America’s future.

The simple truth is we must not only win the White House, we must defeat those GOP senators who have done almost as much damage as George Bush or Dick Cheney. They have been enablers for the administration. They have even turned a blind eye to torture and warrantless wiretapping of American citizens.

That’s why I’m asking you to stand with me and the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)—because I believe what they do is so critically important.

As the one arm of the Democratic Party charged with electing Democrats to the Senate, their job is crucial to the future of democracy in America.

It was through their good work in 2006 that Democrats regained control of the Senate. Sadly, we’ve learned since that 51 seats is not enough—because 49 Republicans can stymie the will of the American people through filibusters and maneuvering.

Join me in helping the DSCC put an end to this blockade on American progress with \$55, \$100 or even \$250 or more. Your investment will be put to good use to defeat the most obstinate GOP senators who stand in our way.

You can send a check with the enclosed form or go to www.dsc.org/EndTheAssault and contribute online.

A number of Democratic senators want so much to end the GOP Senate roadblock that they have rallied around the DSCC and will match any money we receive by June 30 on a two-to-one basis.

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So every \$55 you invest immediately becomes \$165...and \$100 becomes \$300...and \$250 becomes \$750!

If you want to see the final end of the Bush era and a return to a progressive America, there is no better time than right now to make your commitment!

Your support will have a direct effect on races across the country where the DSCC will be able to buy media time, train staff and get out the vote on Election Day.

It's up to us—as individual Americans—to make our government work again and take on the hard problems that the Republicans have tried to sweep under the rug for almost eight years:

- The undeniable reality of global warming—the most serious threat to human existence in history.
- The terrible state of affairs in Iraq—five years of aimless and misguided occupation have left us with no easy answers.
- The health care emergency—more than 47 million Americans are at risk every day from the most basic medical conditions.
- The deficit catastrophe—seven years of out-of-control spending coupled with reckless tax cuts has mortgaged our future.
- Our constitutional crisis—George Bush has claimed unheard-of powers that threaten our civil liberties and diminish our position in the world. The undermining of the Constitution by one attorney general after another has hurt the values America holds most dear.

If we don't significantly increase the number of Democrats in the Senate—the next four years will be no different than a third term for George Bush.

Which is why I ask you to support the DSCC today as aggressively as you can with \$55, \$100 or even \$250! The stakes are no less than our shared future.

I believe we must stand for a future in which the United States will again be feared only by its enemies...will again lead the effort to create an international order based on the rule of law...and which does what is necessary to provide for the health, education, safety and welfare of our people.

But more than anything, I believe we must stand for a United States that places the highest value on truth, not right-wing ideology, as the basis for all great debates and decisions.

Thank you for being part of the solution.

Yours sincerely,



Al Gore

P.S. Remember that whatever amount you give by June 30—no matter how great—will be tripled by my Democratic friends in the Senate. Please...there will never be a better day than today to stand up for your progressive ideals.