

February 23, 2011

Governor Brian Sandoval 101 N. Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701

Dear Governor Sandoval,

The Republican State Senators are honored to be working with you to build a more efficient, accountable State Government structure; to implement bold, yet effective education reforms; and to remove the economic uncertainty that is preventing businesses from investing in Nevada.

We are committed to working with you and Lt. Governor Krolicki to generate new private-sector jobs, promote small business growth and investment, and create public policy that makes Nevada the most business-friendly state in America. A vital element in achieving this goal is to reject calls for new taxes that punish small businesses for hiring and keeping employees, and that punish Nevada families for living and working here. It is essential that those of us who share a common belief in limited government, personal responsibility, lower taxes and a better quality of life for Nevadans stand strong to protect families and businesses.

Like you, Governor, we will no longer accept the status quo when it comes to educating Nevada's children. Past efforts, including watered-down reforms and adding more money to a broken system, have failed. We support providing Nevada parents with additional choices in how our children are educated; allowing for more control and accountability at the local level; enacting tenure reform; providing incentives and rewards for Nevada's great teachers; and fixing the broken governance structure of Nevada's Department of Education. Simply put, you have our word individually and as a group that we will support your innovative plan to make sure Nevada's children receive the education they deserve.

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We must stand strong and stand together on our core beliefs. You have our word that we will work with you on all issues of importance in a constructive manner and that you have our unwavering support for your plan to balance the budget while fighting job-killing taxes. We appreciate your honesty, sincerity and leadership and we stand ready and committed to working with you through the difficult challenges ahead.

Sincerely,

Senator Greg Brower Washoe 3

Senator Don Gustavson

Washoe 2

Senator Joe Hardy

Clark 12

Senator Mike McGinness

Central

Senator Michael Roberson

Clark 5

Senator Barbara Cegavske

Clark 8

Senator Elizabeth Halseth

Clark 9

Senator Ben-Kieckhefer

Washoe 4

Senator Dean Rhoads

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Senator James Settelmeyer

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