



GERALD R. FORD

July 25, 1985

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter of July 12th, setting forth the fundraising plans for "Project '86" of the National Republican Senatorial Committee.

Although I am severely limiting all fundraising letters in 1986 (no individual candidate letters) I will join President Reagan and Vice President Bush in this undertaking. Please send me copies of their letters so that I can review them before approving the one for my signature.

In your letter of July 12th, you indicated a draft of a proposed letter was enclosed. It was not. Will you have it forwarded for my review?

It is most probable that I will become a member through my PAC, The New Leadership Committee.

I deeply appreciate your wise, constructive and determined efforts to do a meaningful job on the federal deficit crisis. Apparently you have a few serious and helpful allies in the Congress, but not sufficient in number to do what must be done if our nation is to avoid a political, economic disaster. My support for individual candidates will depend on how they vote to meet this crisis.

Warmest, best wishes,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Gerald R. Ford". The signature is stylized, with the first name "Gerald" written in a cursive script and "R. Ford" in a more formal, blocky style.

The Honorable Bob Dole  
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