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Hatch Election Committee 4516 South 700 East Suite 160 Murray, UT 84107

Dear Orrin:

It is with great enthusiasm that I endorse your reelection effort to another term in the U.S. Senate. These next six years are some of the most critical for our nation. I know you agree with me that if we don't get real and start to make the difficult decisions that will put our nation of a sustainable fiscal path, we stand to lose the greatest nation on earth.

With you as our Republican leader on the Senate Finance Committee, the Committee will reflect the strong conservative values that we know well in the Intermountain-West. I look forward to working with you to reform our tax code, tackle our broken entitlement system, repeal Obamacare, address the problem of public pensions, and finally deliver a workable solution to our states on Medicaid.

Thank you for your service and I look forward to welcoming you back as Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee.

Sincerely,

Mike Crapo

U.S. Senator

Idaho