

DEMOCRATIC HEADQUARTERS

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Dear Friend,

You know what I'm tired of hearing? That the Republican Party is the "Party of No." Not because it's inaccurate; they've said "no" to nearly every effort President Obama has undertaken. They've waged all-out war on the middle class. It's who they are; *it's who they've always been.*

But calling them the "Party of No" ignores everything they've said "yes" to:

- **Yes to high deficits.**
- **Yes to high unemployment.**
- **Yes to deregulation and tax cuts for the elite.**
- **Yes to corporate greed.**

And it's not just what they say yes to. *It's who.* They aren't the protectors of the people. They are the protectors of Big Oil, big insurance companies and corporate CEOs with their nine-figure bonuses. When the American people need help, they say "no." When a Wall Street banker needs a loophole, they say "Yes! Yes! A thousand times, yes!"

Republicans tried to block health care reform because they decided it was better to stand up for insurance companies than to stand up for middle-class families struggling with medical bills. They voted against Wall Street reform because they cared more about their banker pals than they did about preventing another economic collapse.

They even tried to block our economic recovery—after nearly destroying the economy in the first place—because they know that a struggling economy is always a good platform to sweep back into power during an election year.

At every turn, with every choice they make, they betray the American people. With every action, they try to delegitimize President Obama. And now they have the audacity to think they should be put back in charge of this country.

Their plan: Win in November. Take back Congress. Go back to hammering the middle class and looting the economy on behalf of a privileged elite.

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We can't let them. *You* can't let them. Everything we've fought for is on the line this November. The President has accomplished an extraordinary amount this year, but with Republicans in power, his agenda will come to a full stop ... *with some of his signature achievements at risk of being reversed.*

That's why I need you to make a contribution today to the **Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee (DSCC)**. We've spent the last 19 months preparing for this battle, and now we have less than nine weeks left to bring in the necessary resources to beat back the Republican Party for good. We're in the final stretch here, and believe me: every single dollar the DSCC receives will be immediately funneled back into the field to bolster our candidates against smears and dishonest attacks.

With this strategy, the DSCC helped elect 16 Democrats to the U.S. Senate in the last five years alone. Trust me, the folks at the DSCC know what they're doing.

There's only one way to get the change we need. We have to fight for it. And that starts with ensuring that the DSCC has the resources it needs to fight back against GOP lies and win at the ballot box on November 2.

Democrats have a heck of a lot to be proud of, and we must make sure every last voter knows:

- **We saved** the economy from the brink of a depression. We passed a health care reform bill that was 100 years in the making. We passed equal pay laws, so that women will no longer be paid less than men for the same work.
- **We passed** the toughest fuel efficiency standards in history. We ended the ban on stem-cell research. We are restoring our image abroad.
- **We passed** Wall Street reform, so that reckless bankers will never be able to hold our economy hostage again. We extended unemployment benefits for more than 2.5 million Americans struggling to find work.

But November isn't just about us. It's a choice between our party and the Republicans.

A choice between the party that is trying to rebuild the economy, and the one that destroyed it.

A choice between a party that is holding BP accountable for their mess, and one that thinks it's a tragedy that BP, not taxpayers, will have to foot the bill.

It's a choice between a party that wants senators like Sharron Angle and Rand Paul, extremists who have opposed Social Security, Medicare and parts of the Civil Rights Act, and a party that wants senators like Barbara Boxer and Patrick Leahy to stand up for the values and ideals that make me proud to be an American.

It's a choice between the party that stands with President Obama and everything he is fighting for, and a party that will go to the furthest possible extremes to stand in his way.

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But just because the Republicans don't deserve to win elections doesn't mean they won't. The Supreme Court has ruled that corporations can spend unlimited sums of money in support of their allies in Congress. Now, candidates who stand up against corporate influence will be drowned out by corporate dollars. And candidates who stand with Big Business will see corporate dollars flood the airwaves on their behalf.

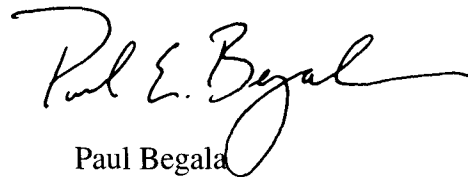
That's why our actions today, in the run-up to this election, are so incredibly important. **The DSCC needs your help to raise \$1.36 million by October 15** in order to combat the record amount of special-interest money that is pouring into these races across the country, with contributions from real Americans like you. Nothing could be more important than the contribution I'm asking you to make right now, **even if it's just \$25**, because it's the difference between fighting for a better future, or sliding back to the failed right-wing policies of the past.

And by giving today, that \$25 will count as \$50—in fact, **any amount you give will be immediately doubled and make twice the impact** on these incredibly important races.

What we do until Election Day will change the future of this country. Now is the time to stand up and fight. Now is the time to protect what we've built together.

Stand with President Obama by standing with the DSCC today. We need your help. And we need it right now.

Sincerely,



Paul Begala

P.S. Don't let the GOP drive our country off a cliff! We need to stop the GOP in its tracks and fight for President Obama's agenda. Help the DSCC meet this critical October 15 fundraising goal by contributing today at www.dsc.org/Begala or by calling the DSCC Donation Hotline at 1-877-417-8807—remember, your gift today will go twice as far after it's doubled!