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MESSAGE from the CHAIRMAN

Dear Fellow Republicans,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving holiday. We all have much to be grateful for, even in these hard times. I am personally grateful for having had the support of all of you over the past years. It has been a pleasure being your Chairman. Macomb County is very important to me, and I will continue to think of you as I serve in my new role as County Commissioner for District 12.

Thank you to the grassroots volunteers because with you is where our strongest efforts exist. It is important to keep moving forward with our core values. It is vital that we remember to promote what makes us Conservatives and Republicans: family values, personal responsibility and limited government.

I would also like to give a special thanks to Stephanie Pazdro for her efforts at the Macomb County Republicans. She has done a great job, and her help and dedication was seen not only in her assistance to me, but towards advancing the MCRP, as well, and I think we can all agree, she will be missed.

From my family to yours, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

James Carabelli

Chairman, Macomb County Republicans

CHRISTMAS PARTY & EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The next Executive Board Meeting will be Monday, December 15, 2008 at 7PM at the MCRP Headquarters.

This will also be the Christmas Party. It will be a potluck event with a \$5 donation for a local charity.

Questions, comments, and RSVPs please contact Jean Uhl at 586-264-1304.

This meeting is open to all MCRP membership, so we hope to see you!

COUNTY CONVENTION

Wednesday, December 3, 2008

7:30PM

**Macomb Community College—University Center (Center Campus)
44575 Garfield Road, Clinton Township**

Convention will start promptly at 7:30PM; Doors open at 6:30PM for check-in.

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Congresswoman Candice S. Miller

Michigan's 10th Congressional District

House Armed Services Committee

House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee

PRESS RELEASE

November 19, 2008

REP. MILLER SEEKS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR DETROIT'S AUTOMAKERS

WASHINGTON, DC –Congresswoman Candice Miller, MI-10, released the following statement Wednesday after her testimony before the House Financial Services Committee's hearing:

"Critics have said that our domestic auto industry is a "dinosaur" that is too fat to survive. Over the last number of years America's domestic auto manufacturers have made the tough decisions to make their operations leaner and more competitive. It has cut to the bone and dealt with crisis after crisis to return to profitability, despite new government regulatory mandates and an economic meltdown brought about by the mistakes of Wall Street. Today all we are asking for is that support be given to our Automakers in the form of a bridge loan to support our domestic manufacturing base.

Experts have stated that if we allow the auto industry to fail, as many as three million jobs could be lost in the first year. The loss of our automakers would cost Americans dearly. If retiree pensions are dumped on the Pension Benefit Guarantee Corporation the cost to the taxpayer would be far greater than the amount sought as a bridge loan and retirees would have their pensions slashed. Unemployment benefit costs to the federal government would skyrocket. Health care costs would be borne by federal taxpayers instead of the workers and companies. Millions of Americans who now pay federal taxes would be out of work at an additional cost to our national treasury. For those who oppose these loans because of their desire to protect the taxpayer, at the end of the day they could be forcing a far larger burden upon our tax payers than the \$25 billion we are asking for today.

The auto industry, and the people who work in it, deserve better than to be called dinosaurs and irrelevant in this economy. During World War II Detroit was known as the Arsenal of Democracy because we had the manufacturing capability to build the weapons that led the world to peace. Historically, it was our auto manufacturers that created the American middle class- not Bear Stearns, AIG, or Lehman Brothers who may have created the upper class. Time after time the auto industry has stepped up to defend our nation and our economy. Now I believe that it is time for this Congress to do the same for our auto makers."

MCRP CHRISTMAS PARTY/EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The MCRP Christmas Party and Executive Board meeting will be on Monday, December 15, 2008 at 7PM at the MCRP Headquarters on Van Dyke. This will be a Potluck Event with a \$5 donation for a local charity.

Farewell From the Political Director

Dear Macomb County Republicans,

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Political Director for the past two years, and I thank you all for the opportunity to do so. I have learned many useful and practical aspects to politics that I will take with me as I pursue my Doctorate in Political Science. I look forward to the new endeavors ahead of me, and I will cherish all of the knowledge I have gained during my time with the Macomb County Republicans.

I send my heartfelt thanks to each one of you. I truly appreciate the assistance I received especially during the last few weeks of the election season. I will miss the MCRP and all of the friends I have made here.

May God bless you, and may God bless America and those who defend Her!

Merry Christmas!

Stephanie Pazdro

News from the Republican Committee of Northern Macomb County

Analysis of the November General Election results show that more and more area of Macomb County once represented by Republicans are now in the hands of Democrats. Further that the last Republican bastion in Macomb County seems to be concentrated in Northern Macomb County. But even there several seats were lost to Democrats.

At the State Level, Republicans lost the 32nd District (Chesterfield, Lenox, Richmond, and Armada townships) vacated by term-limited Danial Acciavatti and District 24 (Harrison Twp. and St Clair Shores) vacated by term-limited Jack Brandenburg. The net result is that Republicans now hold only three of the eight State Representative Districts in Macomb County.

At the county level two more Commissioner Seats were won by Democrats in this election - District 10 (north part of Sterling Heights) and District 26 (south part of Macomb Twp.). This continues a six-year downward trend since the 2002 elections when Republicans once held 12 County Commissioner Seats. Today only six of the 26 Commissioner Districts are represented by Republicans, of which five are in Northern Macomb County.

Republicans also did not fair well in electing candidates to the Charter Commission. Only four Republicans were elected county wide, all of which were in Northern Macomb County.

In our nine township area Republicans were re-elected for all positions in six of the townships: Armada, Bruce, Ray, Richmond, Shelby and Washington. In Macomb Township Republicans were returned to office save for the Supervisor position, and in Chesterfield Township all incumbent Republicans were defeated except for one trustee position. Lenox Township continues to remain all Democratic.

NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

I wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. December is not only a joyous month but it also is quite a critical month for the MCRP in that it is the Anniversary membership renewal month for 64 of our members. Please keep in mind that when you receive your dues notice in early December you need to work out a system to remind yourself to remit your dues in a timely fashion.

Welcome to the Newest MCRP Members!

John Klakulak (Washington Twp.)
Larry & Patricia Mackey (Shelby Twp.)
Rochelle Spencer (Macomb Twp.)

THE MACOMB COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN'S CLUB

You are invited to the Macomb County Republican Women's Club's FREE Christmas PARTY on Monday, December 8th, 7:00 P.M. at the Macomb County GOP Headquarters (48711 Van Dyke in Shelby Township) Let us know if you can bring a dish to pass. Prizes for the top three recipes! Spouses and kids are more than welcome. OPTIONAL: We will be taking up a collection for a little girl who lost her father in the war. Call Marianne Weiss at 586-752-4763 to R.S.V.P.

12TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE

12th. DISTRICT CHRISTMAS GATHERING will be on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2008 at the "CUTTING BOARD" RESTAURANT located at 28655 Schoenherr Rd. (S. of 12 Mile Rd.-West side of street) Warren, MI. 48092 (586)-751-1788. Ticket Prices: \$18.00 Per Adult-(Full Buffet, including NON-ALCOHOL beverages). "CASH BAR" AVAILABLE, AFTER MEETING. The event will begin at 6:00PM with a BRIEF meeting and at 7:00PM a BUFFET DINNER. "CHARITY OF CHOICE" is COMPASSION PREGNANCY. The Suggest Donation of \$5.00 (minimum), per Guest. Please make out your personal checks to: "Compassion Pregnancy". SALVATION ARMY "RED KETTLE", WILL, AS ALWAYS, BE AVAILABLE, FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO CONTRIBUTE.

"RAFFLE": Special Raffle of "ADULT HOLIDAY SPIRITS" (3 ITEMS), will be raffled off! To be eligible to receive raffle ticket: DONATE a 24 pack, (Either boy or girl-Any size) of DISPOSABLE BABY DIAPERS. ONE Raffle Ticket, per EACH 24 Pack of Diapers! MUST BE 21 YEARS OF AGE, TO PARTICIPATE. APPROPRIATE INVITATIONS WITH R.S.V.P. FORM, WILL BE EMAILED/MAILED, FIRST WEEK OF NOVEMBER. PLEASE RESPOND BY REQUESTED DATE OF: NOVEMBER 24, 2008.

AS ALWAYS, MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING A GUEST. EACH GUEST, IS A POTENTIAL NEW MEMBER! ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT: JUDY BUCHHOLTZ @ (586)-757-5156. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING THIS RELAXING EVENING WITH ALL!

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The Macomb County Republicans
 can be found on the web at
www.macombgop.com

2008 Calendar of Important Dates

- Dec 3** COUNTY CONVENTION at Macomb Community College, University Center (Center Campus) at 7:30PM
- Dec 4 12th Congressional District Christmas Party at 6PM at The Cutting Board
- Dec 4 Northern Macomb Republicans meeting at 7PM at the Hamlin Pub at 22 Mile Road and Hayes
- Dec 8 Macomb WOMEN'S Club Christmas Party at 7PM at the MCRP Headquarters
- Dec 15** MCRP Executive Board Meeting and Christmas Party at 7PM at the MCRP Headquarters; POTLUCK, \$5 donation
- Dec 25** CHRISTMAS DAY
- Jan 1 New Year's Day



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COUNTY CONVENTION INFORMATION

The County Convention will be held on Wednesday, December 3, 2008 at 7:30PM at Macomb Community College– University Center (Center Campus). Center Campus is located at 44575 Garfield Road, on the southwest corner of Hall Road (M-59) and Garfield Road in Clinton Township.

The convention will start promptly at 7:30PM, but the doors will open at 6:30PM for check-in.

The purpose of this convention is to elect members of the county executive committee. Please note that only Precinct Delegates elected at the August 5, 2008 Primary Election and those who were appointed at the August 2008 County Convention, and the most recent Republican nominees for County and State Legislative offices will be seated at the County Convention.

If you are interested in becoming a Precinct Delegate and would like to be appointed at the December 3, 2008 County Convention, please submit your name, address and phone number before December 1, 2008 at 5PM, so we can verify vacancy of position.



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