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The President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

My dear Mr. President:

I want to urge your support for the reappointment of John R. Evans to the Securities & Exchange Commission. I've known John for the 12 years we have been in Washington, D.C. He is without question one of the most honest and conscientious men I have ever known. He is the type of person we need in regulatory agencies. Although basically conservative. John is no one's "man." Because he has not always agreed with "Wall Street's" desires, I understand certain Wall Street interests, purporting to represent the business community, are working against his reappointment. The fact that he is willing to stand up for what he thinks is right even when it is not politically expedient is, in my opinion, one of the strongest reasons he should be reappointed.

I understand John has strong support from other members of the Commission, its staff, and from many members of Congress. It would be a shame if he is not reappointed when there is such a need for honest, competent people in government.

I don't do this often. In fact I have never written before to a President of the United States regarding an appointment, but I think so highly of John that I want you to know of my strong support. I am sure my views are shared by many in the business community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sterling D. Colton

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