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President Jimmy Carter
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing this letter out of concern for the reappointment of John Evans to the Securities and Exchange Commission. I speak both as an attorney specializing in a securities law practice and as a former career SEC staff member with over 20 years of service with the Commission. I know first hand the significant contributions Mr. Evans has made to the SEC and the high regard which he has held both by the staff and the legal and business communities. It is quite disturbing to many of us here that the matter of his reappointment has been pending for approximately eight months. Many people including some who might aspire to government service are looking closely at Mr. Evans' situation. A failure to reappoint Mr. Evans may be interpreted by many that our government does not highly value competent public spirited service. Mr. Evans has been and is the epitome of the highest standards of integrity, ability, and dedication. I am greatly troubled by press reports which suggest that his reappointment remains pending solely because of pressure from a major securities industry special interest group. I hope that such accounts are without merit as any objective assessment of Mr. Evans' capability and contribution reveal him to be one of the most outstanding Commissioners ever to serve on the SEC. I respectfully submit

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that Mr. Evans, other appointed government officials, and the public generally need to know that your administration values and appreciates this kind of person in government. Accordingly, I strongly urge the immediate reappointment of Mr. John Evans to the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Sincerely yours,

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