

**DEMOCRAT OFFICE OPENING**

**7/19/08**

**Peterborough, N.H.**

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**WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT THE  
FUTURE HOLDS FOR OUR DEAR  
NATION OR FOR THE WORLD.  
CERTAINLY THE CHALLENGES ARE  
LIKE NO OTHER TIME. IF YOU  
THINK OF THE PHYSICAL  
CHALLENGES BEFORE US: THE  
EARTH'S CLIMATE, ITS FOOD  
SUPPLY, ITS FRESH WATER  
RESOURCE, ITS ENERGY  
REOURCES, WE MIGHT AS WELL BE  
IN SOME SCIENCE FICTION  
DISASTER MOVIE,.<sup>3x</sup>WE WILL MOVE  
AHEAD AND DO WHAT WE CAN TO  
SURVIVE.**

**WE AMERICANS WILL BE COMING  
AT THE FUTURE WITH A NEW  
PRESIDENT AND PERHAPS A NEW  
KIND OF POLITICS. THIS MAY GIVE**

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US SOME ENTHUSIASM AND HOPE,  
REGARDLESS OF WHICH  
CANDIDATE WE ARE SUPPORTING.  
THEY ARE BOTH DECENT MEN AND  
STRONG LEADERS. I AM AN OLD  
DEMOCRAT, SO I INTEND WILL BE  
VOTING FOR MR. OBAMA WITH  
GREAT JOY, BUT MR. MCCAIN IS  
SOMEONE I HAVE HAD SOME  
DEALINGS WITH, , AFTER ALL I  
WALKED SOME 3,200 MILES FOR  
THE MCCAIN BILL, AND MR.  
MCCAIN GAVE ME A PAIR OF  
SNEAKERS.

WHOEVER OUR NEXT PRESIDENT  
MAY BE, THAT PERSON WILL FACE A  
FACT MORE DIFFICULT THAN ALL  
THE OTHER DIFFICULT FACTS, AND  
HERE IT IS: CONGRESS IS SO  
DEADLOCKED BY SPECIAL INTERESTS  
THAT REAL REFORM ON ANY  
FRONT-ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH,

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**EDUCATION OR THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE, WILL BE MOST DIFFICULT.**

**THE NEXT PRESIDENT WILL HAVE TO GO DIRECTLY TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND MAKE THE CASE FOR NEEDED ACTION, AND THIS MUST BE DONE WITH SUCH MORAL FORCE THAT THE PEOPLE WILL NEARLY RISE UP TO DEMAND ACTION BY THEIR ELECTED LEADERS IN CONGRESS AND LOCALLY. MR. OBAMA SEES PARTICULARLY SUITED TO THIS HIGH TASK, AND THAT IS THE REASON MANY PEOPLE THINK HE IS A MAN OF HISTORY.**

**THIS ELECTION WILL BE CRUCIAL TO OUR FUTURE, A FACT WE DO NOT ARGUE. ANY OF US. THOSE OF US WHO KEEP AN EYE OVER OUR**

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SHOULDER FOR THE DARKER  
INTRIGUE OF POLITICS MUST KEEP  
WORKING TO ASSURE THAT  
VOTING SYSTEMS ARE OPEN AND  
NOT CORRUPTED AND THAT THE  
RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO ELECT  
PEOPLE WHO REPRESENT THEIR  
DRAMS IS NOT OVERTHROWN--  
THIS RIGHT IS OUR PRIMARY  
FREEDOM. WHEN THERE ARE BIG  
SHAKUPS AT THE PENTAGON, AS  
THERE HAVE BEEN RECENTLY, WE  
WHO SEE SHADOWS LOOK  
CAREFULLY INDEED. WE HAVE  
LOST TOO MANY OF OUR  
GREATEST LEADERS ALREADY.

THE STRANGLHOLD THAT THE K  
STREET LOBBYING CULTURE HAS  
ON OUR GOVERNMENT, WHICH IS A  
CANCER ON OUR DEMOCRACY,  
MUST BE ENDED. I WOULD URGE  
THE NEW PRESIDENT TO LEAD THE

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**CHARGE TO OUTLAW LOBBYING.  
BY DEFENSE CONTRACTORS, AND  
BY INDUSTRIES THAT RELY  
HEAVILY ON PUBLIC MONEY, SUCH  
AS THE PHARMACEUTICAL AND  
HEALTH INSURANCE INDUSTRIES.  
LET THEIR EXECUTIVES BE HEARD  
IN CONGRESS, BUT LET THEM DO  
SO IN OPEN HEARINGS. LET THEM  
SPEAK WHEN THEY ARE SPOKEN  
TO. THEIR POWER HAS GROWN  
TOO GREAT. EISENHOWER, ONLY  
THREE YEARS BEFORE Kennedy's  
DEATH WARNED US AGAIST THE  
MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX.  
IT IS TIME TO MARGINALIZE THIS  
DANEROUS AND UNDEMOCRATIC  
FORCE IN OUR LIVES.**

**UNTIL WE FREE OUR ELECTED'  
LEADERS OF THE CANCER OF K  
STREET AND WIDESPREAD  
CONFLICT OF INTERESTS AMONG**

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**OUR ELECTED LEADERS, NO  
SERIOUS REFORMS WILL BE  
POSSIBLE.**

**THE FUTURE OF NATURE IS AT  
STAKE. THE FUTURE OF WEATHER  
IS AT STAKE. THE FUTURES OF OUR  
CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN  
ARE AT STAKE. ~~LET US NOT SIMPLY~~  
~~HOPE THAT A NEW LEADER, A~~  
~~BETTER LEADER, WILL SOLVE ALL~~  
~~OUR PROBLEMS.~~**

**WE HAVE BEEN RUNNING AMERICA  
FOR MANY DECADES WITH  
NEGATIVE VISUALIZATIONS. WHAT  
WE THINK, AND WHAT WE DREAM,  
AND WHAT WE SAY CAN HAVE AN  
EFFECT IN THE WORLD. WE HAVE TO  
MAKE ROOM IN THE WORLD FOR  
WHAT WE DREAM BY ACTUALLY  
DREAMING IT, BY MAKE SPACE FOR  
IT, BY MAKING IT IMAGINABLE TO**

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OTHERS. THROUGH OUR OWN  
CREATIVE LEADERSHP IN OUR  
OWN FAMILIES AND  
NEIGHBORHOODS.

LET'S NOT BE TIRED. LET'S NOT BE  
OLD. LET'S MAKE<sup>x</sup> NEW BEGINNING  
BY GETTING TOGETHER WITH OUR  
NEIGHBORS MORE OFTEN. HOW  
ABOUT NEXT WEEK? ~~LET'S PLANT  
SOME MORE VEGETABLE  
GARDEN'S~~ LET'S MAKE SOME  
FURNITURE OR ART. LET'S FIX UP  
SOME BICYCLES. LET'S GET THE  
WHOLE NEIGHBORHOOD TO GO  
DOWN TO VISIT THE LOCAL OFFICE  
OF OUR ELECTED PEOPLE, RIGHT *when*  
HERE, AND GET THEM ON BOARD *necessary*  
OR SCARE THE HELL OUT OF THEM.

THIS IS OUR DEMOCRACY IF WE  
CAN KEEP IT. THIS IS A GRAND  
PLANET IF WE CAN SAVE IT. IT 7

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REALLY IS UP TO US, EACH PERSON IS THE HERO OF THE WORLD AND IN SAYING THAT, I DO NOT JOKE OR EXAGGERATE. EVERY ONE OF YOU HAS THE POWER TO ~~DO THIS, TO~~ START SOMETHING BIG AND NECESSARY AND BEAUTIFUL I HAVE TRAVLLED THESE LAST FOUR YEARS TO STATES WHERE WORK IS BEING DONE ON PUBLIC FUNDING OF ELECTIONS. *Pause*

I HAVE BEEN ASKED “WHEN IS NEW HAMPHIRE GOING TO GO FOR PUBLIC FUNDING OF ELECTIONS, GRANNYD?” aS YOU MAY KNOW WE NOW HAVE THREE STATES WITH CITIZEN’S OWNED ELECTIONS: MAINE, ARIZONA BY CITIZEN’S INITIATIVE AND CONNECTICUT BY LEGISLATION. I AM PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT IN THIS PAST MONTH OUR GREAT GOVERNOR, *8*



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**JOHN LYNCH, HAS SIGNED AN  
AMENDMENT OF BILL HB794. A  
SEVEN PERON COMMISSION HAS  
NOW BEEN CHOSEN TO FIND A  
MEANS OF FUNDING THIS BILL.  
THE COMMISSION WILL REPORT  
TO THE HOUSE AND SENATE ON  
DECEMBER 1, 2008.**

**During those intervEning six months  
OUR CONSTITUENTS WILL LEARN  
THE HOW AND WHY OF PUBLIC  
FUNDING! OUR GOAL IS TO  
ACQUAINT THE PEOPLE SO THAT  
THEY WILL BECOME A FORCE TO  
CONVINCE OUR LEGISLATURE TO  
FOLLOW CONNECTICUT'S  
EXAMPLE AND BECOME THE  
FOURTH STATE TO HAVE CITIZEN-  
OWNED ELECTIONS. ~~WE WILL~~  
HELP OUR COMMISSION TO FIND A  
WAY TO FUND PUBLIC FUNDING  
WITHOUT ASKING FOR MONEY**

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~~FROM THE GENERAL FUND.~~

Send your  
bright ideas ~~to~~ in writing or call

N. H. COULD BECOME A MODEL FOR  
THE SOME 22 OTHER STATES WHO  
ARE WATCHING OUR COMMISSION  
FIND A WAY TO FUND PUBLIC  
FUNDING, WITHOUT ASKING FOR  
MONEY FROM THE GENERAL FUND.

When sufficient states have accepted this  
system A CRITICAL MASS WILL  
FORM AND IT WILL GO FEDERAL

WYOMING MOTHER 10 years old  
~~WE ARE MAKING HISTORY LADIES  
AND GENTLEMEN. PLEASE HELP US  
BY CHANGING OUR STATE TO  
PUBLIC FUNDING OF ELECTIONS.  
YOU WILL BE HELPING TO CHANGE  
YOUR STATE, OUR COUNTRY AND  
THE WORLD. DO NOT THINK I  
EXAGGERATE. IT CAN BE DONE. WE  
CAN BECOME A REAL DEMOCRACY  
AND WHEN YOU ARE MY RIPE OLD~~

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PLEASANT SMIL,KNOWING YOU  
DID THE RIGHT THING