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Dear Friend:

Greetings to you. I am writing today, not as a representative of Focus on the Family, but as a member of the Board of Directors for the Family Research Council. Let me begin by thanking you for your prayerful support of this ministry. It will soon celebrate its 19th anniversary, dedicated to the defense of family, faith and freedom.

The Family Research Council was chartered in 1981, and from then until 1988, it was led by my good friend Jerry Regier, who now serves as Secretary of Health for the state of Oklahoma. Jerry shepherded the organization through several very difficult years with little financial support from anyone. Jerry and his wife, Sharyn, even paid many of FRC's bills with their personal credit cards, simply because they believed in their mission. They kept the ministry alive with their dedication and determination.

In 1988, Focus on the Family incorporated FRC into its own organization, and with generous contributions from Mr. and Mrs. Ed Prince and others, paid FRC's debts and established it on a firm foundation. With Jerry's resignation, we needed a new leader. During the preceding years, I had come to admire Gary Bauer, who was serving as senior domestic policy advisor for Ronald Reagan. When President Reagan's second term ended, I asked Gary to accept the position of president of the newly constituted Family Research Council, and to hold a simultaneous appointment as senior vice president of Focus on the Family. He continued to serve both Focus and FRC until October 1992, when our board of directors felt it had accomplished what it intended to do. FRC was then spun off as an independent ministry. Gary provided strong leadership for FRC until January 1999, when he resigned to make a run at the U.S. presidency. Since then, the organization has been led by acting president Chuck Donovan, who has served admirably during a period of transition and reorganization. That brings us to the present day.

Now, the Family Research Council is facing yet another important moment in its history. Since Gary has announced that he will not be returning to lead the organization, FRC's board is working diligently and prayerfully to select a new president and spokesperson. We are considering some outstanding candidates and will be making an

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