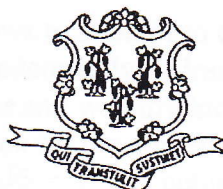


# State of Connecticut

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY



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May 1, 2012

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Representative Rosa DeLauro  
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New Haven, CT 06510

Representative Jim Himes  
888 Washington Blvd, 10th Fr.  
Stamford, CT. 06091

Representative John Larson  
221 Main Street  
Hartford, CT 06103

Representative Chris Murphy  
1 Grove St.  
New Britain, CT 06053

Dear Representatives Courtney, DeLauro, Himes, Larson and Murphy,

We, the undersigned, are writing in support of the Constitutional Amendment to overturn *Citizen's United v. FEC* and restore elections to the people. We ask that you firmly establish that money is not speech and that human beings, not corporations, are persons entitled to constitutional rights.

In Connecticut, we have a proud history of enacting clean election laws aimed at eliminating the corrupting influence of money on democracy.

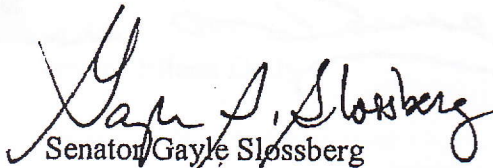
Through small donations, public grants and limits on non-person donations, our state has effectively reformed the way in which state elections are conducted.

Our General Assembly enacted laws to attempt to combat the effects of the Citizen's United case, but no state law can adequately address the influx of large targeted expenditures from corporate giants and wealthy individuals. These expenditures are unlimited and no one is accountable for the content of the message. The consequence is that the general population has no idea who is actually influencing the outcome of an election. The bankbooks of the few are deciding the fate of the many. That is not democracy. Citizen's United has taken our democracy out of the people's hands and placed it squarely in the pockets of a few, wealthy individuals and large corporations.

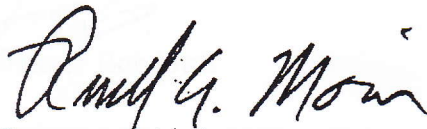
Our democracy is founded on the principle of the consent of the governed. We do not consent to be governed by corporations and a few wealthy individuals.

We stand ready to be of any assistance in this matter.

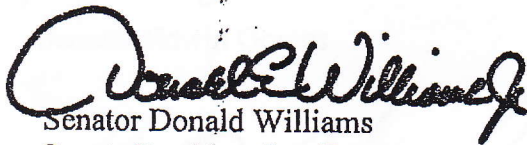
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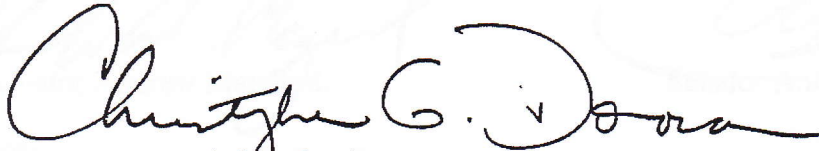
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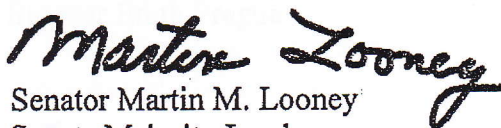
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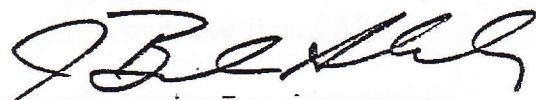
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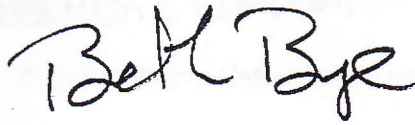
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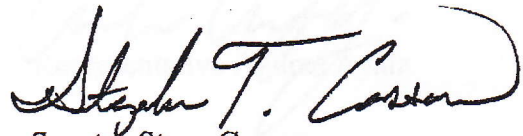
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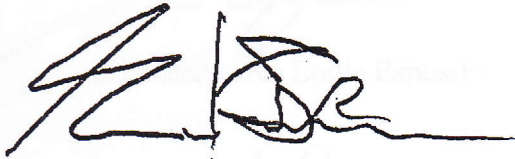
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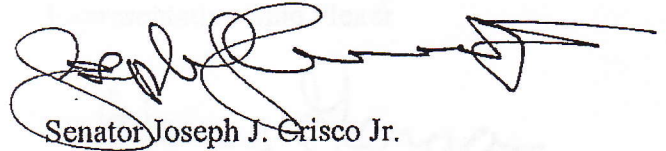
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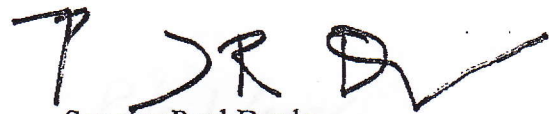
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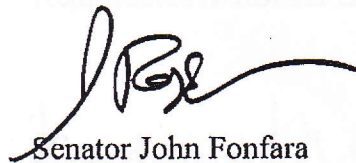
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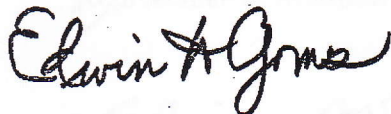
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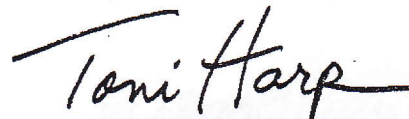
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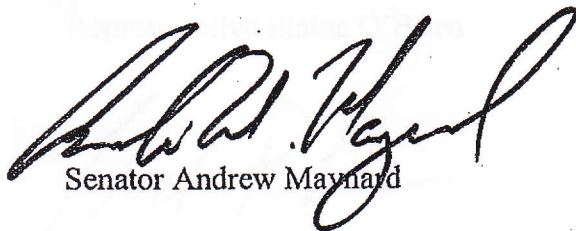
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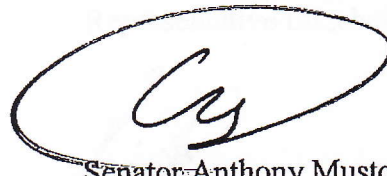
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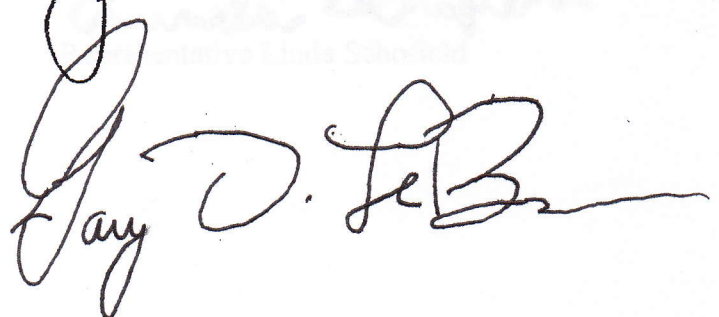
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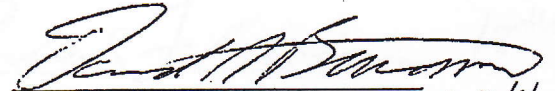
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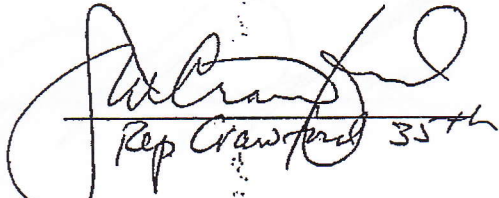
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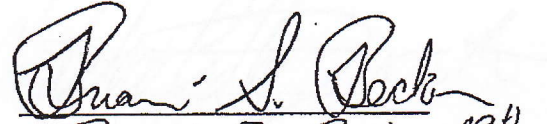
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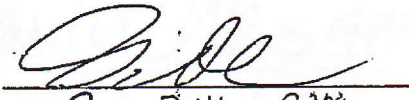
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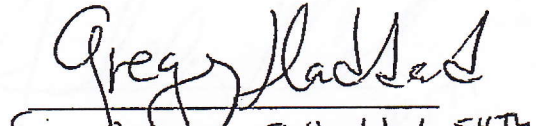
  
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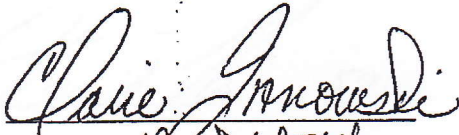
  
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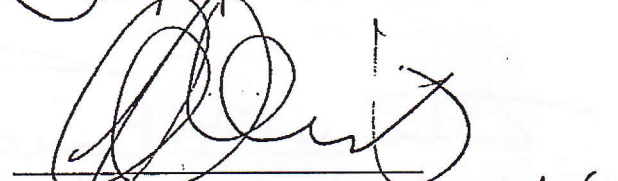
  
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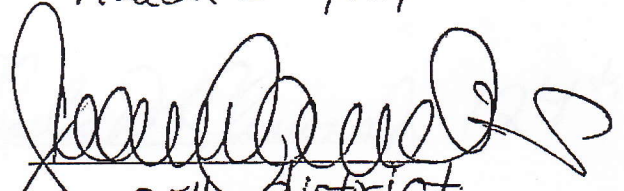
  
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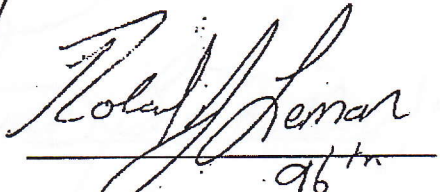
  
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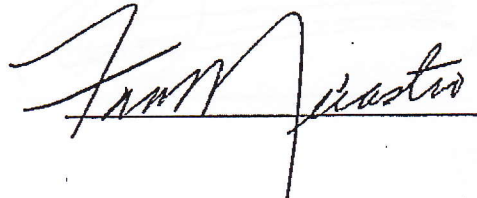
  
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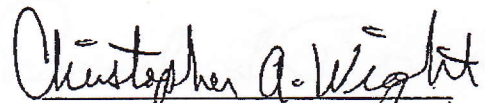
  
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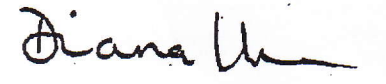
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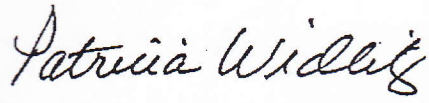


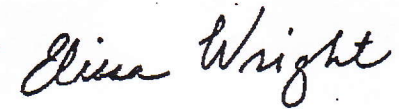
  
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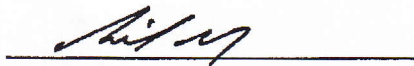
  
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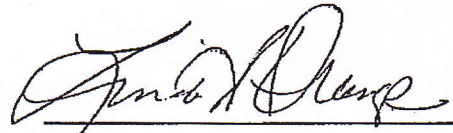
  
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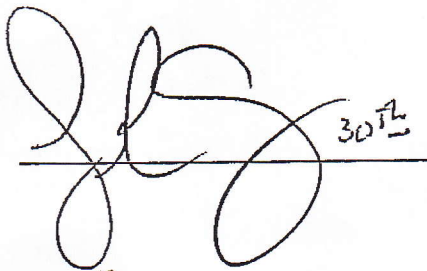
  
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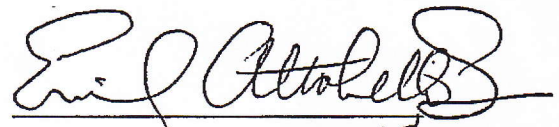
  
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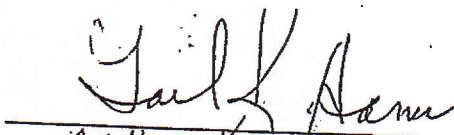
  
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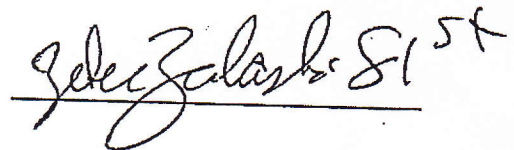
  
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