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Dear Fellow Virginian:

If you read the newspapers and watch television, you know that we face many challenges here in the Commonwealth.

Just imagine...

- * legislators who bow to pressure from the gambling lobby --
- * schools that censor student prayers and proudly declare that children must be taught to think "politically correct" --
- * teenage girls allowed to have abortions without their parents knowledge --
- * denying parents the right to choose the best public or private school for their children's needs --
- * school sex education programs that teach sexual activity before marriage --

Nationally, we face the next two years of a Congress and a White House at odds with each other over policies like national health care, abortion on demand and control of our children's education.

You and I must take action now to ensure that the values we hold dear are protected at the local, state and federal levels. That's why I am asking you to join me as a member of the **Virginia Christian Coalition** -- to do something positive about the direction our nation is heading --

-- and to complete the enclosed special 1995 VIRGINIA SURVEY OF CHRISTIANS. I will tell you more about the importance of this survey later.

As you know, Christian Coalition is the nationwide organization I founded in 1989 to mobilize Christians and other pro-family Americans to get involved in the political process, to give them a voice in government again.

After only five years, Christian Coalition has become the strongest pro-family grassroots organization in the nation -- with 1,500,000 members. The **Virginia Christian Coalition** is the official state affiliate of Christian Coalition here in the Old Dominion.

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The **Virginia Christian Coalition** is in a unique position, however. Unlike the other 49 state affiliates, it must raise funds to maintain a staff and an office, and do so in the same state where the national office is located.

A dedicated corps of volunteers and staff are busy organizing chapters in towns around the state. We currently are conducting a membership drive with a goal of 10,000 new members in Spring 1995.

This membership drive is critical because you and I cannot fight successfully by ourselves for our values against the anti-Christian forces in the media and in government.

But we can, if we are united and organized.

Christians must understand the danger that awaits us if we fail to mobilize Christians and other pro-family Americans to get involved in the political process.

Over the past half century, we have seen the transformation of America from a predominantly Christian nation into a largely anti-Christian pagan nation.

I am writing to you because I am very concerned about America's future. Christians and pro-family Americans cannot afford to sit silently on the sidelines any longer.

It is our silence that has allowed the slaughter of 1.5 million unborn children each year. It is our silence that has allowed prayer to be outlawed from the public schools.

It is our silence that allows our government to use our tax money through the National Endowment for the Arts to fund anti-Christian and pornographic "art."

It is our silence that has allowed anti-Christian bigotry to go unchallenged in the media and the popular culture.

Over the next few months and years, we will see escalating attacks on Christians and our values by the media, the schools and our own government.

Anti-Christian bigotry no longer will remain under the surface. It will be out in the open.

That's why your membership in the **Virginia Christian Coalition** is so crucial. There are two membership levels for your convenience. Sustaining Membership is just \$20 per month. Supporting Membership is only \$10 per month.

And with your membership at either level, you will receive:

> > Invitations to Christian Coalition conferences, legislative seminars, and special events;

> > A free subscription to the *Christian American* (the flagship newspaper of Christian Coalition), and a Virginia newsletter to keep you informed on issues of vital importance to Virginia Christians.

Our game plan for 1995 can be summed up in three words -- organize, organize and organize. We are organizing Christians precinct by precinct, and neighborhood by neighborhood.

Our goal of restoring morality to our government will depend on our ability to build strength at the local level. If we win at the local level, the state and national level will follow.

That's why we want to add 10,000 new members in 1995.

We must never forget that there are no short-cuts to success. We must do the hard work in the trenches today if we are to see victory tomorrow.

I urge you to join us in 1995. I also invite you to fill out the enclosed special VIRGINIA SURVEY OF CHRISTIANS.

Our goal is to poll the opinions of thousands of Christians and other pro-family voters in Virginia. This survey will have a major impact because it will show politicians in Virginia the strength of the pro-family movement. This is important for the key legislative battles in the coming weeks and months.

As you may know, most surveys poll the opinions of only a few hundred people. So you can be sure a survey of thousands of Christians will be studied by politicians across the state.

If Christians in Virginia stand united, we can play a key role in stopping America's plunge into moral and social chaos. I ask that you please:

- 1) Fill out the enclosed special 1995 VIRGINIA SURVEY OF CHRISTIANS and mail it back to our Virginia office today in the return envelope provided;
- 2) Don't forget to include your first monthly membership dues of \$20 per month for Sustaining Membership or \$10 per month for Supporting Membership.

Your dues will help us cover the cost of this membership drive and help us reach our goal of 10,000 new members of the **Virginia Christian Coalition**.

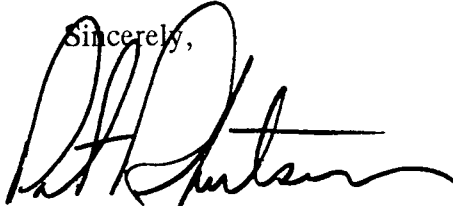
Your contributions will help us teach pro-family candidates how to run winning campaigns for local elective office, train Christians for effective political action, inform Christians of important legislative issues, and protest anti-Christian bigotry.

Thank you in advance for joining with us. Isn't our nation's future and our children's future worth this effort?

I'll be looking for our survey and membership dues to arrive in the next few days. Thank you for helping restore America's greatness through a return to moral strength.

May God bless you. I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pat Robertson', written in a cursive style.

Pat Robertson

P.S. Please complete the enclosed DELIVERY VERIFICATION to let us know you received your survey in good condition.

And prayerfully consider joining the **Virginia Christian Coalition**. Your membership dues - - at either level -- will help us start dozens of new chapters, teach pro-family candidates to run winning campaigns for office, and reach our goal of 10,000 new members of the **Virginia Christian Coalition** by Spring 1995.

Also, don't forget to complete the survey.

VIRGINIA SURVEY OF CHRISTIANS

INSTRUCTIONS: Please put a check mark by your answers and mail the survey back to us in the enclosed return envelope today so we can include your answers in the overall results.

1. Have you voted in the last three elections?
 Yes No

2. Have you ever used the Christian Coalition Voter Guide to help you make voting decisions?
 Yes No

3. Are Christian Coalition Voter Guides distributed in your church?
 Yes No
Name of church _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

4. Would you be more or less likely to support a politician who favors laws allowing abortion-on-demand?
 More likely Less likely No difference
 Undecided I would never vote for such a person.

5. Would you be more or less likely to support a politician who favors a law allowing riverboat and/or casino gambling?
 More Likely Less Likely
 Undecided I would never vote for such a person.

6. Would you be more or less likely to support a politician who opposes allowing voluntary prayer in the public schools?
 More likely Less likely No difference
 Undecided I would never vote for such a person.

7. Would you be more or less likely to support a politician who votes to raise your taxes?
 More likely Less likely No difference
 Undecided I would never vote for such a person.

8. Would you be interested in becoming involved with a local chapter of the Christian Coalition?
 Yes No