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IT IS THE JOB OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE, UNDER OUR FEDERAL-STATE SYSTEM, TO REDISTRICT CONGRESSIONAL BOUNDARIES. IF THE LEGISLATURE FAILS TO DO SO THE FEDERAL COURTS TAKE JURISDICTION.

I BELIEVE STATES WEAKEN THEMSELVES WHEN THEY DO NOT SHAPE THEIR OWN DESTINY TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE AND DESIRABLE.

I AM NOT WILLING TO STAND ASIDE, WASH MY HANDS OF THE MATTER, AND GIVE TO FEDERAL JUDGES THE DISTASTEFUL TASK OF ORDERING OUR OREGON STATE LEGISLATURE TO GO BACK INTO SESSION AND DO ITS JOB. THE COURT WOULD BE, IN EFFECT, TELLING US WHAT WE ALREADY KNOW WE SHOULD DO.

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I BELIEVE THE MAJORITY OF OREGONIANS WANT A LEGISLATURE WHICH ACTS IN ACCORD WITH THE FEDERAL LAW. I BELIEVE THE MAJORITY OF OREGONIANS WANT THIS MATTER CLEARED UP, NOT FURTHER CONFUSED WITH CITIZENS WONDERING WHAT CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT THEY ARE IN.

IN FAIRNESS TO THE FOUR INCUMBENT CONGRESSWOMEN AND CONGRESSMEN I THINK THEY DESERVE TO KNOW THEIR BOUNDARIES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THEY HAVE CHORE ENOUGH IN CAMPAIGNING EVERY OTHER YEAR WITHOUT THE COMPLICATION OF UNNECESSARY DELAY AND UNCERTAINTY.

I HAVE REACHED A DECISION WITH RESPECT TO CALLING THE 53RD LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY BACK INTO SPECIAL SESSION. I BELIEVE IT IS MORALLY RIGHT. I BELIEVE IT KEEPS FAITH WITH THE PEOPLE. I BELIEVE IT IS POLITICALLY PROPER WITH RESPECT TO THE PRESENT

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CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND THEIR POSSIBLE OPPONENTS.

OREGON, UNLIKE A NUMBER OF STATES, HAS NOT SUFFERED FROM SADISTICS GERRYMANDERING FOR PARTISAN POLITICAL GAIN. I BELIEVE IF 90 LEGISLATORS RESTRICT THEIR EFFORTS, THEIR MINDS, AND THEIR HEARTS TO THE SINGLE ISSUE OF CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING-- WITHOUT THE PRESSURES AND PREJUDICES OF A FLOCK OF UNRELATED LEGISLATION--AND GIVE OF THEMSELVES IN SPIRIT OF MUTUAL COOPERATION THE JOB CAN BE DONE. I HAVE BEEN ASSURED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE THEY WILL DEVOTE THEIR BEST EFFORTS TO RESTRICT THE ACTIONS OF THE ASSEMBLY TO THE SINGLE PURPOSE.

OUR LEGISLATORS KNOW THE PROBLEM. THEY ARE ORGANIZED. THEY HAVE LOOKED AT THE MATTER AS A BODY FOR NEARLY FIVE MONTHS.

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IN THE CALM FOLLOWING ADJOURNMENT THEY CAN PREPARE THEMSELVES TO RETURN TO THE CAPITOL FRIDAY, MAY 21, AT 12 NOON, FOR A SPECIAL SESSION. THE PURPOSE HAS BEEN STATED. IF THEY FAIL, THE FEDERAL COURT WILL TAKE ACTION.

I PREFER TO GIVE THE LEGISLATURE--OUR OWN OREGONIANS--THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THE DECISION.

MARK O HATFIELD GOVERNOR.

By	At	To Do

6809 Solkirk Drive
Bethesda, Maryland

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Odom Hatfield

Dear Vic:

Thank you again for
the support & fun in
Innovation. Love
Loren