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## MITT ROMNEY SENDS LETTER IN SUPPORT OF PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION IN UTAH

**Salt Lake City, Utah** – The following letter from Mitt Romney was hand-delivered today to Utah Governor Gary Herbert, Speaker of the Utah House of Representatives Greg Hughes and Utah Senate President Wayne Niederhauser:

Dear Sirs,

Every Utah voter deserves to have their vote counted in the selection of the Republican party's nominee for president in 2016. It is among the most critical responsibilities and privileges of citizenship.

The Executive Committee of the Utah Republican party has voted to use a caucus system rather than a presidential primary. Should that occur, tens of thousands fewer voters will participate in the process. It is a bad decision. Their decision is indicative of an unfortunate pattern where party leadership seems to reject wide participation in favor of small groups of people making decisions for the rest of us. Having participated in presidential election processes nationwide, it is clear to me that the more citizens involved, the better the result.

Legislation enabling the Utah Election Office to organize and fund a 2016 presidential primary in Utah is currently under consideration. I urge you and your colleagues to assure its passage. It would truly be unfortunate if Utah citizens were among the few who are unable to have their vote counted.

Sincerely, Mitt Romney

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