

## STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 4th day of November, 2008, Tom Udall was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of New Mexico a Senator from said State to represent said State in the Senate of the United States for term of six years, beginning on the 3rd day of January, 2009.

Witness: His excellency our governor Bill Richardson, and our seal hereto affixed at Santa Fé this 7th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2008.

By the Governor:

BILL RICHARDSON,  
Governor.

## STATE OF VIRGINIA

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR SIX-YEAR TERM  
To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the fourth day of November, 2008, Mark R. Warner was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the Commonwealth of Virginia to be a Senator from the Commonwealth to represent the Commonwealth in the Senate of the United States for the term of six years, beginning on the third day of January, 2009.

In Testimony Whereof our Governor has hereunto signed his name and affixed the Lesser Seal of the Commonwealth at Richmond, this twenty-fifth day of November, two thousand eight, and in the two-hundred thirty-third year of the Commonwealth.

TIMOTHY M. KAINE,  
Governor.

## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION FOR UNEXPIRED TERM

To the President of the Senate of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 4th day of November, 2008, Roger Wicker was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the State of Mississippi a Senator for the unexpired term ending at noon on the 3rd day of January, 2013, to fill the vacancy in the representation from said State in the Senate of the United States caused by the resignation of Trent Lott.

Witness: His excellency our governor Haley Barbour, and our seal hereto affixed at Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi this 18th day of December, in the year of our Lord 2008.

By the Governor:

HALEY BARBOUR,  
Governor.

## ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE

The VICE PRESIDENT. If the Senators to be sworn in will now present themselves to the desk in groups of four as their names are called in alphabetical order, the Chair will administer their oath of office.

The clerk will read the names of the first group.

The legislative clerk (Kathleen Alvarez Tritak) called the names of Mr. ALXANDER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. BEGICH.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. CORKER, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. BAKER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. TESTER, and Ms. MURKOWSKI, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by

the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will read the names of the next four Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. BIDEN, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COCHRAN, and Ms. COLLINS.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. CARPER, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. WICKER, and Ms. SNOWE, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next four Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. CORNYN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. GRAHAM.

These Senators, escorted by Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. DEMINT, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. JOHANNIS.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. BURR, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KERRY, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. LAUTENBERG.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DOMENICI, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Mr. MENENDEZ, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. PRYOR.

These Senators, escorted by Ms. STABENOW, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. WYDEN, and Mrs. LINCOLN, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. ROCKEFELLER.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BROWNBACK, and Mr. BYRD, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, and Mr. UDALL of New Mexico.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. SHELBY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. DOMENICI, and Mr. BINGAMAN, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

The VICE PRESIDENT. The clerk will call the names of the next group of Senators.

The legislative clerk called the names of Mr. WARNER and Mr. WICKER.

These Senators, escorted by Mr. John Warner and Mr. COCHRAN, respectively, advanced to the desk of the Vice President; the oath prescribed by law was administered to them by the Vice President; and they severally subscribed to the oath in the Official Oath Book.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

(Applause, Senators rising.)

## RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The VICE PRESIDENT. The majority leader is recognized.

## QUORUM CALL

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The VICE PRESIDENT. The absence of a quorum having been suggested, the clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll and the following Senators entered the Chamber and answered to their names:

[Quorum No. 1 Leg.]

Akaka	Feingold	Murkowski
Alexander	Feinstein	Murray
Barrasso	Graham	Nelson, Nebraska
Baucus	Grassley	Nelson, Florida
Bayh	Gregg	Pryor
Begich	Hagan	Reed, Rhode Island
Bennett	Harkin	Reid, Nevada
Biden	Hatch	Risch
Boxer	Hutchison	Roberts
Brown	Inhofe	Rockefeller
Brownback	Inouye	Salazar
Bunning	Isakson	Sanders
Burr	Johanns	Schumer
Byrd	Johnson	Sessions
Cantwell	Kennedy	Shaheen
Cardin	Kerry	Shelby
Carper	Klobuchar	Snowe
Casey	Kyl	Specter
Chambliss	Landrieu	Stabenow
Clinton	Lautenberg	Tester
Coburn	Leahy	Thune
Cochran	Levin	Udall, Colorado
Collins	Lieberman	Udall, New Mexico
Conrad	Lincoln	Vitter
Cornyn	Lugar	Warner
Crapo	McCain	Webb
DeMint	McCaskill	Whitehouse
Dodd	McConnell	Wicker
Dorgan	Menendez	Wyden
Durbin	Merkley	
Enzi	Mikulski	

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER). A quorum is present.

LIST OF SENATORS BY STATES

ALABAMA  
 Jeff Sessions and Richard C. Shelby

ALASKA  
 Mark Begich and Lisa Murkowski

ARIZONA  
 Jon Kyl and John McCain

ARKANSAS  
 Blanche L. Lincoln and Mark L. Pryor

CALIFORNIA  
 Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein

COLORADO  
 Ken Salazar and Mark Udall

CONNECTICUT  
 Christopher J. Dodd and Joseph I. Lieberman

DELAWARE  
 Joe Biden and Thomas R. Carper

FLORIDA  
 Mel Martinez and Bill Nelson

GEORGIA  
 Saxby Chambliss and Johnny Isakson

HAWAII  
 Daniel K. Akaka and Daniel K. Inouye

IDAHO  
 Mike Crapo and James E. Risch

ILLINOIS  
 Richard J. Durbin

INDIANA  
 Evan Bayh and Richard G. Lugar

IOWA  
 Chuck Grassley and Tom Harkin

KANSAS  
 Sam Brownback and Pat Roberts

KENTUCKY  
 Jim Bunning and Mitch McConnell

LOUISIANA  
 Mary L. Landrieu and David Vitter

MAINE  
 Susan M. Collins and Olympia J. Snowe

MARYLAND  
 Benjamin L. Cardin and Barbara A. Mikulski

MASSACHUSETTS  
 Edward M. Kennedy and John F. Kerry

MICHIGAN  
 Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow

MINNESOTA  
 Amy Klobuchar

MISSISSIPPI  
 Thad Cochran and Roger F. Wicker

MISSOURI  
 Christopher S. Bond and Claire McCaskill

MONTANA  
 Max Baucus and Jon Tester

NEBRASKA  
 Mike Johanns and E. Benjamin Nelson

NEVADA  
 John Ensign and Harry Reid

NEW HAMPSHIRE  
 Judd Gregg and Jeanne Shaheen

NEW JERSEY  
 Frank R. Lautenberg and Robert Menendez

NEW MEXICO  
 Jeff Bingaman and Tom Udall

NEW YORK  
 Hillary Rodham Clinton and Charles E. Schumer

NORTH CAROLINA  
 Richard Burr and Kay R. Hagan

NORTH DAKOTA  
 Kent Conrad and Byron L. Dorgan

OHIO  
 Sherrod Brown and George V. Voinovich

OKLAHOMA  
 Tom Coburn and James M. Inhofe

OREGON  
 Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden

PENNSYLVANIA  
 Robert P. Casey, Jr., and Arlen Specter

RHODE ISLAND  
 Jack Reed and Sheldon Whitehouse

SOUTH CAROLINA  
 Jim DeMint and Lindsey Graham

SOUTH DAKOTA  
 Tim Johnson and John Thune

TENNESSEE  
 Lamar Alexander and Bob Corker

TEXAS  
 John Cornyn and Kay Bailey Hutchison

UTAH  
 Robert F. Bennett and Orrin Hatch

VERMONT  
 Patrick J. Leahy and Bernard Sanders

VIRGINIA  
 Mark R. Warner and Jim Webb

WASHINGTON  
 Maria Cantwell and Patty Murray

WEST VIRGINIA  
 Robert C. Byrd and John D. Rockefeller, IV

WISCONSIN  
 Russell D. Feingold and Herb Kohl

WYOMING  
 John Barrasso and Michael B. Enzi

INFORMING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES THAT A QUORUM OF EACH HOUSE IS ASSEMBLED

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have a resolution at the desk and I ask it now be considered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: The resolution (S. Res. 1) informing the President of the United States that a quorum of each House is assembled.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 1) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 1

*Resolved*, That a committee consisting of two Senators be appointed to join such committee as may be appointed by the House of Representatives to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that a quorum of each House is assembled and that the Congress is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was agreed to, and it is my understanding my counterpart also has a motion to make.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

INFORMING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT A QUORUM OF THE SENATE IS ASSEMBLED

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have another resolution at the desk and I ask it now be considered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 2) informing the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the resolution is considered and agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 2) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 2

*Resolved*, That the Secretary inform the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled and that the Senate is ready to proceed to business.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. MCCONNELL. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

SETTING THE DATE OF JANUARY 8, 2009, FOR THE COUNTING OF ELECTORAL VOTES

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I have a concurrent resolution at the desk and I ask it now be considered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 1) to provide for the counting on January 8, 2009, of the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the concurrent resolution is considered and agreed to.