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July 31, 2026

The Honorable Kay Ivey

Governor of Alabama

CC: The Honorable Steve Marshall, Attorney General of Alabama

CC: The Honorable Wes Allen, Secretary of State of Alabama

Dear Governor Ivey:

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The Honorable Mike Dunleavy
Governor of Alaska
CC: The Honorable Cori Mills, Attorney General of Alaska

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The Honorable Katie Hobbs

Governor of Arizona

CC: The Honorable Kris Mayes, Attorney General of Arizona

CC: The Honorable Adrian Fontes, Secretary of State of Arizona

Dear Governor Hobbs:

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The Honorable Sarah Huckabee Sanders

Governor of Arkansas

CC: The Honorable Tim Griffin, Attorney General of Arkansas

CC: The Honorable Cole Jester, Secretary of State of Arkansas

Dear Governor Huckabee Sanders:

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The Honorable Gavin Newsom

Governor of California

CC: The Honorable Rob Bonta, Attorney General of California

CC: The Honorable Shirley Weber, Secretary of State of California

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The Honorable Jared Polis

Governor of Colorado

CC: The Honorable Philip Weiser, Attorney General of Colorado

CC: The Honorable Jena Griswold, Secretary of State of Colorado

Dear Governor Polis:

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The Honorable Ned Lamont

Governor of Connecticut

CC: The Honorable William Tong, Attorney General of Connecticut

CC: The Honorable Stephanie Thomas, Secretary of the State of Connecticut

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The Honorable Matt Meyer

Governor of Delaware

CC: The Honorable Kathy Jennings, Attorney General of Delaware

CC: The Honorable Charuni Patibanda-Sanchez, Secretary of State of Delaware

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The Honorable Ron DeSantis

Governor of Florida

CC: The Honorable James Uthmeier, Attorney General of Florida

CC: The Honorable Cord Byrd, Secretary of State of Florida

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The Honorable Brian Kemp

Governor of Georgia

CC: The Honorable Christopher Carr, Attorney General of Georgia

CC: The Honorable Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State of Georgia

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The Honorable Josh Green

Governor of Hawaii

CC: The Honorable Anne Lopez, Attorney General of Hawaii

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The Honorable Brad Little

Governor of Idaho

CC: The Honorable Raúl Labrador, Attorney General of Idaho

CC: The Honorable Phil McGrane, Secretary of State of Idaho

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The Honorable JB Pritzker

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CC: The Honorable Kwame Raoul, Attorney General of Illinois

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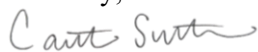
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The Honorable Mike Braun

Governor of Indiana

CC: The Honorable Todd Rokita, Attorney General of Indiana

CC: The Honorable Diego Morales, Secretary of State of Indiana

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Governor of Iowa

CC: The Honorable Brenna Bird, Attorney General of Iowa

CC: The Honorable Paul Pate, Secretary of State of Iowa

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Governor of Kansas

CC: The Honorable Kris Kobach, Attorney General of Kansas

CC: The Honorable Scott Schwab, Secretary of State of Kansas

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Governor of Kentucky

CC: The Honorable Russell Coleman, Attorney General of Kentucky

CC: The Honorable Michael Adams, Secretary of State of Kentucky

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The Honorable Jeff Landry

Governor of Louisiana

CC: The Honorable Liz Murrill, Attorney General of Louisiana

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The Honorable Janet Mills

Governor of Maine

CC: The Honorable Aaron Frey, Attorney General of Maine

CC: The Honorable Shenna Bellows, Secretary of State of Maine

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The Honorable Wes Moore

Governor of Maryland

CC: The Honorable Anthony G. Brown, Attorney General of Maryland

CC: The Honorable Susan C. Lee, Secretary of State of Maryland

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The Honorable Maura Healey

Governor of Massachusetts

CC: The Honorable Andrea Joy Campbell, Attorney General of Massachusetts

CC: The Honorable William Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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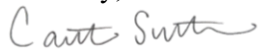
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The Honorable Gretchen Whitmer

Governor of Michigan

CC: The Honorable Dana Nessel, Attorney General of Michigan

CC: The Honorable Jocelyn Benson, Secretary of State of Michigan

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The Honorable Tim Walz

Governor of Minnesota

CC: The Honorable Keith Ellison, Attorney General of Minnesota

CC: The Honorable Steve Simon, Secretary of State of Minnesota

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The Honorable Tate Reeves

Governor of Mississippi

CC: The Honorable Lynn Fitch, Attorney General of Mississippi

CC: The Honorable Michael Watson Jr., Secretary of State of Mississippi

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The Honorable Mike Kehoe

Governor of Missouri

CC: The Honorable Catherine Hanaway, Attorney General of Missouri

CC: The Honorable Denny Hoskins, Secretary of State of Missouri

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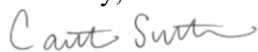
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The Honorable Greg Gianforte

Governor of Montana

CC: The Honorable Austin Knudsen, Attorney General of Montana

CC: The Honorable Christi Jacobsen, Secretary of State of Montana

Dear Governor Gianforte:

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The Honorable Jim Pillen

Governor of Nebraska

CC: The Honorable Mike Hilgers, Attorney General of Nebraska

CC: The Honorable Robert Evnen, Secretary of State of Nebraska

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The Honorable Joe Lombardo

Governor of Nevada

CC: The Honorable Aaron D. Ford, Attorney General of Nevada

CC: The Honorable Francisco Aguilar, Secretary of State of Nevada

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The Honorable Kelly Ayotte

Governor of New Hampshire

CC: The Honorable John Formella, Attorney General of New Hampshire

CC: The Honorable David Scanlan, Secretary of State of New Hampshire

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The Honorable Mikie Sherrill

Governor of New Jersey

CC: The Honorable Jennifer Davenport, Attorney General of New Jersey

CC: The Honorable Dale Caldwell, Secretary of State of New Jersey

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The Honorable Michelle Lujan Grisham

Governor of New Mexico

CC: The Honorable Raúl Torrez, Attorney General of New Mexico

CC: The Honorable Maggie Toulouse Oliver, Secretary of State of New Mexico

Dear Governor Lujan Grisham:

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The Honorable Kathy Hochul

Governor of New York

CC: The Honorable Letitia A. James, Attorney General of New York

CC: The Honorable Walter Mosley, Secretary of State of New York

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The Honorable Josh Stein

Governor of North Carolina

CC: The Honorable Jeff Jackson, Attorney General of North Carolina

CC: The Honorable Elaine Marshall, Secretary of State of North Carolina

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The Honorable Kelly Armstrong

Governor of North Dakota

CC: The Honorable Drew Wrigley, Attorney General of North Dakota

CC: The Honorable Michael Howe, Secretary of State of North Dakota

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The Honorable Mike DeWine

Governor of Ohio

CC: The Honorable Andy Wilson, Attorney General of Ohio

CC: The Honorable Frank LaRose, Secretary of State of Ohio

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The Honorable Kevin Stitt

Governor of Oklahoma

CC: The Honorable Gentner Drummond, Attorney General of Oklahoma

CC: The Honorable Benjamin M. Lepak, Secretary of State of Oklahoma

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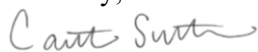
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The Honorable Tina Kotek

Governor of Oregon

CC: The Honorable Dan Rayfield, Attorney General of Oregon

CC: The Honorable Tobias Read, Secretary of State of Oregon

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The Honorable Josh Shapiro

Governor of Pennsylvania

CC: The Honorable Dave Sunday, Attorney General of Pennsylvania

CC: The Honorable Al Schmidt, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

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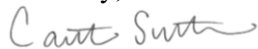
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The Honorable Dan McKee

Governor of Rhode Island

CC: The Honorable Peter Neronha, Attorney General of Rhode Island

CC: The Honorable Gregg Amore, Secretary of State of Rhode Island

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Governor of South Carolina

CC: The Honorable Alan Wilson, Attorney General of South Carolina

CC: The Honorable Mark Hammond, Secretary of State of South Carolina

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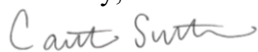
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Governor of South Dakota

CC: The Honorable Marty Jackley, Attorney General of South Dakota

CC: The Honorable Monae Johnson, Secretary of State of South Dakota

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Governor of Tennessee

CC: The Honorable Jonathan Skrmetti, Attorney General of Tennessee

CC: The Honorable Tre Hargett, Secretary of State of Tennessee

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The Honorable Greg Abbott

Governor of Texas

CC: The Honorable Ken Paxton, Attorney General of Texas

CC: The Honorable Robert Howden, Secretary of State of Texas

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The Honorable Spencer Cox

Governor of Utah

CC: The Honorable Derek E. Brown, Attorney General of Utah

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The Honorable Phil Scott

Governor of Vermont

CC: The Honorable Charity R. Clark, Attorney General of Vermont

CC: The Honorable Sarah Copeland Hanzas, Secretary of State of Vermont

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The Honorable Abigail Spanberger

Governor of Virginia

CC: The Honorable Jay Jones, Attorney General of Virginia

CC: The Honorable Candi Mundon King, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Virginia

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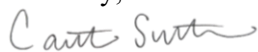
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The Honorable Bob Ferguson

Governor of Washington

CC: The Honorable Nick Brown, Attorney General of Washington

CC: The Honorable Steve Hobbs, Secretary of State of Washington

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The Honorable Patrick Morrisey

Governor of West Virginia

CC: The Honorable John B. McCuskey, Attorney General of West Virginia

CC: The Honorable Kris Warner, Secretary of State of West Virginia

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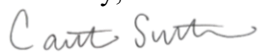
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The Honorable Tony Evers

Governor of Wisconsin

CC: The Honorable Josh Kaul, Attorney General of Wisconsin

CC: The Honorable Sarah Godlewski, Secretary of State of Wisconsin

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This issue should not be partisan. Americans of all ideological backgrounds agree that our nation’s laws, elections, and public debates should be shaped by American citizens and lawful domestic stakeholders, not by foreign billionaires, foreign “charities,” or overseas entities exploiting legal loopholes. We created this database because our leaders cannot combat this threat in the dark. The information is available. The threat is real. And with the midterm elections approaching, the time is now.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Caitlin Sutherland".

Caitlin Sutherland

Executive Director

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