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## **Imagine! Studios Strongly Endorses Republican Ron Paul for U.S. President**

Dear Friends,

For the sake of all that we have come to love about America, we strongly urge you to vote for Ron Paul in your state's upcoming Republican primary election or caucus, and to urge as many of your friends, family and neighbors as possible to do the same.

**Out of all the candidates for president, Ron Paul alone firmly upholds the principles upon which our nation was founded and that have made America great.**

Many settlers came to America to escape the religious persecution that was occurring in other parts of the world by oppressive governments and seek the freedom to live according to their own conscience. When the government of Britain became tyrannical, our founding fathers formed and fought dearly for an independent and sovereign nation that sought to recognize the individual God-given rights of every person and insure freedom and justice for all. While in practice our nation has never been perfect, it is those ideals we should continue to protect and defend.

In order to have freedom, where we the people rather than the government determine what we do with our lives, we must have limited government. The founders of our nation including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin and James Madison understood this, so they drafted a Constitution that limited the powers of the government, distributing these powers among three separate branches, while protecting the freedoms and rights of the states and the people from the control of the federal government.

However, we have since drifted away from this principle. Today, politicians all too often are the ones making the decisions we ourselves, our families, our churches, and our communities ought to be making. Today, we find the government interfering in our freedom to choose our healthcare, the education for our children, our private property rights, our free market economy, our right to keep the money we earn, our freedom to exercise our religion, our freedom of speech, our privacy... where will it stop?

Ron Paul stands alone in his founding-father-emulating commitment to protecting our lives from unnecessary and dangerous control by the government by only acting in areas the federal government is permitted and authorized to by our Constitution, the primary contract between "We the People" and the federal government of The United States. He believes in the rule of law and obeying that Constitution, and has the voting record to prove it. Ron Paul wants to be president because he doesn't want to run our lives, the economy and the world. He simply wants to protect our country and the liberty of its citizens. Freedom – that's what America is all about.

**Ron Paul is the only candidate who is adequately addressing the serious financial problems our nation is facing and has the correct solution for it.**

Our nation is in serious financial trouble, and we are seeing signs of it everywhere in our economy. Right now our country is nearly \$10 trillion in debt, with nearly \$60 trillion in total liabilities. Much of that debt is owed to foreign countries like China and Saudi Arabia who are financing it. Not only is this hard on our economy, but it compromises our national security. Yet the federal government is still spending about \$250 billion dollars each year more than it brings in, and our debt is increasing an unbelievable \$1 million *every minute*, \$1.4 billion every single day!

Just as it is unwise for an individual to live beyond his means, it is unwise for our nation to live beyond its means. At some point in time, the bills will become due. And who pays? We all do.

Ron Paul is the only candidate seriously committed to balancing our budget, cutting government spending, and reducing our debt. He is not just saying that, either. He has a proven track record spanning 30 years in Congress voting never to raise taxes, never to take money out of Social Security, and never to have an unbalanced budget. He's never voted to raise congressional pay, never taken a government-paid junket, and never participated in the congressional pension program. He returns a portion of his annual congressional budget to the U.S. Treasury every year. Think about that.

Ron Paul also wants to transition the country away from the federal welfare state and do away with the federal income tax system that is such a burden to taxpayers, because he believes we should have the right to keep what we earn and the freedom to use it how we believe we should. He has correctly pointed out that the federal income tax, which the U.S. did fine without for most of its history, can be eliminated—and not replaced with a “fair tax” or any other tax—and the federal government would still bring in the same amount of revenue it did only 10 years ago. Coupled with his dedication to cut government spending, this would go a long way in solving our financial woes.

In addition, Ron Paul is committed to transitioning away from the unconstitutional Federal Reserve central banking system, which causes inflation by perpetually creating fiat or paper money. By artificially increasing our money supply, it allows the government to spend even more and causes the value of our money to go down, hence why our dollar is now plummeting in value and our cost of living is rising. In addition, the Federal Reserve causes other economic problems we are experiencing today by artificially lowering interest rates beneath healthy market rates. This is what has caused the current crisis in the housing market. Ron Paul wants to reintroduce the sound money system authorized by our Constitution. Thomas Jefferson and Andrew Jackson got rid of the central bank. So why do we put up with it?

A student of economics, Ron Paul is the only candidate who understands these important issues and will do something about it.

## **Ron Paul is the only one who has a sensible foreign policy.**

Throughout most of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, the United States has adopted a policy of intervening in the affairs of other countries around the world when our self defense has not warranted it. We give enormous foreign aid to other countries, supply other countries with weapons, commit our military to defend other nations, plot to overthrow or prop up other governments, and even start wars with countries whose governments we don't like. For instance, our government has not only supported Saddam Hussein in the past, but Osama bin Laden and Pakistan's former dictator. While intentions may have been good, time and again history has shown that meddling in the affairs of other nations causes problems and unintended consequences for us. One of the reasons the terrorists gave for attacking us on 9/11/01 was the presence of our military bases in Saudi Arabia. Instead, Ron Paul wants to follow the advice of our founders like George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and James Madison who clearly advised us to stay out of entangling alliances with and the internal affairs of other nations.

The current war in Iraq is a very massive and costly commitment by the United States to something that was not necessary for our national defense. Iraq was not behind the terrorist attacks of 9/11/01, and did not pose a direct, definite threat to the American people. Instead, our government had resolved to overthrow Saddam Hussein in 1998, long before 9/11. On top of that, the war was not declared by Congress as required by the Constitution. Article 1, Section 8 states that only Congress has the power to declare war, yet Congress illegally transferred the power to declare war to the President if he wanted to. Our federal government is now engaged in policing other countries and nation-building, activities that are not authorized by the Constitution, and that George W. Bush originally condemned when he ran for President in the year 2000.

Even if the war was justified legally and/or morally, we simply cannot afford to continue it. Our government is paying for it by borrowing enormous sums of money and going deeper and deeper into debt. We as a nation must live within our means and be good stewards of our resources. American families should not be forced to finance this debt through current and future taxes when some families are struggling to make ends meet as it is, partially due to our tax system. People may still help out the people of Iraq through private charity, not unconstitutional government actions.

Ron Paul wants to end our unnecessary engagements in other countries around the world that are draining our resources (including the health and morale of our troops) and that lead to unintended consequences. At the same time, he supports maintaining a strong national defense and supports war only when it is properly declared by Congress and absolutely necessary for the defense of our country, which is in line with the Christian Just War Theory. As a member of Congress he voted to use force to bring Osama bin Laden and Al Qaeda to justice, however does not support the current nation- building going on in Afghanistan and Iraq, which has distracted us from that original goal. He is dedicated to securing our borders here, taking care of illegal immigration without granting amnesty by getting rid of the incentives that bring them here illegally like the promise of free health care and education, and protecting our national security and sovereignty by opposing the giving up of power and freedoms to supranational and global government.

**Ron Paul is committed to protecting all human life.**

Ron Paul is an OB/GYN doctor who has delivered 4,000 babies and understands the legal and moral rights of the unborn. He is the author of legislation in Congress that would negate Roe vs. Wade, which he firmly believes is an unconstitutional intrusion by the federal government, keep the federal government from supporting abortion, and allow states to again make abortion illegal. As a result of his strong pro-life action and voting record, he has won the endorsement of respected pro-life organizations and leaders.

**Ron Paul is the candidate the people, not the big corporations, special interests, or big corporate media, want.**

You may not have heard much about Ron Paul in the mainstream media because they are purposefully downplaying him and his success. They do not want you to know about him, and they do not want him to win, because he is dealing with the real problems of our government that so many big corporations and special interests benefit from at the expense of the American people. But despite their efforts, Ron Paul has gained astonishing support all across the nation. He has placed very well in several Republican primaries to date, taking second place in many. He holds the record for the largest one-day political fundraiser in American history: over \$6 million dollars in one day from his supporters. He also has raised more money than any other Republican candidate from those in our military. The top 3 contributors to his campaign are the U.S. Army, the U.S. Navy, and the U.S. Air Force. This is BIG. Please throw all your support into getting Ron Paul elected, spread the word, and quickly. Tell everyone you know. Feel free to share this endorsement with others. Let's keep America the great nation our founding fathers intended it to be.

The choice for America's next president is clear: Republican Ron Paul.

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