

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

February 15, 2008

The Honorable John B. Shadegg
306 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear John,

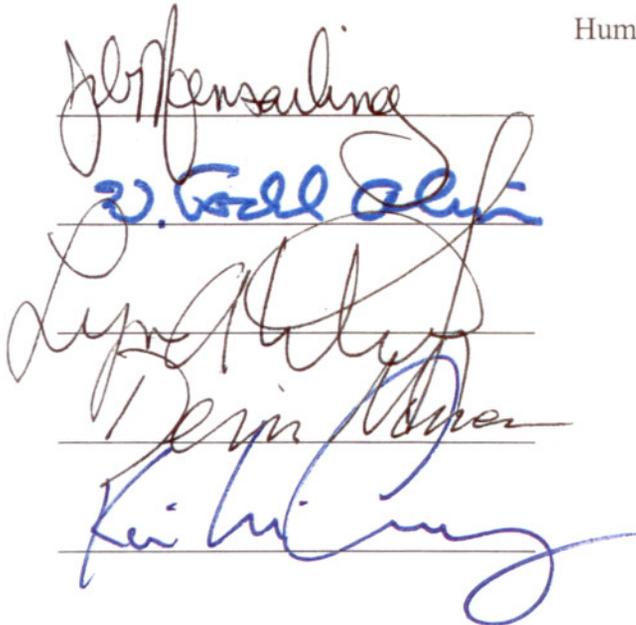
As your colleagues, your fellow conservatives, and your friends, we sincerely ask that you reconsider your decision to retire from Congress.

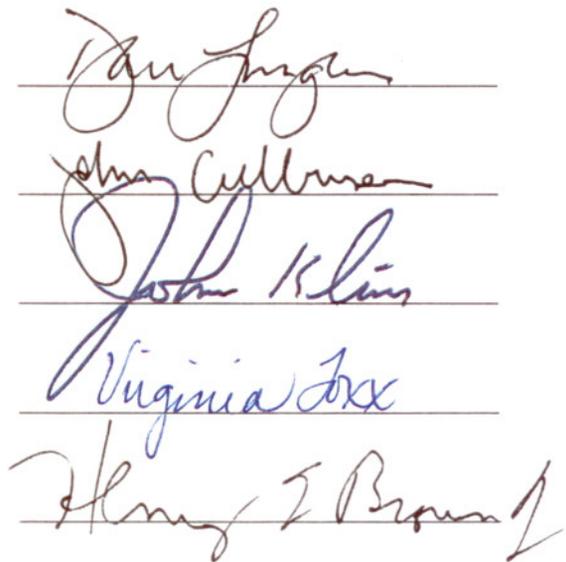
As chairman of the Republican Study Committee, a Member of House leadership, and a leader in the Conservative Movement, you are helping Republicans return to core principles. Your intellectual consistency in defense of the Constitution and passionate articulation of conservative principles is in need now more than ever. We fear that without you and the long-term perspective you bring to every debate, our battles will be difficult to win. This is especially true in the area of health care where you are one of the leading experts.

John, you continue to inspire, embolden, and lead. The Republican Conference needs you here, the Conservative Movement needs you here, and the country needs you here.

Please reconsider.

Humbly,


The left side of the document features five handwritten signatures in blue ink, each written over a horizontal line. From top to bottom, the signatures are: 1. A signature that appears to be 'John Shadegg'. 2. A signature that appears to be 'V. Todd Allen'. 3. A signature that appears to be 'Lynn Boyer'. 4. A signature that appears to be 'Darin Brown'. 5. A signature that appears to be 'Ken Williams'.


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