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GOVERNOR

March 6, 2009

President Barack Obama  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

**Subject: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Certification**

Dear Mr. President:

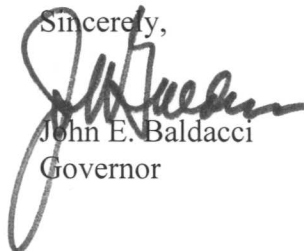
This letter is intended to fulfill my obligation under Section 1607 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 ("the Act"), which provides the following:

SEC. 1607. (a) CERTIFICATION BY GOVERNOR.—Not later than 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act, for funds provided to any State or agency thereof, the Governor of the State shall certify that: (1) the State will request and use funds provided by this Act; and (2) the funds will be used to create jobs and promote economic growth.

I hereby certify on behalf of the people of the State of Maine that we will request and accept funds provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and use such funds to create jobs and promote economic growth in a manner that is in the best interests of the taxpayers of the State of Maine.

Should you require anything additional regarding this certification, or otherwise regarding ARRA implementation in Maine, please contact Ryan Low, my budget and finance director.

Sincerely,



John E. Baldacci  
Governor

cc: Peter Orszag, Director, Office of Management and Budget

