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States, do hereby proclaim September 22, 2008, as Family Day. I call upon the people of the United States to observe this day by engaging in activities that strengthen the bonds between children and parents.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this nineteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand eight, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-third.

George W. Bush

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Memorandum on Use of the Department of the Treasury's Exchange Stabilization Fund To Support a Guaranty Facility for Certain Money Market Mutual Funds

September 19, 2008

Memorandum for the Secretary of the Treasury

Subject: Use of the Department of the Treasury's Exchange Stabilization Fund To Support a Guaranty Facility for Certain Money Market Mutual Funds

Pursuant to section 10(b) of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934, as amended, 31 U.S.C. 5302(b), I approve the use of funds from the Exchange Stabilization Fund to provide up to $50 billion as a guaranty facility for certain money market mutual funds, consistent with your recommendation to me and the terms and conditions set out in your memorandum to me dated September 18, 2008.

George W. Bush

NOTE: An original was not available for the verification of the content of this memorandum.

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

September 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Then, in the Situation Room, he participated in a video teleconference briefing on Hurricane Ike with officials from the National Hurricane Center, Department of Homeland Security, and Federal Emergency Management Agency.

The President declared a major disaster in Texas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Ike beginning on September 7 and continuing.

The President declared a major disaster in Louisiana and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Ike beginning on September 11 and continuing.

The President made additional disaster assistance available to Texas by authorizing an increase in the level of Federal funding for debris removal undertaken as a result of Hurricane Ike that struck the State beginning on September 7 and continuing.

September 14

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Secretary of Homeland Security Michael Chertoff to discuss Hurricane Ike.

September 15

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President met with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., to discuss the financial markets situation. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with the Boys and Girls Clubs of America regional finalists for Youth of the Year.

In the evening, on the North Portico, the President and Mrs. Bush greeted President John Agyekum Kufuor of Ghana and his wife,

Theresa. Then, in the Grand Foyer, they participated in a photo opportunity with President Kufuor and Mrs. Kufuor. Later, in the Rose Garden, the President, Mrs. Bush, President Kufuor, and Mrs. Kufuor viewed entertainment.

The President announced the designation of U.S. Ambassador to China Clark T. Randt, Jr., as his delegate to attend the closing ceremony of the Paralympic Games on September 17 in Beijing, China.

September 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Houston, TX. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., to discuss the financial markets situation.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Galveston, TX, where, aboard Marine One, he took an aerial tour of areas damaged by Hurricane Ike. Later, at the City of Galveston Emergency Operations Center, he participated in a briefing on Hurricane Ike damage and recovery efforts. He then returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the afternoon.

Later in the afternoon, in the Roosevelt Room, the President met with the President's Working Group on Financial Markets.

The President made additional disaster assistance available to Texas by authorizing an extension of 100 percent in the level of Federal funding for debris removal and emergency protective measures undertaken as a result of Hurricane Ike that struck the State beginning on September 7 and continuing.

The President announced his intention to nominate Cheryl Feldman Halpern to be a U.S. Alternate Representative to the 63d Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The President announced that he has nominated James W. Ceaser to be a member of the National Council on the Humanities.

The President announced that he has nominated Anthony H. Gioia, Bob Corker, and Bill Nelson to be U.S. Representatives to the 63d Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The President announced that he has nominated Karen Elliot House to be a U.S. Alternate Representative to the 63d Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The President announced his intention to appoint R. Timothy Ziemer as Coordinator of U.S. Government Activities To Combat Malaria Globally.

The President announced his intention to appoint Byron R. Johnson, Roland C. Warren, and Harry Wilson as members of the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Board of Directors of the Vietnam Education Foundation: Viet Dinh; Elizabeth Dugan; Chrisopher J. Fussner; and Stephen F. Maxner.

September 17

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President received diplomatic credentials from Russia's Ambassador to the U.S. Sergey I. Kislyak.

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., to discuss the financial markets situation.

September 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., to discuss the financial markets situation.

In the afternoon, the President met with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., to discuss the financial markets situation. Later, at the Naval Observatory, he attended a barbecue for wounded veterans and their families hosted by Lynne Cheney, wife of Vice President Dick Cheney.

In the evening, the President met with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., and his senior economic advisers to discuss the financial markets situation.

The President declared a major disaster in Arkansas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding associated with Hurricane Gustav from September 2–8.

September 19

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had separate telephone conversations with Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell to thank them for meeting with his economic advisers and to discuss the financial markets situation.

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with House Republican Leader John A. Boehner to thank him for meeting with his economic advisers and to discuss the financial markets situation. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with recipients of the Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award.

The White House announced that the President will host President Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen) of the Palestinian Authority at the White House on September 25.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted September 15

Barry C. Barish,
of California, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014 (reappointment).

Ray M. Bowen,
of Texas, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014 (reappointment).

France A. Cordova,
of Indiana, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014, vice Jo Anne Vasquez, term expired.

Edwin Eck,
of Montana, to be a member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term expiring September 14, 2013 (reappointment).

William E. Grayson,
of California, to be a member of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board for a term expiring September 14, 2010, vice Nancy Killefer, term expired.

Esin Gulari,
of South Carolina, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014, vice Daniel E. Hastings, term expired.

G. P. Peterson,
of Colorado, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014, vice Karl Hess, term expired.

Douglas D. Randall,
of Missouri, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014 (reappointment).

Diane L. Souvaine,
of Massachusetts, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014, vice Kenneth M. Ford, term expired.

Withdrawn September 15

Jeffrey A. Taylor,
of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia for the term of 4 years, vice Kenneth L. Wainstein, resigned, which was sent to the Senate on February 27, 2007.

Submitted September 16

James W. Ceaser,
of Virginia, to be a member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2014, vice Celeste Colgan, term expired.