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November 9, 2012

The Honorable Barack Obama
President of the United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

The global membership of the African Methodist Episcopal Church—the Council of Bishops, and the Commission on Social Action that successfully reached its goal of mobilizing more than one million (1,000,000) voters for the November 6th election—join in expressions of congratulations on your election to a second term as President of the United States of America. All Americans should feel empowered and emboldened by their participation in the process. To God be the Glory!

Count on the African Methodist Episcopal Church to be a partner with you and the leadership team that you select to address domestic challenges, global issues, and galactic exploration. Our commitment to this ministry can be summarized as follows: “The African Methodist Episcopal Church must fully identify with the poor and the oppressed in their struggle for human dignity. That this participation in human development is not optional, nor is it an addendum to an already crowded agenda. It must be the very heart of the life and work of the church.” We have assumed a posture of expectancy in response to your prediction that, “The best is yet to come.”

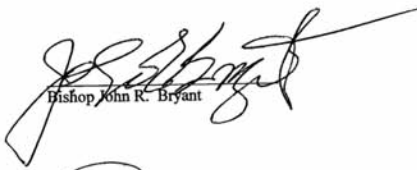
The African Methodist Episcopal Church declared at its founding two hundred and twenty five (225) years ago that mediocrity and discrimination are not of God. Just as our founder, Richard Allen, rejoiced 225 years ago as the United States of America crafted its Constitution—our Constitution—we will join forces with persons of good will who combat these forces in the halls of government, in neighborhoods, or in the world community.

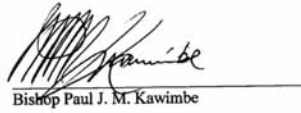
We will continue to pray for you and for your family. We remain committed to working with you in convincing those who have not caught the vision for freedom with dignity.

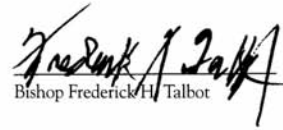
Thank you, Mr. President, for being a person that America can believe in. Thank you for your Christian witness. And thank you for being obedient in answering the call to serve.

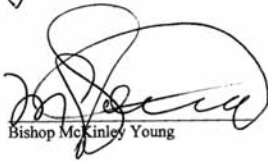
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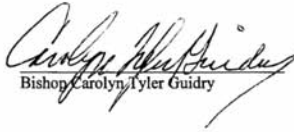
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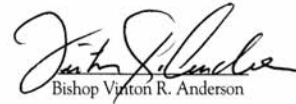

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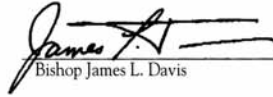

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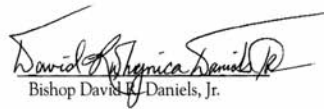

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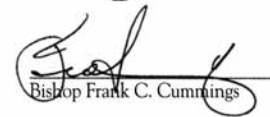

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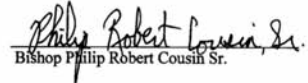

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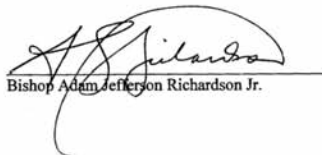

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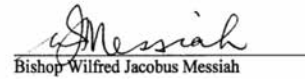

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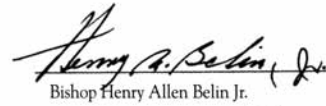

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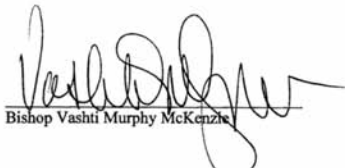

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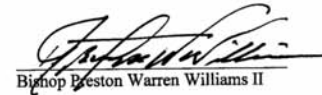

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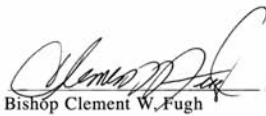

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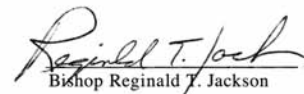

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