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DRAFT:

Dear All,

In case you missed it, last week, Sen. Paul Thurmond at the Ethics Reform Event in Charleston challenged his fellow Senators to pass ethics reform quickly. He publicly stated that he would ask his colleagues to vote for cloture and vote against adjourning debate. We are fully supportive of Sen. Thurmond's challenge and would like to ask you if your coalition would be willing to develop a "pledge" that would have key points (including voting for cloture and against adjourning debate) to be sent to all Senators to encourage them to sign before session.

This is an idea that we are presenting to you for your consideration. We would like to continue to build the momentum up to the beginning of session and believe your involvement is most helpful for this type of pledge. It could really push the message (we could e-blast it out to supporters and push through other mediums as well to get citizens involved). Please let me know if you support this idea. I am happy to talk about it as well anytime. My cell is 803-665-0259.

Hope you have a great Thanksgiving.

Thanks,  
Swati

"We are going to have an ethics all-nighter." – Sen. Paul Thurmond (Post and Courier)