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**Re: *Washington State Republican Party, et al. v. Washington State Grange, et al.***  
**Case No. 11-35124**

Dear Office of the Clerk:

Pursuant to Ninth Circuit Rule 34-3, Appellant Washington State Republican Party informs the Court that it believes the case before the Court is entitled to priority in hearing date. Ninth Circuit rule 34-3(3) provides that civil appeals categorized as applications for temporary or permanent injunctions will receive hearing or submission priority. Appellant has filed a civil appeal from the opinion below denying its application for a permanent injunction. Appellant will file its opening brief on June 6, 2011. Accordingly, Appellant respectfully requests that the Court give this case priority in hearing date.

The Washington State Democratic Central Committee has filed a similar letter in the companion case, Case No. 11-35122.

Very truly yours,

LIVENGOOD, FITZGERALD,  
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s/ John J. White, Jr.

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