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September 12, 2008

The Honorable John Warner  
United States Senate  
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Dear Senator Warner:

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Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable Preston M. "Pete" Geren III, Secretary of the United States Army  
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