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Dear Mr. Lederberg:

Thank you for your recent letter dealing with S. J. Res. 1.

I recognize that nothing in the proposed Constitutional Amendment would preclude a pair of candidates who have agreed to run together from appearing on the ballots of different states, each running for President in some states and Vice President in other states. However, we feel that since the candidates have to agree to run together as a pair, there would be no problem in getting them to agree between themselves as to which would run for President, and which for Vice President. Since you have brought this question to my attention, however, I will check with my staff to make sure that our earlier supposition was correct.

It is always pleasing to receive the views of those like you who have given a good deal of careful consideration to the language of S.J. Res. 1 or other pending legislation.

Thank you again for taking the time to send your thoughts on this important matter to me.

Sincerely,

Birch Bayh, Chairman Subcommittee on Constitutional

Amendments

The amendment does not pin them down to make and publicize such a commitment.