



April 5, 2007

Dear Presidential Candidate,

We write on behalf of ADAPT, the American Association of People with Disabilities (AAPD), National Council on Independent Living (NCIL), and Self Advocates Becoming Empowered (SABE) to explore your policy agenda as it would effect the more than 50 million Americans with disabilities. All four of our national, cross-disability membership organizations are nonpartisan and share the goal of self-determination and full participation in all aspects of society for our community.

In an effort to inform our members of the candidates' policy priorities and concerns, ADAPT, AAPD, NCIL, and SABE have created questions that address the issues most important to our members. We would like candidates to respond to these questions with the intention of sharing candidates' answers not only to our own members but also beyond our membership bases by posting the responses on our websites and circulating the responses over our national email listservs.

Please respond to the attached list of questions as soon as possible but no later than May 31, 2007. Please send responses electronically to Anne Sommers at aapdanne@earthlink.net. Feel free to address any questions or concerns to us directly using the information provided below.

Thank you for your attention and concern.

Respectfully,

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