January 23, 2008

The Honorable Chris Nelson
Secretary of State
Capitol Building
500 East Capitol Avenue Ste 204
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Dear Secretary Nelson:

I write this letter to request that my name, Mitt Romney, be placed on the ballot for the upcoming South Dakota Republican presidential primary currently scheduled for June 3, 2008.

As you know, South Dakota law requires a presidential candidate to notify the secretary of state of an intention to have the name of the candidate placed on the presidential primary election ballot[.]”SDCL §12-5-3.14. This letter serves as notification of my intention to have my name placed on the South Dakota primary ballot.

I trust that my name will therefore be placed on the Republican presidential primary ballot pursuant to §12-5-3.14. Please return the attached document to confirm your receipt of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact my Legal office at 857.288.6682 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Mitt Romney