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Dear Fellow Republican,

The definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again, while expecting different results.

More and more, we are seeing a new breed of politician with an insatiable lust for power. It is this type of flawed leadership that not only holds back our state, but also helped create the present economic downturn and budget deficits.

Over the years, our elected officials have refused to make the hard decisions that we elected them to make, and have, instead, chosen to protect their incumbency. Retention of power has become more important to politicians than the people of our great state.

I was born and raised in Maryland. Together with my wife of 40 years, Melinda, we have raised our children and now our grandchildren in Maryland. We have called Maryland home for our entire lives. I have a deep and abiding love for our state and for the people and I am saddened, every day, as our state heads in the wrong direction.

Our next Governor must be the driving force behind finding the answers to our state's economic woes. That's why I am seriously considering running for Governor.

I strongly believe that it is time to completely overhaul our state government. We must structurally change the way our government does business.

For too long, Annapolis has refused to recognize the link between the state tax structure and economic activity. This has resulted in the loss of businesses and, more importantly, jobs.

In addition to making structural changes to our state budget, we must create a new and exciting economic development system that not only helps to encourage businesses to stay and grow in Maryland, but also creates an environment in which new businesses and industries will spring up creating new job opportunities.

Finally, in order to make this work, we must have an educational system that will prepare our children and our grandchildren for the ever changing world. As a 34 year educator in the Maryland public schools, whose job it was to prepare the next generation of leaders, I well know that in order to create an environment that will allow businesses to grow and create new jobs, we must have an educated workforce that will meet the needs of these businesses.

That's why I'm writing you today.

As a leader in the Republican Party, you know how important it is that we elect a fiscal conservative with the experience, wisdom, maturity and backbone to take on the status quo without fear of political retaliation. *Will you help me by joining my Steering Committee?*

As a member of my Steering Committee, I will keep you informed about the "behind the scenes" progress of my campaign, let you know when I am in your area, and ask your advice on issues and campaign strategy. As someone who has been deeply involved in our Party, I don't have to tell you how important a Steering Committee is to a campaign and how important it is that we get a head start in this deep blue state.

So won't you please join me today?

The problems we are facing are immense, and they will require a Governor who is prepared to make the hard choices, not one concerned with the next election or the next office.

I am not seeking office so that I can build a political resume, I have one. I am not seeking the Governor's office so I can leave and move to a private sector job.

I'm seriously considering running because I believe my background and experience has well prepared me to help solve the problems we are facing.

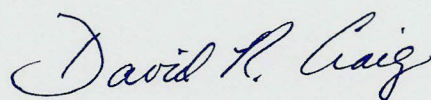
But I cannot do this alone. Please accept my steering committee invitation today by sending a contribution of \$500, \$100, \$75 or \$50. ~~It is a small investment for a better tomorrow.~~

Campaigns are expensive nowadays, so I must rely on Republican friends who share my desire in electing a Governor who will be a proud supporter of the Reagan Doctrine of less government and greater individual responsibility.

I'm convinced that if we get an early start, we can win. So please accept the invitation to join my Steering Committee.

Your support would be truly appreciated.

Sincerely,



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P.S. Please consider this your personal call to action. We need new leadership in Annapolis with the wisdom, maturity and willpower to make the structural changes that put Maryland back on track. Your participation in the Steering Committee and donation to Craig 2014 will show that Republicans are united in winning the Governor's office and fixing our state's problem. I hope that I can count on you. Please let me hear from you today. Thank you.