

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

April 24, 2009

Mr. Arthur O. Sulzberger, Jr.
Chairman
The New York Times Company
620 Eighth Avenue
New York, NY 10018

Dear Mr. Sulzberger:

We are concerned over the future of *The Boston Globe* in light of reports that the New York Times Company is seriously considering shutting the doors of our hometown newspaper.

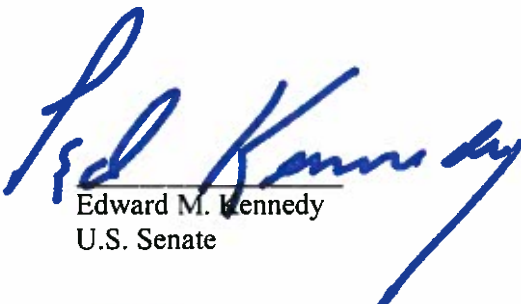
For well over a century, *The Globe* has been an immense asset to Boston and all of New England. It's been the paper of record; a force for positive change and civic activism; a cultural touch point; and a workplace that has always valued the contributions of every employee from typesetters, press operators, mailers and drivers to reporters and editors. It's been a consistent source of news for the people of Massachusetts, and a constant reminder that the press serves an indispensable role in our free society.

We understand the serious financial challenges facing the newspaper industry today. The ramifications, however, of closing *The Boston Globe* would far outlive the current recession. *The Globe* has a long-established public trust with this community and the New England region. Its closure would be an irreplaceable loss for our city, state, and region and for countless readers across the nation.

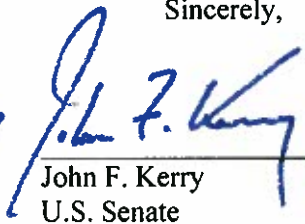
The hard-working men and women of *The Boston Globe* know better than anyone that sacrifices will be necessary to continue the newspaper. We urge you to treat *The Globe* fairly and to work together on a solution to this immediate crisis that preserves the newspaper for the future.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and we look forward to discussing *The Globe's* future with you at your convenience.

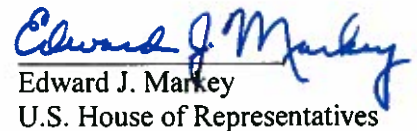
Sincerely,



Edward M. Kennedy
U.S. Senate



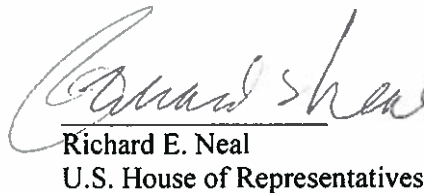
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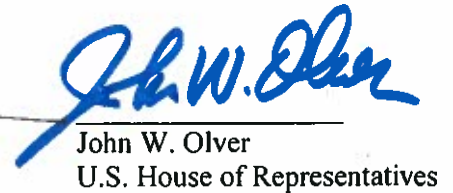
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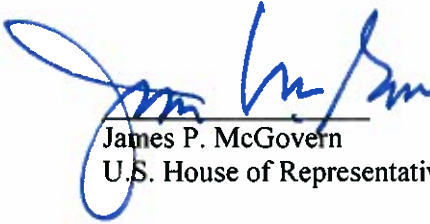


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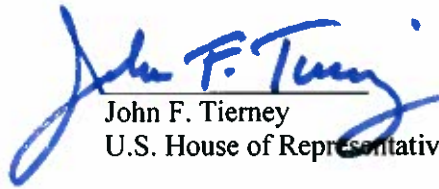


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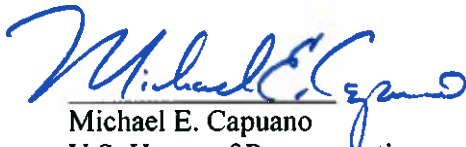
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