

July 22, 2008

Honorable Jack Wagner
Auditor General
Friends of Jack Wagner
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Dear Mr. Jack Wagner:

As you are aware the election is quickly approaching, with only fifteen weeks remaining. I would like to propose a series of joint discussions between you and me about the role of the Pennsylvania Auditor General, how the office impacts Pennsylvanians' lives, and our views on the future of the office.

My proposal is simple; we have seven joint appearances across the Commonwealth in varying formats, simply called, 'A Discussion with the People.' I would suggest one in each of our home counties, Allegheny and Lancaster, and one in each of the following: Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Scranton/Wilkes Barre, Erie, and Johnstown/Altoona.

I have no predetermined ideas about format. We may discuss all options at your earliest convenience. I am willing to conduct these discussions on the radio, at community forums, at a television studio, or a combination of formats. This is all open for discussion.

To me the format is not as important as the opportunity to discuss the issues and the office with the citizens of our Commonwealth. As I have traveled the state I have noticed that most people are unaware of the duties and responsibilities of the Office of Auditor General. As we both know this office has enormous power and a great ability to protect the citizenry.

Considering the attention focused on the 2008 Presidential campaign we have a great opportunity to focus people on the Auditor General's Office. People are incredibly concerned about the future, the economy, jobs, energy, and taxes. They have lost confidence in their elected officials in Washington and Harrisburg and need their faith restored. Through a series of genuine discussions we can show people that opposing candidates can agree and disagree with respect and without personal attacks.

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The Citizens of Pennsylvania need to believe in their government, and it is our responsibility as candidates to bring the information and our record to them unfiltered by the media or anyone else.

It is my hope that you will join me and travel across Pennsylvania to have, 'A Discussion with the People.' I am available to discuss details with you and I have empowered my Campaign Manager, Dan Davis, to work with your campaign team to work out logistics and timing. We are both available at our campaign headquarters, 717-665-1356.

I look forward to your response and 'A Discussion with the People.'

Sincerely,

Chet Beiler
Candidate for Auditor General of Pennsylvania