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The Director

Dear Fellow Federal Employees:

George Washington once said "How far you go in life depends on being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and the strong. Because some day in life you will have been all of these." Each year, the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) offers an opportunity to follow through on that advice with charitable support for those who are young, aged, weak or striving.

Year after year, the CFC provides Federal employees with an opportunity to join together and collectively help people in local communities, across the nation and around the world. I invite every Federal employee to join me and give as generously as possible to help others.

Since 1961, Federal employees have supported the campaign and the impact has been tremendous. We feed the hungry, provide shelter to the homeless and meet countless other life-changing needs.

We share in the accomplishments that result from the generosity of Federal workers, touching virtually every community in every State in the country.

It has been my privilege to see the dramatic changes that occur when communities in need receive the help provided by your charitable gifts. Families receive critical support. Children obtain medical care. People of all ages gain an education. Lives are improved.

During this year's campaign, you will have a wealth of information to help guide your giving decisions. More importantly, the stories you will hear from people who are helped will inspire you.

Please take a moment to listen to stories of success, attend campaign events, learn about charities and give to the causes you support most passionately. All gifts, large and small, are important.

As we begin the 2012 CFC season, I want to say thank you to each and every Federal employee for all that is done to help others. I am honored to serve with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Berry".

John Berry
Director
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Honorary Chairperson, Combined Federal Campaign