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VOTE SOCIALIST IN 2008!

On November 4th, cast your vote for Socialist Party USA candidates Brian Moore for president and Stewart Alexander for vice-president.

The Socialist Party's presidential slate will be on the ballot in the following states:

Colorado ("Socialist Party USA")

Florida ("Socialist Party of Florida")

Iowa ("Socialist Party USA")

New Jersey ("Socialist Party USA")

Ohio ("Socialist Party USA")

Tennessee ("Independent")

Vermont ("Liberty Union")

Wisconsin ("Socialist Party USA")

In most other states you will be able to write in **Brian Moore & Stewart Alexander**. If you have question on write in procedures, contact the campaign at: (352) 686-9936 or campaign@votebrianmoore.com.

From Brian Moore, candidate for President



I urge all of our Socialist Party members to get out and vote, early, if possible, to avoid any problems on election day.

Voting on principle, instead of for power, is our all-important obligation, and that principle is for a radical systemic change in our economic

system.

Send a message, loud and clear, that you are not happy with the status quo, nor with our present destructive capitalistic economic system, and that the two mainstream political parties are not offering any choices for the American people.

Your voice is important, especially in showing that alternative radical ideas and the socialistic economic system, which favor workers and average citizens, and promotes real democracy, have to take precedence now more than ever.

From Stewart Alexander, candidate for Vice-President



The 2008 General Election is only days away and millions of voters will have two choices to make; capitalism or socialism, and the voters' choice for leadership will determine the destiny of the U.S. and world economy well beyond the next term of the U.S. president.

NO TO THE WALL STREET BAIL OUT!



The current "financial crisis" is not just a temporary setback because of the lack of regulation in the financial sector. The collapse of the financial sector is indicative of the total failure of the capitalist economy. In recent years, the leading recipients of this proposed bailout have attempted to justify their "Washington consensus"

of decimating social safety nets, massive cuts to wages and benefits, and privatization of public services, in the name of mercilessly strict adherence to the "tough love" and "sacrifice" of the "free market." This deregulation and dismantling of any social protections was a logical step for the capitalists represented by the Republican and Democratic Parties. The call now for regulation of the markets is a hypocritical call by those who continue to promote the free market as the solution to everything. In demonstrating the cynical facade behind the unwavering economic ideology they've peddled for decades, these same power brokers and politicians who demanded the near complete deregulation of the financial sector under "free market" principles, are now calling upon all tax-paying U.S. workers to "come together as Americans" and take "collective responsibility" for their boundless greed and ultimate financial failure under the very standards they themselves imposed.

Congressional Democrats, through continuous pledges to reach a "bipartisan" solution to the financial meltdown, have predictably fallen over themselves to reaffirm their reliable role as one of the two great parties of capital. As Democratic House Speaker Nancy Pelosi proclaimed on Sept. 26th, "We will not leave until legislation is passed that will be signed by the president. The markets [sic] need a message from us that we're acting." Barack Obama, whose \$25 million dollars in campaign contributions from the financial industry in this election has exceeded the amount received by John McCain, has likewise urged bipartisan passage of the bailout package, "in the spirit of cooperation on behalf of the American people.

As socialists, we understand that there can no longer be any rational debate on the question of pursuing the "free market" as an alternative to the compelling urgency for a socialist transformation of society. The need of the largest

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capitalist firms to wipe out competition has already led to the centralization of economic power, but in the form of private ownership of an unaccountable ruling class of professional speculators, not of working people.

If we the people are now to publicly socialize the costs of our ruling class' disastrous practices, as our corporate politicians demand, what justification can be given for handing the very pillars of our economic security back to their private and unaccountable ownership, once resurrected?

The Socialist Party rejects the bail-out plan. Instead, we propose that the government take over the financial sector, and then delegate the distribution of home loans to a decentralized network of non-profit credit unions. These institutions are far less likely to push bogus loans than the white-collar criminals which control the current financial institutions.

While opposing the bail-out we also call for programs which will provide support to, and help empower individuals, families, and working people as a whole to take power away from the corporate powers that be.

- We support a federally funded socialized healthcare system which would eliminate health insurance companies and be controlled by locally elected community health committees.
- We support elimination of anti-workers laws and give all workers the right to organize through card check off and the right to strike.
- We support laws that would encourage the creation of worker-owned/ run institutions.
- We support massive investment into mass-transit and alternatives to fossil fuels.
- Finally we call for the immediate withdrawal of all troops from Iraq and Afghanistan (which includes thousands of national guard troops which have been taken away from their families and jobs to fight overseas), slashing our military budget by at least 50% and establishing a steeply progressive federal income tax system.

The above actions would improve working people's lives, bring the thousands of troops overseas home, raise hundreds of millions of dollars and take the tax burden off of low and moderate income individuals and families.

The real solution to the vast majority of these problems would be to move rapidly to a socialist society, one in which housing is provided to all as a basic right, the financial sector and commanding heights of the economy are made publicly accountable through social ownership and worker control of the economy, and production is oriented toward the needs of working people, rather than maximizing the profits of an obsolete ruling class of multi-millionaires and billionaires. We, the majority who work for a living, can no longer afford to produce and relinquish all that maintaining the private profits for our ruling class entails!

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The capitalists have two candidates with one agenda; to protect the profits and the wealth of the super rich. To the contrary, Socialist Party USA and Brian Moore stand for a fundamental transformation of the U.S. and world economy, focusing on production for need not profit. Brian Moore's campaign is not about reforming the process, "the Moore campaign is about changing the process."

The economic changes that are being offered by the Moore/Alexander campaign are much broader than the New Deal that was introduced during the Roosevelt administration. Socialists believe only a global transformation from capitalism to democratic socialism will provide the conditions for international peace, justice, and economic cooperation based on the large-scale transfer of resources and technology from the developed to the developing countries.

I am asking working people everywhere to vote for Brian Moore for president and Stewart A. Alexander for vice president and not to compromise your vote due to popular opinions or opinion polls. Much more is at stake than just the economy; our freedoms and our security as a nation.

Every 75 years the capitalists ruling class devise an economic crisis which is always followed by a conflict between nations or a major war. We must end this cycle and support socialism and socialist candidates.

In the upcoming General Election, "Get Out and Vote" for a new pathway for working people; vote for Brian Moore for President and Stewart A. Alexander for Vice President.

Next National Committee Meeting: January 24-25, 2009
In Newark, NJ.

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