Greetings,

The two of us generally have not engaged publicly in electoral politics.

But there comes a time when principled people of all backgrounds need to rise up against injustice, hate, and indifference to human suffering, to say enough is enough, and to make a change. Today, we are living through one of those moments. In the 2020 election, we need basic human decency to win the day. Donald Trump is a reckless and cruel man, uninterested in governing and unconcerned about the harm he’s causing so many Americans, including many of his supporters. It’s imperative that we vote him out of office this November.

At the same time, Trump draws his power from the Republicans in the U.S. Senate. Time and time again, they’ve had opportunities to stand up against his outrageous behavior and appointments but looked the other way.

If Joe Biden wins the election and we win a Democratic majority in the U.S. Senate, it could bring light to the darkness. To make progress on the climate crisis, reproductive rights, racial justice, a science-based response to COVID-19, and so much more, we need new leadership in the Senate ready to tackle the challenges of this moment. That will take all of us to get involved.

**We believe in Flip the West’s mission and strategy.**

Flip the West is mobilizing tens of thousands of volunteers and hundreds of organizations to turn out the voters to help Democrats capture the Senate Majority. Flip the West is engaged in critical battleground states, pushing the boundaries of the possible in Arizona, Colorado, Iowa, Alaska and Montana. Their vision isn’t just a narrow victory but a clean sweep of the rot that brought out the worst in our country. We need that kind of leadership right now.

**On Sunday, July 26 at 6 pm it would be great if you could join me (Frances) for a conversation about why this moment is like no other. This virtual house party is free, and sponsorships are available. Learn more at www.FlipTheWest.Com. Together, we can lay the foundation for something better.**

Thank you for caring about the future of our country.

Sincerely,

Frances McDormand         Joel Coen