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Dr. John Joslin 112 Newcrest Lane Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37830

Dear Dr. Joslin:

Thank you so much for contacting me with your support for S. 2123, the Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999. It is an honor to serve you in the Senate and a privilege to respond to your concerns.

I share your commitment to the protection of the environment and wildlife conservation. As a Congressional Sponsor of Ducks Unlimited and father of three boys, I feel that the conservation of the environment and protection of endangered species for future generations is among our highest priorities.

As you know, S. 2123 seeks to provide funding for state wildlife conservation efforts through federal offshore oil and gas revenues. A percentage of these revenues would be used to fund coastal environmental assistance, state parks, and wildlife recovery programs.

S. 2123 is a good bill for Tennessee in that it would provide an additional \$6 million annually to Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency for habitat conservation for both game and non-game species. The bill will also provide about \$6 million for state funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), which has historically been underfunded. I am pleased to know of your support for this important piece of legislation.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me. I hope that you will continue to give me the benefit of your thoughts and advice throughout my tenure in the Senate.

With warm regards, I am

Sincerely,

United States Senator

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