## GOVERNOR ROMNEY ANNOUCES SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR OTTER RE-ELECTION

(BOISE) - Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter said today that he is very humbled and appreciative to receive the endorsement of former Massachusetts Governor and Republican Presidential nominee Mitt Romney.

In a letter to his supporters, Governor Romney says he is backing Governor Otter because he is: "A proven conservative leader with a tangible legacy of principled Republican leadership, Governor Otter is committed to making government more efficient, effective and responsive."

Governor Romney also points to Governor Otter's fiscal record as another reason for his support, "Governor Otter has successfully led the state of Idaho through a difficult economic recession while simultaneously maintaining a balanced budget and reducing taxes. This is no small feat given the 'spend now, pay later' mentality all too prevalent in state capitals around the nation. As a result of his strong conservative leadership, Idaho is leading the way in creating new jobs and enhancing economic opportunities."

Governor Otter said, "I am truly honored by Governor Romney's vote of confidence in my proven conservative leadership and desire to serve another term in office."