

HAROLD CLARK SIMMONS

March 10, 2011

**Warren E. Buffett
Chairman and CEO
Berkshire Hathaway Inc.
3555 Farnam Street, Suite 1440
Omaha, NE 68131**

Dear Warren:

I'm delighted to join with you, Bill and Melinda in the Giving Pledge. This country has been wonderful to me and Annette, and we have long planned to return a substantial majority of our wealth to society. Though we have made many philanthropic gifts during our lifetimes and plan to do more, we have also established trusts to carry on this giving after my death. My intent is that philanthropy will exceed 50% of my wealth.

I hope others who have benefitted from this country as I have join with your efforts now and in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Harold Simmons".

Harold Simmons

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