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Carolyn,  
Here's a copy, as you requested.

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**Subject:** **Message from President Meadows**

Dear Board and Executive Council members:

Please see the message below from President Meadows regarding a recent filing in the NRA's reorganization case.

Sincerely,

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Dear Board Members,  
In an effort to keep you updated regarding the NRA's reorganization plan, Project Freedom, I provide this brief report.  
Unfortunately, board member Phil Journey filed a motion today for entry of an order appointing an independent examiner in the NRA's Chapter 11 proceedings. My understanding is that such a filing often occurs in proceedings as complex as

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our reorganization – but typically by those who are trying to interfere with the plan. This filing will now become a matter of discussion with the court.

As you may know, Mr. Journey was on the board from 1995 – 1998, and elected again in July 2020. Mr. Journey's filing notes his support of the NRA and that he is not opposed to reincorporating the Association in Texas. He seems to appreciate the reasons for our reorganization and the need to exit a toxic legal and regulatory environment in New York.

Nonetheless, Mr. Journey's filing appears to be based, in large part, on his misinterpretation of the NRA Bylaws.

His filing mistakenly relies upon the notion that the reorganization plan and formation of a subsidiary, Sea Girt LLC, required a vote of approval from the full board. Our Executive Vice President, Wayne LaPierre, has the authority to make these types of business decisions in the best interests of the Association.

Further, Mr. Journey was present during a recent NRA board meeting, whereupon an agreement with Wayne was approved that expressly reaffirmed this authority.

By virtue of a recent board resolution, we also adopted the formation of the Special Litigation Committee (SLC), an independent body to provide direction to Wayne in connection with legal and business matters of importance to our Association. Mr. Journey read Wayne's agreement – as evidenced by his signature acknowledging such.

Beyond other glaring errors and omissions, I am saddened to say the legal filing includes many outright untruths. For example, Mr. Journey claims that board members are chastised during meetings. That is untrue. In addition, Mr. Journey claims that, in at least one instance, a female board member was reprimanded and told to "sit back" and "shut her mouth" when she inquired about legal matters. I have presided over numerous NRA board meetings and assure you that every member of the NRA board is treated with respect. I find it disgraceful anyone would suggest otherwise to advance a personal agenda.

I fear our legal adversaries and anti-gun activists might be heartened by perceived discord in our organization. But I believe in our advocacy and commitment to the principled path, as challenging as it may sometimes be. My hope is that we continue to seize the momentum of our reorganization plan, and address any board misunderstanding of the facts guiding that pursuit.

I am confident in our course of action. Our reorganization plan continues to enjoy widespread support from NRA members, elected officials, and millions of law-abiding gun owners who recognize the NRA has never been more important to constitutional freedom.

We will keep you informed regarding any other developments. In the meantime, thanks for your continued support. If you have any questions, please contact NRA Board Counsel Wit Davis.

Thanks,  
Carolyn