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## MATCHING FUND CERTIFICATIONS FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

WASHINGTON - FEBRUARY 25 - The Federal Election Commission today certified \$629,150.56 in federal primary matching funds for 6 Presidential candidates.

The candidates, and amounts certified today, are as follows:

Senator Birch Bayh.....	\$ 51,614.09
President Gerald R. Ford.....	\$ 279,659.70
**Ellen McCormack.....	\$ 100,000.00
Ronald Reagan.....	\$ 153,357.77
Governor Milton J. Shapp.....	\$ 7,366.00
Congressman Morris K. Udall.....	\$ 37,153.00

\*Earlier today, the Commission determined that Ellen McCormack has met the eligibility requirements to qualify for matching funds.

This raises to \$8,502,870.76 as the amount of primary matching funds certified this year by the FEC for 13 candidates.

Total matching funds including today's certifications, broken down by candidates are as follows:

Senator Birch Bayh.....	\$ 357,035.71
Senator Lloyd M. Bentsen, Jr.....	\$ 511,022.61
James E. Carter.....	\$ 663,261.48
President Gerald R. Ford.....	\$ 1,027,385.30
Fred R. Harris.....	\$ 301,474.66
Senator Henry M. Jackson.....	\$ 922,805.78
Ellen McCormack.....	\$ 100,000.00
Ronald Reagan.....	\$ 956,258.50
Terry Sanford.....	\$ 246,388.32
Governor Milton J. Shapp.....	\$ 261,792.00
R. Sargent Shriver.....	\$ 219,514.77
Congressman Morris K. Udall.....	\$ 742,346.25
Governor George C. Wallace.....	\$ 2,193,585.38

Only "gifts of money" to a candidate up to \$250 per individual, are eligible for federal matching payments. Under Commission procedures, after a candidate has established "eligibility" for matching funds, the Commission will receive matching requests from the candidate on a twice-monthly basis, on the first and third Mondays of each month, and will certify eligible contributions within fifteen days after their submission.

Currently under review by the FEC staff are another \$2,003,088.74 matching fund requests from 10 candidates. (Bayh, Carter, Ford, Harris, Jackson, Reagan, Shapp, Shriver, Udall and Wallace.)

In addition, the Commission to date has certified \$1,610,000.00 in nominating Convention payments, including \$860,000.00 to the Democratic National Committee and \$750,000.00 to the Republican National Committee.