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FEC DECLARES ALEXANDER, BUCHANAN AND DOLE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIMARY MATCHING FUNDS IN '96 RACE

WASHINGTON -- The Federal Election Commission today certified Lamar Alexander, Patrick J. Buchanan and Robert J. Dole eligible to receive federal matching funds for the 1996 presidential primary campaign. All three are seeking the Republican nomination.

Phil Gramm was certified eligible to receive federal matching funds on March 20.

To become eligible for matching funds, candidates must raise a threshold amount of \$100,000 by collecting \$5,000 in 20 different states in amounts no greater than \$250 from any individual. Other requirements include agreeing to an overall spending limit, abiding by spending limits in each state, using public funds only for legitimate campaign-related expenses, keeping financial records and permitting an extensive campaign audit.

A Threshold submission was filed by the Alexander campaign on May 8, 1995. The Buchanan campaign filed on April 13. The Dole campaign filed their request May 1.

Once certified eligible, campaigns may submit additional contributions for matching funds on the first business day of every month. The U.S. Treasury Department will pay the FEC-certified amounts beginning in January 1996. The maximum amount a candidate could receive is currently calculated to be \$15 million.

Listed on the reverse side of this release are the states submitted for qualifying purposes by each candidate.

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CANDIDATE THRESHOLD SUBMISSION DATES AND STATES SUBMITTED

ALEXANDER
05/08/95

Alabama
California
Colorado
Connecticut
Washington, D.C.
Florida
Georgia
Illinois
Iowa
Kentucky
Maryland
Michigan
Mississippi
New Jersey
New York
North Carolina
Ohio
Pennsylvania
South Carolina
Tennessee
Texas

BUCHANAN
04/13/95

Arizona
California
Colorado
Florida
Georgia
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Louisiana
Maryland
Massachusetts
Missouri
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New York
North Carolina
Ohio
South Carolina
Texas
Virginia
Wisconsin

DOLE
05/01/95

Alabama
Arizona
California
Colorado
Washington, D.C.
Florida
Georgia
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Louisiana
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Missouri
New Jersey
New York
North Carolina
Ohio
Pennsylvania

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