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GOVERNOR OTTER REACTS TO ELECTION RESULTS

(BOISE) – Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter issued the following statements today in reaction to Tuesday's results from the presidential election and the Idaho votes on education reform Propositions 1, 2 and 3.

On the presidential election:

"Governor Romney was a great candidate, and I was proud to be associated with his campaign. We had high hopes for a Romney administration, and we have serious concerns about another four years of bigger and more expansive government, increased spending, higher taxes, growing debt and more federal regulation. Fortunately we've already been taking steps to weather what looks like an uncertain fiscal future. Here at home we remain committed to charting our own course and keeping our own house in order. We remain committed to limited government and unlimited opportunity, to growing Idaho's economy, to living within the people's means, and to enabling individuals to be the architects of their own destiny."

On the education reform propositions:

"The people have spoken, so I'm not discouraged. That's how our system works. But it's important to remember that the public conversation that began almost two years ago isn't over – it's only begun. Our workforce, our communities and most of all our students still deserve better, and our resources are still limited. We offered these reforms not because we sought change for change's sake, but because change is needed to afford our young people the opportunities they deserve now and for decades to come. That's as true today as it was yesterday, so our work for a brighter and better future continues."

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