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## **Oromo American Citizen Council (OACC)**

Endorses the "March to Stop Genocide and Dictatorship in Ethiopia/Africa;" Calls on all Members, Partners and Others to Participate

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We, the Oromo American Citizen Council, (OACC) fully endorse the upcoming "March to Stop Genocide and Dictatorship in Ethiopia/Africa in Washington D.C., scheduled for September 13, 2009 in front of the United States Capitol.

The OACC is Human Rights Organization based in Minnesota and founded in 2002 whose mission is to educate and motivate Oromo Americans and others to participate in the social and political processes locally and nationally and to work to prevent violations of fundamental civil and political rights in Ethiopia and around the world.

We in the Oromo American Citizen Council are writing this letter to declare that we are joining our sisters and brothers of Ethiopia in the March to be held on September 13, 2009 to *Stop Genocide and Dictatorship in Ethiopia/Africa* and call upon all Oromo sisters and brothers, who live in Washington DC area to join this Historical march.

The OACC strongly encourage all members and partner organizations to fully participate, as able, in this coalition of like-minded groups who are seeking human rights, democracy, the rule of law, peace, unity and economic prosperity in Ethiopia and in Africa.

The "March to Stop Genocide and Dictatorship in Ethiopia/Africa;" is an event that could exert much pressure to change foreign policies towards Ethiopia and Africa so that free countries stopped supporting dictators and perpetrators of genocide and other crimes against humanity; positively altering the future of our country and of our continent.

This is a significant opportunity in the history of this struggle and **the OACC will not be a bystander.** Our shared goals with the objectives of this march demand our full participation. We have no excuses for the people back home, who will continue to live under tyranny, misery and hardship, if we who live in freedom, refuse to come together due to differences of ethnicity, regionalism, politics, religion, turf issues or other such differences.

For those who want to know more about the OACC and our work, please contact us or see our website <a href="http://www.oromoamerican.org/">http://www.oromoamerican.org/</a>

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