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April 27, 2007

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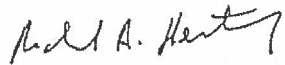
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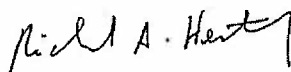
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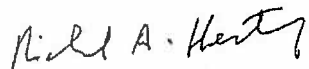
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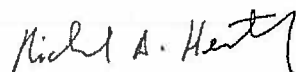
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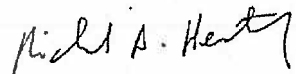
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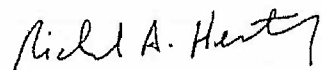
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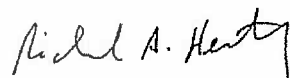
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