

# Ralph Nader coming to Toronto for campaign event

Washington, DC, Aug. 8, 2008 - Ralph Nader will hold a press conference in Toronto on Monday, August 11 at Queen's Park to discuss the US Presidential election, and what's at stake for Ontario and Canada, including a North American green electricity grid, NAFTA's renegotiation, stickiness of borders, and dealing with climate change.

Following the press conference, Nader will attend a campaign event at 7:00 p.m. on the trading floor of the old Toronto Stock Exchange at 234 Bay Street.

For more information on the Nader/Gonzalez campaign, visit VoteNader.org.

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## **About Ralph Nader**

Celebrated attorney, author and consumer advocate Ralph Nader has been named by Time Magazine one of the "100 Most Influential Americans in the 20th Century". For more than four decades he has exposed problems and organized millions of citizens into more than 100 public interest groups advocating solutions. He led the movement to establish the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and enact the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Motor Vehicle Safety Act, the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and countless other pieces of important consumer legislation. Because of Ralph Nader we drive safer cars, eat healthier food, breath better air, drink cleaner water, and work in safer environments. Nader graduated from Princeton University and received a LLB from the Harvard School of Law.

#### **About Matt Gonzalez**

Matt Gonzalez was elected to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in 2000 representing San Francisco's fifth council district. From 2003 to 2005 he served as Board of Supervisors President. A former public defender, Gonzalez is managing partner of Gonzalez & Leigh, a 7-attorney practice in San Francisco that represents individuals and organizations in mediation, arbitration, and administrative proceedings before state and federal regulatory bodies. Gonzalez graduated from Columbia University and received a JD from Stanford Law School.

## About the Nader/Gonzalez Campaign

According to a CNN-Opinion Research Corp. poll conducted from July 27-29, Ralph Nader is polling 6 percent nationally, higher than his highest major poll numbers during the same time period in 2000 and approaching the 10 percent threshold required for eligibility to participate in "America's Presidential Debate in New Orleans", a non-Commission on Presidential Debates sponsored event scheduled for September 18. In the key swing state of Michigan -- whose voters were partially disenfranchised by the Democratic National Committee -- an EPIC-MRA poll found Nader at 8-10 percent.