

## **WEATHERING THE STORM**

The world's financial system has dominated mainstream news for the last 10 days. Subjects normally reserved for the Wall Street Journal and CNBC have been thrust upon the local nightly news and its audience. Against this backdrop, many people have lost some trust and faith in how our economy and markets work and we understand that you may have some fear about what will happen. We want you to know that we are available to you to act as your sounding board and ally in this storm.

Our experience in this volatile market is that the value of sound financial life planning and a disciplined investment design process is more important than ever. It helps you weather the unpredictable storms in the short term while positioning you to participate in the prosperity that comes in the long term.

While we can't predict the short or intermediate term direction of Congress, the economy, or the markets, we feel very positive about the long term prospects for the global markets and economies. We recommend holding tight, shutting off the noise of the investment pundits and doing something for yourself today. Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Warmest regards,

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