**C-SPAN Presidential Historians Survey Rating Activity Political Science 122 Policy Making**  **Mr. Moran**

Rate former President of the United States Barak Obama on the above individual leadership characteristics. Rate him on a1-10 scale 1=poor 10=excellent scale for each criteria Justify your ratings below under each criteria. Be prepared to share your rankings and your rationale for each criteria with the class

**1. Public Persuasion** –The President is able to utilize, “the bully pulpit” to encourage the citizens/country to support his agenda for the “general welfare”/”common good” of the Nation.

**2. Crisis Leadership** - The President is able to provide leadership when dealing with a sudden emergency situation.

**3. Economic Management** - The President is able to provide for the careful management of the resources, finances, income, and expenditure of a country.

**4. Moral Authority** – The President is able to adhere to demonstrate the authority premised on principles, or fundamental truths, which are independent of written, or positive, laws for the good of the Nation.

**5. International Relations** - The President is able to manage of relationships and dealings between countries providing for the “common defense”/”national interests”.

**6. Administrative Skills** – The President is able to utilize the wide range of essential organizational and technical skills, scheduling, time management, organization of papers, staffing to effectively manage the apparatus of government to insure the effectiveness and efficiency in providing for the “general welfare”/”common good” of the Nation.

**7. Relations with Congress-** The President is able to work with a Congress (even when it is not controlled by his own party) to support his agenda for the “general welfare”/”common good” of the Nation.

**8. Vision / Setting an Agenda** - The President is able to communicate an aspirational description of what s/he would like to achieve or accomplish in the mid-term or long-term future for the Nation.

**9. Pursued Equal Justice For All** - The President is able to administer/ insure/provide justice for all citizens under the law.

**10. Performance within Context of Times**- The President is able to provide for the “general welfare”/”common good” of the Nation and/or provide for “common defense”/”national interests” in spite of the “hand s/he is dealt”. For example, inheriting a bad economy, civil unrest, a war, etc.