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President

As we discussed, I need a letter from the Secretary congratulating Miriam Jackson on her receiving the annual Meals on Wheels award in New Rochelle, NY on May 10th (which is also her birthday - I think her 84th or 85th)

I need to have the letter (or a fax copy for me to read) by MAY 8TH (MONDAY) as I will be out of the office May 9th into May 10th (the luncheon).

A little background:

Miriam Jackson was one of the few, brave souls who was an ACTIVE Democrat in Westchester County in the 1950's! She helped lay the groundwork for the many active and vibrant Democratic candidates who went on to subsequent victories (John Kennedy, Dick Ottinger, Mario Cuomo, Bill Clinton).

She served the party for more than 40 years in virtually every capacity city and county Committeeperson, New Rochelle Dem. Chairwoman and the first woman to be Westchester County Democratic Chairperson. She has also served as a member of the New York State Democratic Committee; delegate to numerous State and national Democratic Conventions; candidate for County Clerk; advisor and volunteer to numerous candidates.

She has inspired a whole generation of political activists - her "kids" who learned from her first hand that politics are a noble avocation as well as a civic duty.

However, beyond politics, Miriam is and has been for years, a dedicated and tireless advocate for older Americans through her advocacy both professionally and personally. She has held positions with the National Council on the Aging, Meals on Wheels, AARP, the White House Conference on Aging (prior years) and had an active and important role in creating the New Rochelle Office of the Aging, run so well by Sister Miriam Therese Pepin.

She has always been committed and willing to speak up for those less fortunate; those less empowered than herself. She has been a role model to generations and continues to be so to this day.

KEVIN; USE WHAT YOU CAN: CALL ME IF ANY PROBLEMS. THANKS. (P S =NITA LOWEY WOULD HAVE APPOINTED MIRIAM TO THE WHCOA AS HER DELEGATE BUT MIRIAM IS TOO FRAIL TO ATTEND-SISTER MIRIAM (A NUN BUT LIKE A DAUGHTER TO MIRIAM) IS NITA'S DELEGATE.)

PS HER NICKNAME, GIVEN BY ME TO HER IN THE 1970's - IS "CRASH" JACKSON BECAUSE OF HER PROWESS BEHIND THE STEERING WHEEL!

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This was the request we did not do -