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Senator Nancy Kassebaum, Chairman
Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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March 22, 1995

Dear Senator Kassebaum,

I would like to add my firm support for the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster to the office of Surgeon General.

Dr. Foster has had an illustrious career as an obstetrician-gynecologist, not only as a clinician but as an educator and as a medical administrator.

He has done a tremendous job to prevent teen-age pregnancies by encouraging youngsters to delay sexual activity by encouraging programs to build their self-esteem.

Dr. Foster has much to offer this country and he should be given the opportunity - as Surgeon General - to do it.

Sincerely,
George G. Goler, MD -



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March 21, 199

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Chairman, Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources
302 Russell Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as our Surgeon General. I know Dr. Foster well, having worked with him for many years as a member of national organizations devoted to improving health care for women in our country. Throughout his distinguished career, Dr. Foster has demonstrated the personal qualities and characteristics which, I believe, make him uniquely qualified to be our Surgeon General. He has devoted his considerable energies to improving the health of and the future for children, adolescents, and women. Dr. Foster has led a successful program to reduce teenage pregnancies, the number one reason young women in our country discontinue their education. Considering that few others have been able to solve this challenging problem, it is my opinion that Dr. Foster, with his creativity, intellect, and good common sense, can help improve the health of the citizens of our country in many other ways.

In summary, then, I again want to express my enthusiastic support for Dr. Foster nomination and my thanks to you and to your committee for your thoughtful consideration of his nomination.

Sincerely yours,

Steven G. Gabbe, M.D.
Professor and Chairman

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DEPARTMENT OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

March 22, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Chairman
Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources
302 Russell Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am writing to support Dr. Henry Foster's nomination as Surgeon General of the United States of America.

I have known Dr. Foster for over twenty years as a fellow academician and member of the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics. During the years, I have learned to hold him in great esteem for his many contributions to health care for women in this country. He served as President of this Society and discharged his responsibilities in exemplary fashion.

I am aware of his distinguished record at Meharry University and of his dedication to development of the "I Have A Future" program which encouraged Tennessee's teenagers to delay sexual activity by building their job skills and self esteem, while promoting responsibility and abstinence.

I strongly support Dr. Foster's nomination. I know that, if confirmed, he will be a credit to the office of Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

John I. Fishburne, Jr., M.D.
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Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology

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March 20, 1995

The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum, Chairman
Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources
302 Russell Building
Washington, DC-20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

This letter is to express my wholehearted support for the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as Surgeon General.

During my past twenty-five years serving as a physician in public health, I have gotten to know Dr. Foster as he served on national committees aimed in improving the health of mothers and children in the United States.

He is a dedicated, warm and down-to-earth individual who understands how it is at the grassroots level. I believe that he would make an excellent Surgeon General.

Sincerely,



Sara Reed DePersio, M.D., M.P.H.
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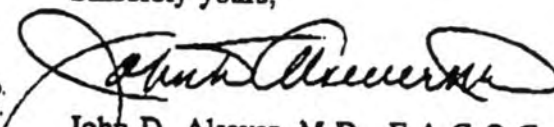
Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I would like to encourage you and your committee to support Dr. Henry Foster's nomination for Surgeon General. It is important that Dr. Foster's contributions to his community, state and profession not be overlooked because of a small portion of his practice. As you are undoubtedly aware, Dr. Foster has had an exemplary role in the Meharry Medical College and has been accepted and honored by his medical peers by being elected as President of the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics. Additionally, his "I Have A Future" program is an excellent example of what communities and states need to build responsible teenagers and young adults.

I trust that in a sense of fairness and looking at the overall picture that Dr. Foster, like any other nominee, will be judged on the totality of his career, his leadership, and his commitment to public health. I am sure as you and your committee do that, you will be able to support his nomination.

Thank you for your time and your deliberations.

Sincerely yours,



John D. Alsever, M.D., F.A.C.O.G.

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March 20, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Chairman of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Services
302 Russell Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Henry Foster, M.D. - Surgeon General Nominee

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am writing to express my strong and complete support for Henry Foster, M.D. as Surgeon General of the United States. As a physician practicing for over twenty years in a rural part of Oregon, I feel that Doctor Foster brings the credentials, the background and the expertise needed to deal with some of the most pressing national medical concerns of this country.

Doctor Foster is held in highest esteem by the medical community. He has a long and respected medical career beginning with his medical degree from the University of Arkansas in 1958. He has been dean and acting president of Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee and has gained national attention with his "I Have a Future" program to reduce the incidence of teenage pregnancy. He also has been president of the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics. His career is marked by strong leadership, consensus building, and commitment to the public health.

Doctor Foster is the right man to be the spokesman for the health needs of this country. I deal with the problems of teenage and unwanted pregnancies almost daily. This country needs his leadership on this crucial and difficult problem. I urge your support of his nomination. Please examine carefully his entire medical career, and do not get sidetracked by irrelevant issues that those opposing his nomination are trying to raise. I hope and trust that he will be approved as Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

Ronald E. Carver, M.D.

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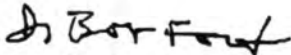
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Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Chairman of the Senate Committee
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Dear Senator Kassebaum,

I strongly support the nomination of Henry Foster, M.D. as Surgeon General of the United States. His wide range of professional experience and knowledge has prepared him for such a leadership role. Specifically his support of the "I Have A Future" program gives credence to his efforts to build self-esteem and traditional values among teens. He has passed the "litmus test" of most Americans.

Sincerely yours,



Robert W. Ford, M.D.
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Martin L. Freifeld, MD, FACOG
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Senator Nancy Kassebaum
302 Russell Building
Washington, DC

Re: Henry Foster, MD

Dear Senator Kassebaum,

I am writing to support the nomination of Dr. Foster for the position of Surgeon General.

He should be judged on the basis of the totality of his career, his leadership, and commitment to public health. Based on these factors, you would be hard pressed to find a candidate who has equal qualifications.

The medical community, and especially Obstetricians and Gynecologists, are strongly in favor of his nomination.

Thank you,

Martin L. Freifeld, MD



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RE: Henry Foster, M.D. - Surgeon General Nominee

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I would like to state in writing my strong support for Dr. Henry Foster as the new Surgeon General of the United States. I hope that you will concentrate on Dr. Foster's entire record which is admirable. While certain factions of our country are opposed to Dr. Foster, I think that if you look on the whole at his record, you will see that he is amply qualified to be Surgeon General.

Dr. Foster has been the Acting President of a medical college, he has been a Dean in a medical school as well as the Director of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology. He has served as President of the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO) which is indeed a high honor. These types of accolades should lead you to realize that Dr. Foster is held in high esteem by his colleagues. Additionally, Dr. Foster is instrumental in the "I Have A Future" program, which I think is very important in dealing with teenage sexually.

I hope you will confirm Dr. Henry Foster for nomination as Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

Charles J. Dunton, M.D.
Associate Professor
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology

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of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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Dear Senator Kassebaum:

This letter is in support of the nomination of Henry Foster, M.D. for Surgeon General. Dr. Foster has a stellar record through many years of service to the American people with his teenage pregnancy prevention program that indeed emphasizes delay in sexual activity and bolsters self-esteem particularly among the low income individuals in Nashville, Tennessee. Dr. Foster has been maligned by many of the anti-choice groups who declare that the individual is less worth, less than the potential for any person that they might be created through abstinence and pregnancy prevention. I do think it is rather critical that we demand that the Senate understands that abandonment of people by fostering anti-choice rhetoric at all costs despite performance of legal abortions that Dr. Foster did do in very selective cases that this should not be the benchmark by which his qualifications are judged.

I have been angered over the years particularly in this woman's issue of empowerment regarding the inability of the government to fully fund reproductive counseling. Reproductive counseling in terms of preventing abortions by programs such as Dr. Foster's "I Have a Future" program are critical because this prevents the need for abortions by engendering a delay in sexual activity. As a practicing obstetrician/gynecologist, I see daily the discrimination that all women and particularly women of color struggle against in our society. It is unfortunately even in many federal agencies, work performance does go down once they become pregnant and I have seen it also in many of the church related institutions that have women predominantly employed. I therefore ask that this false dichotomy between what they say and what they expect be eliminated by swift approval of Dr. Foster's nomination.

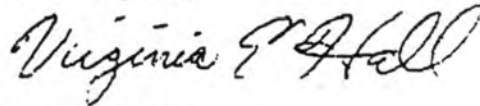
There has never been an obstetrician/gynecologist as Surgeon General in the long history of these United States and I think it is high time that we pay attention to women and children. I look at the so-called "Contract with America" and find it an unequal document because the majority of the public was unaware of the content.

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I see constant blaming of teenage mothers in many of the programs but yet there is no life responsibility for the teenage unwed father. I would ask that somebody who has worked very hard to foster healthy women and in turn their healthy children be swiftly and unanimously confirmed. I think it is rather important that women and children for once be brought into the forefront. These patch-up programs that are currently there do not adequately empower a woman or a child. Why? We are not the AARP who votes.

I have had a long record of voting and will continue to do so and talk with my patients continually about their absolute mandated responsibility to vote. Remember your NPHRA Legislative Award and its reasons. Please do not engender the racial and gender discriminations that are coming to the fore with the opposition to Dr. Foster's nomination. I will be most happy to discuss with any member of the Senate the more extensive reasons that I feel his confirmation is so necessary to the well-being of our future.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia E. Hall".

Virginia E. Hall, M.D.

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Donald R. Coustan, M.D.

Professor and Chairman, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Chairman of the Senate Committee on
Labor and Human Resources
302 Russell Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am writing in support of the candidacy of Henry Foster, M.D. for the position of Surgeon General of the United States. I am well acquainted with Dr. Foster and his work. I believe that Hank is highly suited for this job. He is a caring and compassionate physician who has already done a great deal to decrease teen pregnancy. He is a well known and highly respected medical educator. I believe that he would do an excellent job precisely because he has the welfare of the American people as his focus.

I am quite concerned by the unjustified negative attacks on Dr. Foster. The fact that he has performed a few abortions should not and cannot be a "litmus test" for public office. The overwhelmingly strong track record that Dr. Foster has demonstrated should be the focus. I fear greatly that if Dr. Foster's appointment is allowed to be sidetracked by the abortion issue, very few individuals of substance will be willing to serve in such government offices in the future. An individual who has never done anything in his life which might possibly offend anyone is probably not suitable for leadership.

I urge you to strongly support Dr. Foster's nomination as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

Sincerely,

Donald R. Coustan, M.D.
Professor and Chairman

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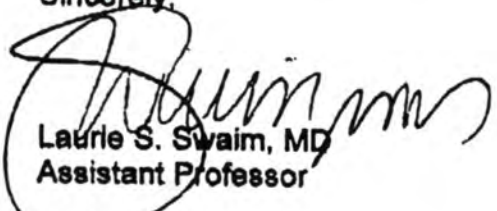
RE: Surgeon General Nominee

Dear Senator Kassebaum,

This letter is to express my support for Surgeon General nominee, Dr. Henry Foster.

The role of Surgeon General should be filled with someone who is committed to public health and Dr. Foster's career demonstrates this commitment. Dr. Foster has clearly been a leader in women's health issues. His strong commitment to women's health and his outstanding accomplishments in this field should be examined rather than focusing on a few irrelevant incidents.

Sincerely,



Laurie S. Swaim, MD
Assistant Professor

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March 21, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum,
Chairman of the Senate Committee on
Labor and Human Resources
302 Russell Building
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Surgeon General Nominee

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am an Assistant Professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Texas Medical School at Houston. I am writing this letter in support of Dr. Henry Foster's nomination as Surgeon General.

Dr. Foster has made many contributions to the specialty of obstetrics and gynecology during his long career. He has been President of the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO) as well as acting president of Meharry Medical College.

The role of Surgeon General should be filled by someone who is committed to public health. I feel that Dr. Foster's illustrious career well exemplifies his commitment to public health. He has been a leader in women's health issues. I feel that his totality of his commitment to women's health needs to be examined rather than focusing on a few incidents.

Thank you for your support on this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Marian E. Wulf'.

Marian E. Wulf, MD
Assistant Professor

MEW/lg

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TO: Nancy Kassenbaum

(PAPER MAIL)

Subject: Nomination of Dr. Henry Foster

I am in support of Dr. Foster's nomination, for I know he is a very qualified and capable individual for the job. You will not find a better human being or professional. I have known Dr. Foster for almost 15 years as an employee of Meharry Medical College and he has always exemplified the ideals of a true professional and a caring man. He has the most pleasant demeanor and treats all with the utmost respect. Dr. Foster lives, "all men are created equal." He treats the janitors, support staff, dentists, physicians, scientists as the professionals and persons they are and not for who they are. If Dr. Foster is not confirmed as the next U.S. Surgeon General, it will be a grave disservice to this country.



MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE

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March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassenbaum
Attn: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
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United States Senate
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Dear Senator Kassenbaum:

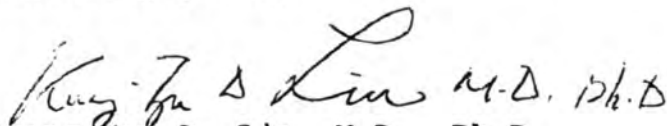
I am a faculty member in the Department of Pediatrics at Meharry Medical College located in Nashville, Tennessee; and I am writing this letter to support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for the position of United States Surgeon General.

I have known Dr. Foster for the last eight years, and since I moved to Nashville from Knoxville, Tennessee, I am a pediatric geneticist. Consequently, my clinical practice requires me to have a close interaction with Ob-Gyn doctors, because I am responsible for assigning diagnosis of birth defects in unborn babies. Dr. Foster has consulted us on several occasions for the detection of neuro-tube defects in pregnancy; and we have performed the maternal serum alpha-fetoprotein as well as amniotic fluid alpha-fetoprotein, and chromosome of an unborn baby. The clinical decision to abort a severely malformed baby mainly rests on the decision made by the mother. As a pediatrician and geneticist at Meharry, the recommendation to perform an abortion to the obstetrician, is primarily determined by medical situations. Dr. Foster has not performed an abortion on a viable or non-deformed fetus. To my knowledge, the only abortion that he has performed is for a fetus without a brain, ie., anencephaly; in anyway the fetus was not capable to survive more than 20 hours after birth.

Dr. Foster has a high ethical standards in his practice of Ob-Gyn. During my tenure at Meharry Medical College, he has become a close friend as well as a supervisor since he became the Dean of Medical School in 1990.

I believe that his nomination for Surgeon General will benefit all the under represented minority, and he will serve as a good role model for those inner-city teenagers, because his life is a living testimony of a good honest, diligent, and hard working African American.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kuang-Tzu D. Lin M.D. Ph.D.".

Kuang-Tzu D. Lin, M.D., Ph.D.
Director of Clinical Genetics
Department of Pediatrics
Meharry Medical College

March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Attn: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster for
U.S. Surgeon General

Dear Senator:

I strongly urge you to support the nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster for U.S. Surgeon General. Let his record speak for itself. Please do not let the negative forces in the media and the Congress sway your inner convictions. Dr. Foster has shown that he respects a woman's right to choose. A vote against Dr. Foster will not doubt send a message that a woman's fundamental right to choose is in jeopardy. As a young African-American male and registered voter, I believe you will make the correct decision based on Dr. Foster's credentials and moral character.

Sincerely,



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Ms. June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and
Human Relations
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Henry Foster, M.D.

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

It is with great pride that I wholeheartedly endorse Dr. Henry Foster as the next U.S. Surgeon General.

Dr. Foster is not only the kind of doctor who is highly qualified in his field of medicine, but he is a caring individual who is always striving to make this place a little bit better for all mankind.

Again, it is without reservation that I support this fine person for the U.S. Surgeon General.

Sincerely,



Rawle Andrews, M.D., Diplomate
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March 22, 1995

Nancy Landon Kassebaum
United States Senator
Chair, Labor and Human Resource Committee.

Dear Senator Kassebaum,

I would like to support the confirmation of Dr. Henry Foster to be
Surgeon General of the United States.

I have worked with Dr. Foster for nineteen years from 1971 to 1990.

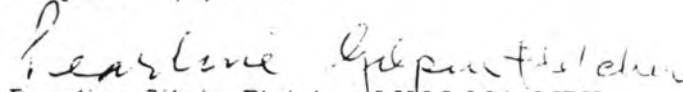
Dr. Foster has high moral standards and has always considered the good of
the patients and people served by the department and the school.

Dr. Foster was instrumental in assisting me to train student nurse-midwives.

With his support, nurse-midwifery service was made available to the
dependents at the Fort Campbell Kentucky Army Base. Through this
program, we were able to train nurse-midwives who served as pioneers in
Tennessee and other underserved areas.

I am confident that Dr. Foster will do great service for this nation as The
Surgeon General

Respectfully yours,


Pearline Gilpin-Fletcher C.N.M., M.A., M.P.H.



MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY

March 23, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
United State Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Honorable Senator Kassebaum:

I am writing this letter in support of the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as the Surgeon General of the United States.

As a colleague, I have found Dr. Foster to be a man of integrity, a man of decency and a man of compassion toward others. His genuine concern for his fellow men and women and his scientific approach to a specific problem uniquely qualifies him for this important position of public service.

I cannot see how Dr. Foster's judgment on issues can be clouded in any way when one considers his background of unbiased dealings with the people around him. I am proud of the fact that I had the privilege of associating with him professionally and otherwise.

I am extremely pleased to see that Dr. Foster's professional efforts and dedication have been finally recognized at the national level by President Clinton. I will be deeply honored if you and members of your committee would show him the respect and support that he so aptly deserves.

I also request that this letter be included for the record.

Sincerely,

Mukul R. Banerjee, Ph.D.
Professor

March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum, Chairperson
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
Dirksen Office Building, United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

re: Dr. Henry Foster

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

For several years I served as chairman of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences committee to choose the Gustav O. Lienhard Award, given annually to that person who has done the most for the improvement of personal health services in the United States. I presently am chairman of the National Advisory Committee of the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program. Henry Foster served with me for several years on the former committee and is a current member of the latter. Having had him as a colleague for a long time, I feel that I know his professional qualifications and behavior well.

Henry Foster is highly competent, completely honest, of the highest character, and is fully dedicated to the public welfare. His judgement is excellent, he is a hard worker, and he has broad experience. As an African American physician who has spent a large part of his professional life caring for the underserved, he has seen the seamy side of our society and worked hard to bring improved health to those most in need.

When one adds these characteristics to his special expertise in one of the most vexing national problems of our time, teen-age pregnancy, he stands out as someone who would make a wonderful Surgeon General. Our country would be fortunate to have him in this role.

Sincerely yours



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March 15, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassenbaum
Attn: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Kassenbaum:

Re: Statement of Support for the Record for Dr. Henry Foster

This letter is in strong support for the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as the next Surgeon General. I would appreciate it if it is included as part of the record.

I commend Dr. Foster for agreeing to have his name placed in nomination. I hope that Dr. Foster continues to say "yes". Picture this situation. You are a man of high integrity. You have achieved much in your life, in your career and have been recognized by the former President of the United States, George Bush. At home you are very happy having been married for 35 years. You are excited and rewarded by national programs that you have initiated.

One day President Clinton calls and says he wants you to provide leadership in a very important area in our country which has become a crisis, teenage pregnancy. He emphasizes that you are the person for the job. Would you say yes?

What is happening to Dr. Foster, an eminent scholar and a man of the highest integrity, is a disgrace and calls into question who would agree to serve our nation. Dr. Foster is a man of the highest character, credibility and ethical standards who is being attacked, not for his achievements and prior professional accomplishments, but because those who oppose the right of a woman to choose a legal procedure disagree with that option.

The controversy surrounding the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster by President Clinton shows how far our nation has to go in order to address the root causes of the concerns of many of our citizens in this country. Dr. Foster is an esteemed physician, medical educator and administrator as well as an innovator in the field of healthcare delivery including teenage pregnancy. He is nationally and internationally known for his work to combat the evils that many teenagers and adolescents face as they grow up in urban as well as rural America.

Our country has one of the highest teen pregnancy rates in the Western world and Dr. Foster and his colleagues at Meharry Medical College have developed a community-based program which has demonstrated that it can work to not only address teenage pregnancies but encourage them to have self-esteem, develop goals and go forth to further their education and be successful.

If you walk through some urban areas in this country you will see the hopelessness and frustration of many of our youth. They are being locked out of the dream of success for our children and ourselves. This frustration and sense of hopelessness often results in drug abuse, turning to crime and teenage pregnancy.

What Dr. Foster has done throughout his entire career is to respond to the needs of all individuals including the poor and underserved in order to help address their health care needs. A man of the highest integrity and character, he has worked continuously throughout his life to address the need to provide hope for the disfranchised and encouragement for the downhearted.

There is much discussion in our country now on welfare reform. The emphasis seems to be to get individuals off of welfare after a reasonable period of time and everyone must work to receive support. The trap of welfare is intertwined with teens having babies. Our nation must address this issue if we are to have effective welfare reform as well as decrease the number of abortions in our country.

Dr. Foster is eminently qualified to lead our nation as Surgeon-General. He has been honored by President Bush and the I Have a Future program has been recognized for its achievements of reducing teenage pregnancy in the inner cities of Nashville. He has been elected to the National Academy of Medicine and is held in the highest esteem by his professional peers.

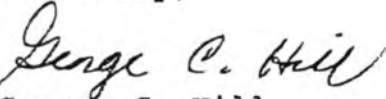
When nominating Dr. Foster, President Clinton thanked him for answering the call to lend his expertise to a nation in crisis with its teenagers. He noted that it is difficult today to find individuals who are willing to subject themselves to the slings and arrows of many who want only to emphasize their own message. But our country is one of many diverse views and we still are learning to be tolerant of different opinions.

We need more men such as Dr. Foster who are willing to commit their life to service for mankind and address the root causes of many problems in our society so that all of us can have aspirations and succeed.

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Senator Nancy Kassenbaum

The mark of the achievement of Dr. Foster's leadership in addressing teen pregnancy and other issues important in maternal and child health is reflected in the words and achievement of the young men and women who have participated in the program and now are going on to college. As several participants from the program have noted, "They showed me abstinence was cool. They taught me to better myself. I am having a chance to achieve my dreams. I know that I am somebody who can succeed. I do have a future."

Sincerely,


George C. Hill



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Project Space March 25, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Attention: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
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Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Nancy Kassenbaum,

This letter comes in support of the Mr. Foster for the post of Surgeon General. As a member of the faculty of Morehouse College I fully support the candidacy of Mr. Foster for this post.

Over the years I have been impressed with Mr. Foster's professional accomplishments as he continually works toward the improvement of our community. Mr. Foster received the "1000 Points of Light" award from George Bush. For years he has worked tirelessly in the fight against teen pregnancy. He also has extensive experience in the field of medical education. These are just a few reasons why he receives my overwhelming support for the post of Surgeon General. It is extremely unfair to judge a person without taking an overall examination of the total picture. The factors examined should be his exemplary record of support for programs that continue to improve our communities.

I offer my unequivocal support for his candidacy for Surgeon General. If you have any questions, I can be contacted at (404) 525-6272.

Sincerely,


Benjamin Martin, Ph.D.
Faculty, Morehouse College



**MATTHEW WALKER
COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CENTER, INC.**

February 9, 1995

The President
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to express my support of Henry Foster, M.D. and to request continued support from you for your appointee.

I have known Dr. Foster for over 15 years. He is a colleague with an impeccable reputation and as a fellow church member, a sincere Christian man.

Sir, overall, Dr. Foster should be supported by your administration because his record as a caring and qualified physician cannot be disputed and he will bring honor and integrity to this post.

I sincerely urge you to stand by Dr. Foster to assure his confirmation as Surgeon General of the United States of America.

Sincerely,

R. I. Kwame Bass, Sr., MSPH, MA
Executive Director



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March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

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This letter is written in strong support for the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General because he has the leadership, knowledge, and commitment required to be the spokesperson for a national health agenda.

The attention in Congress to cutting federal programs will inevitably lead to the call for cutting Medicaid and Medicare and the time is fast approaching for a strong champion of the poor to have the visibility to balance the debate for the public. I can think of no better champion than Dr. Foster, with his track record of planning and directing programs for the African American poor in his committee.

Dr. Foster is an Ob-Gyn physician, and it is obvious that the critics of his nomination are ignoring the fact that American medical education promotes the training of all medical students, and especially Ob-Gyn trainees, to become expert in a whole range of obstetrical and gynecological procedures. Moreover, Dr. Foster has served as a role model to minority physicians and students aspiring to become a physician and will continue to be so in the leadership position for the United States health system.

As a minority physician who has attained the rank of medical school faculty member and has inspired his colleagues and his community, Dr. Foster deserves to be heard by the American public as U.S. Surgeon General to educate them about their responsibility for the health needs of the United States. I urge you to support Dr. Foster for U.S. Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

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March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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ATT: June Lawrence
Staff Assistant

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am writing to express my support for Dr. Henry Foster's nomination for Surgeon General. I had the good fortune of serving with Dr. Foster on the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics Undergraduate Medical Education Committee. The purpose of the committee was to design appropriate medical school education for students studying obstetrics and gynecology. I was quite a junior member of the committee and Dr. Foster was one of the more senior members. I will always remember his thoughtful guidance and support and the way he was able to work with many different people throughout the country with different goals and ambitions. He has proven himself as a leader, a teacher and a mentor for many physicians interested in a teaching career. He is a caring and a talented individual who will, I am sure, work hard to improve the medical care and knowledge of the citizens of this country.

I am hopeful that the process will address Dr. Foster's obvious skills and experience relating to his nomination. If he is evaluated objectively based on his experience and skills, it is clear to me that he is an exceptional candidate. Thank you for your time and consideration of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Burton Rochelson MD". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the "MD" written in a slightly separate, more formal script at the end.

Burton Rochelson, M.D.

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March 24, 1995

**Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
Chair, Labor and Human Resources Committee
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510**

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

You may remember me as one of the Senate Budget Committee's staff members during the Henry Bellmon era and then under Senator Domenici until 1983. Since leaving the Committee staff, I worked for eight years in Oklahoma as welfare director and then as a member of Governor Bellmon's cabinet. For the past four years I have been "free-lancing" from our home in the Ozarks near where my Wife and I grew up.

Your Committee will be considering the Henry Foster nomination for Surgeon General in the near future and I want to express to you my strong hope that he will be confirmed. I have served with Dr. Foster for the past four years on the Council of Advisors for the National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University. Dr. Foster is a superb person who would bring both common sense and extensive experience to the government. It would be a tragedy if the mistakes made in reviewing his background and handling his nomination caused his nomination to be rejected or withdrawn.

Our nation desperately needs the leadership of people like Dr. Foster. He has an almost unique record of successful experience in dealing with the critical problem of out-of-wedlock births to young mothers. He also is well-equipped to deal with the many other challenges the Surgeon General must confront.

One final personal note: In 1989, I was deprived by an opportunity to serve in the Bush Administration by a campaign carried on by the National Right to Life Committee. I see the same people at work against Dr. Foster. I guess they feel they must periodically shoot down someone in order to convince their donors that their money is being well spent. Please don't let them make Dr. Foster their next trophy!

Sincerely,



Robert Fulton

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March 24, 1995

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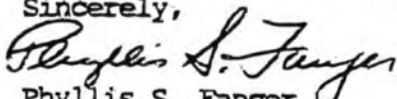
FAX 202/228-5044

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

As a citizen who is concerned about the epidemic of teenage pregnancies and its impact on our country's health care and many other social problems, I fully support the nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. for Surgeon General.

Dr. Foster has the experience and professional stature and integrity to lead us toward solutions that work. He will bring a credible voice for sound public health education to both healthy care providers and laypersons alike.

Sincerely,


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Senator Nancy Kassebaum
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RE: Dr. Henry Foster

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I would like to be on record in support of the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster. My closest personal experience with Dr. Foster was about 12 years ago when he was elected to the Board of the University School of Nashville. At that time, unknown to the public, this outstanding private school was about to fold due to financial problems and internal discord. With the help and calm reasoning of Dr. Foster, the school was saved and today it is the leading co-ed private institution in Tennessee. His method was to calmly and carefully consider the problems that beset the school; his boundless energy and good sense of humor enabled us to overcome what seemed to be an insurmountable group of obstacles.

I have had personal contact with Dr. Foster since then on numerous occasions. His soft, warm approach to human needs, particularly teenagers, impresses me far beyond ideological or philosophical issues that may be involved. He is a wonderful human being and a true model for diversity and scholarship. That is what the Surgeon General needs to be.

Sincerely yours,



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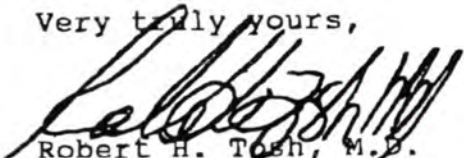
RE: Henry W. Foster, M.D.
U.S. Surgeon General-Designate

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am writing this letter to support the nomination of Dr. Foster for U.S. Surgeon General. I was and continue to be very happy and pleased that the President chose to nominate this honorable man to this high post. I have known Dr. Foster ever since he came to Nashville and I know him to be a man of great integrity and high moral and ethical principles. His academic credentials are outstanding. He has spent his life teaching, serving, and directing facilities that primarily serve the large under privileged and unserved women in each community in which he has resided. He has accomplished great things at Meharry Medical College. Dr. Foster is an accomplished administrator. He has a wonderful facility of being able to bring people together in difficult situations, resolve difficult problems, and attain worthwhile goals that could not be achieved by less skilled individuals. Many of us in Nashville believe that Dr. Foster's calm presence and the ability to successfully resolve differences between different points of view brought about the successful merger of Nashville General Hospital and the Meharry-Hubbard Hospital. He is not given to intemperate statements or actions.

Senator, I believe Henry Foster is uniquely qualified to serve as Surgeon General of The United States of America. I am certain that, if he is allowed to serve, he will make an outstanding contribution to his country. I most respectfully urge you to support his nomination.

Very truly yours,



Robert H. Tash, M.D.

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March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
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Dear Senator Kassebaum:

Thank you for the opportunity to express my support for Dr. Henry Foster as the next Surgeon General of the United States. It is an honor and privilege to do so.

In April, 1994, I was one of fifty invitees to the Macy Foundation Program on Emergency Health Care in the Year 2000. As the 1994 President of the Emergency Nurses Association, I was representing over 23,000 emergency nurses. I met Dr. Foster early on during this three day meeting. I happened to be the only nurse among the group, but it was Dr. Foster who very quickly introduced me to the many other physicians and professionals comprising this very knowledgeable and expert group.

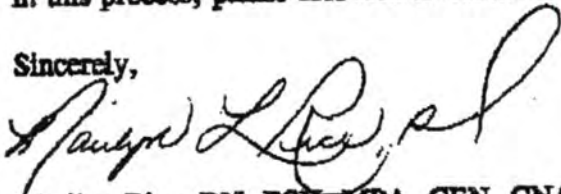
While the focus of this meeting was on emergency health care, Dr. Foster had vast knowledge of this specialty. His wisdom in all facets of health care was incredible, and indeed gave a "big picture" perspective of the issues. I was particularly impressed with Dr. Foster's interest in the profession of nursing, as well as the specialty of emergency nursing. He also taught me a great deal about the latest in his specialty-obstetrics and gynecology.

In August, I was attending the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists annual convention in Washington, DC. I had spoken to Dr. Foster a number of times since the Macy Foundation meeting, and had sent him information about our organization and specialty. I asked him if I could spend a few hours with him at the Association of Academic Health Centers (AAHC). In spite of his hectic schedule at AAHC, his practice and academic work at Meherry, my request was granted. The four hours I spent with Dr. Foster was quite an educational experience. Besides health care, his current research projects, multicultural topics, he shared with me the successful program that he launched in Tennessee to decrease teen pregnancy. Since July, I have been working with the writers of the TV series "ER", and suggested that they speak with him about this subject. All too often, we see the teenage moms and kids of teenage moms in the emergency department (ED). All too often, the reasons they are there are dramatic and tragic. As Dr. Foster knows all too well, prevention is the key.

In October, 1994, the Emergency Nurses Association held a Press Conference on the results of a current study of the significant increase in violence in our nation's emergency department. Because of Dr Foster's continued interest in our specialty, I made sure that a copy of the survey results was sent to him. I received a call from Dr. Foster inviting me to the Institute of Medicine's Annual Meeting related to the subject of "Violence". Once again, Dr. Foster introduced me to many individuals who were present for the meeting. And, this afforded additional opportunities for me to disseminate copies of our ENA Violence report to individuals/groups/agencies who can help "make a difference".

Since meeting Dr. Foster last year, I have found him to be an excellent mentor, never too busy talk to me, answer my questions, or share names of people with me. If I can be of assistance in this process, please feel free to contact at (815) 233-3914 or (312) 589-2831.

Sincerely,



Marilyn Rice, RN, BSN, MPA, CEN, CNAA



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March 23, 1995

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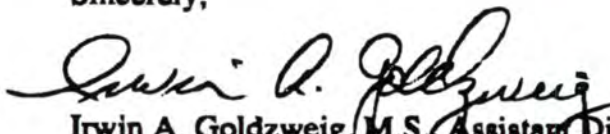
Dear Senator Kassenbaum:

This is to support the nomination of Henry Foster, M.D. for the position of Surgeon General of the United States. I would appreciate it if this letter would be made an official part of the record to be shared with the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources as testimony in support of Dr. Foster.

During Dr. Foster's tenure as Interim President of Meharry Medical College and his previous position as Dean and Vice President for Health Services, I was responsible for implementing a small grant from the United States Administration on Aging providing health promotion and disease prevention programs for elders in Nashville and the surrounding communities. The program offered health education and free health screenings. Dr. Foster played a pivotal role in providing leadership and setting the agenda for Meharry's active involvement in community outreach. In spite of his very busy schedule, he frequently took the time to attend the community health forums and engage in dialogue with the public, especially regarding their individual health questions. Dr. Foster could always be counted upon to roll up his sleeves and pitch in to double check a person's blood pressure or give individual consultation. His commitment and dedication to serving the community is something I have always admired.

I hope the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources will see Dr. Foster's potential to make a significant contribution to the future of our country.

Sincerely,


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Community Outreach & Marketing



Vanderbilt University Medical Center

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March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Attn: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
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428 Dirksen Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Henry W. Foster, Jr., M.D.
Nominee for Surgeon General

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I wish to give you and the Committee members a more accurate and a more personal view of Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. than has been expressed in the media and by the anti-abortionist groups.

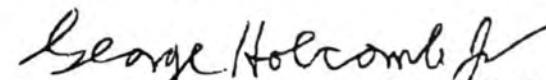
As a past President of the Tennessee Medical Association, I have known Dr. Foster for over 20 years and have always found him to be an honorable physician with undeniable integrity. He certainly has exhibited administrative capability in his duties at Meharry Medical College.

Dr. Foster also has shown insight in realizing the need to do something to curtail the alarming increase in teenage pregnancy. In this regard, he developed the program in Nashville called "I Have a Future". This initiative was directed toward urging teenage girls to develop self-esteem and make a better life for themselves. He urged them to abstain from pre-marital sex and plan for a more promising future than just becoming welfare mothers.

Dr. Foster is not an abortionist. He has performed a few abortions because of medical indications for health reasons, not strictly for monetary returns. I doubt that few, if any, obstetricians some time in their career have not been called upon to save a pregnant woman's life with this procedure, particularly in a teaching institution. I hope this issue alone will not influence the decision of the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

It is my personal opinion that Dr. Foster warrants confirmation for the position of Surgeon General.

Sincerely,


George W. Holcomb, Jr., M.D.

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March 23, 1995

The Honorable Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Attn.: Ms. June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
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Fax: 202-228-5044

Dear Honorable Senator Kassebaum:

I want to seize this opportunity to congratulate you as the new Chair, Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee. I believe your experience in the past committee membership has prepared you well for this leadership position. I am pleased to note that hearing will soon commence on the confirmation process on President Bill Clinton's nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. for the post of Surgeon-General. I believe you will be fair, just and honorable as you have always been so I have no fear that the truth shall prevail.

I am writing you this letter as a testimony and as a *friend* of your committee about this great surgeon, Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr., the individual that I have come to know and respect. In the last 50 years, no surgeon-general came into this office with an already validated program. He has a program which is exemplary, cutting-edge, very timely and speaks to the essence of this great nation. Every child should have an equal opportunity to excel in life. Dr. Foster is the only nominee in these recent times to have documented a program that is actually working, reducing pregnancy, unwanted children, enhancing family value, preserving family and glorifying what is decent and honorable in us all. His program addresses the recalcitrant problem of teen pregnancy, children-raising-children cycle of poverty culture, an endless sense of hopelessness. Replacing these negativities with an innovative and reinvigorated program that assures competitive educated young women, the leaders and workforce of tomorrow and assuring these women of continued leadership in their communities. His program and accomplishments should be celebrated not defended. This is the land of opportunity, a land that assures us all that we can be all we want to be. His program allows and encourages these young women to cherish "the land of opportunity" of this great nation.

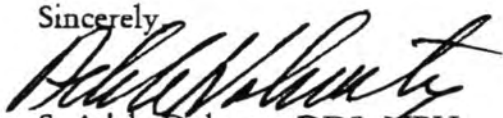
The debate continues unabated, issues of teenage pregnancy, unnecessary abortion, a sense of helplessness continue to confront us as a people and as a nation. The good news is that a revolution has begun away from Washington, D.C. and Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. is in the forefront of this revolution. His Program "*I Have A Future*" really works. The most prestigious health professional organization in the world, American Medical Association endorses his nomination. In the world we live today, the health providers should and ought to have a decisive say as to the methods of managing health care in this country.

I urge you and your committee members to remain focused, open-minded and above all fair, truthful and honorable. Endorse the nomination of this great American, a true American. His self-committal to serve humanity to the best of his ability wherever he finds himself is a noble mission worthy of the honor to serve as the next *Surgeon-General*. Please endorse the nomination of this great doctor, a noble American, the pride of his alma mater, and of the health profession, a friend of humanity, and a creditable ambassador of the health system in this United States. The position of this office should be reserved for individuals with high ethical standard and a responsible disposition. He is ethically sound and honorable.

I urge you to support the nomination of this decent and honorable man that has selflessly served this nation with pride. I urge you to speak in support of this great doctor that has operated within the laws of the United States and practiced his profession with dignity to labor, empathy toward all his patients, respecting every life, preserving health as nature intends and in accordance with the Hippocratic oath. By supporting a good man, we all gain and embrace the goodness in each of us, by supporting this doctor, we are opening the doors to all that is good and decent in us and encouraging all people of different backgrounds to cherish and embrace the *American dream*.

In conclusion, Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. is a great doctor and will be a great surgeon-general for us all. Please support a great doctor and you will be glad you did. God bless America. To penalize a person because he practices what he was taught and legal is the very opposite of what this great nation stands for. No one is above the law, not even the antiabortionists and certainly Dr. Foster performed according to the laws of the land.

Sincerely



S. Adele Doherty, DDS, MPH

We, the undersigned do support
the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster
for U.S. Surgeon General and urge
the committee to support him.

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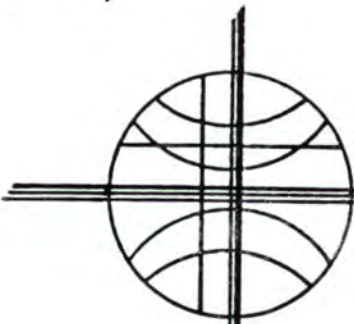
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March 20, 1995

The Honorable Nancy L. Kassebaum
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Washington, DC 20510-2203

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

Enclosed are several petitions in support of Dr. Henry Foster, nominee for Surgeon General. The signatures were obtained following worship services at First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill, in Nashville, a modest-sized congregation representing a diverse membership. It is our strong belief that **Dr. Foster** will be an **OUTSTANDING Surgeon General**. Hence, we encourage and urge you to show your support for this superbly qualified candidate.

The members of First Baptist Church, Capitol Hill, are thus pleading with you to consider this nominee's ENTIRE lifetime of extraordinary work and the contributions that he has made.

Thank you for your efforts in helping to secure the nomination of Dr. Foster as Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

Cleo J. Harris, Ed.D.
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March 21, 1995

Senator M. Kasselbaum
U. S. Senate
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Kasselbaum:

I write to request that Dr
Henry Foster's nomination for the
position of Surgeon General be confirmed.
He has spent a lifetime in
medicine and his record is
above reproach.

He need him, the President needs
him in this sensitive position.

Sincerely

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Jane Lawrence
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Dear Mrs. Lawrence,

I fully support the nomination of
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to support him.

Sincerely Yours

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Dear Senator Kassebaum,

I'm writing in behalf of Doctor Henry Foster proposed confirmation as Surgeon General. I would like to see an honest effort made in seeing that true justice prevail and he is confirmed as our new Surgeon General. Please judge him on his ability to do the job and the best job he can, with the help of God to guide him.

Do not judge him on what people say because of negative issues and bias feelings.

I hope you will take this to heart and please excuse this hand written note. I'm a senior but I'm concerned about my people God's people the human race.

God Bless you all

Sincerely

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Senator Kassebaum:

It is with great pleasure and solemn civic pride that I express my wholehearted support for Dr. Henry Foster's nomination to become the next Surgeon-General of the United States.

I would speak against the three most mentioned reasons why he should not be confirmed. They are: (1) the number of abortion procedures he has performed over the last 30 years; (2) Dr. Foster's integrity; and (3) the bungling of his nomination by the Clinton White House.

Regarding the first point, it is yet to be proven that Dr. Henry Foster committed any crime or illegalities in the years that he has practiced medicine as one of America's premier Board Certified Obstetrician/Gynecologists. It must be reiterated that abortion is not considered illegal in America for, under Roe vs. Wade, the Supreme Court has ruled that abortion procedures performed by a doctor, however abhorrent and immoral it is to a sizeable portion of Americans, is still constitutionally acceptable. Until that ruling is reversed, Dr. Foster, and any number of other doctors, will not be in violation of the law should they have to perform abortion procedures within the parameters set forth by law.

Ironically, Dr. Foster pointed out recently on Nightline with Ted Koppel, that he "abhors abortion". In cases which he had to perform abortion procedures, he said they were only "for rape, incest and saving the life of the mother". Should a man be castigated for something his society allows or permits as lawful, or should his society confer good behavior upon him for being law-abiding? I think rational men and women would agree with the latter rather than the former.

It can be clearly shown that Dr. Foster has done nothing wrong, illegal or unconstitutional. He has stayed within the confines of his professional ethical code and parameters and societal

jurisprudence. He should be commended and not assailed. Over the years, Dr. Foster established the program, I HAVE A FUTURE to seek out at-risk teenagers and to work with them to prevent teenage pregnancies. This program has helped many teenagers avoid teenage pregnancy, thereby making abortions unnecessary for the group with the highest and increased rate of pregnancies. The I HAVE A FUTURE PROGRAM received a commendation from President Bush's administration as one of the 1,000 POINTS OF LIGHT. This adds value to Dr. Foster as a consummate professional and truly supports his claim that he detests and abhors abortion.

The second issue being used to stop Dr. Foster's nomination is integrity. It is said that, at different times, Dr. Foster said he performed about 12, 39 or some 700 abortions over the last 30 years. Dr. Foster said that he mis-spoke about the number of abortion procedures he has performed in his career. How many of us have not mis-spoken and corrected ourselves when we learned the facts?

I think the worst kind of man is the one, who refuses upon learning he is mistaken, to correct himself. Dr. Foster, before the nation and on Nightline, stated that upon reflection and in hindsight, he should have consulted his records more thoroughly about how many abortions he has performed before speaking extemporaneously to reporters about it. When Dr. Foster had the chance to re-examine his files, he as any man with integrity will do, corrected himself and apologize for the error.

This should not taint one's character. It should rather brighten it. But, unfortunately, in today's America contrition on the part of anyone is a sign of "a damaged good" that is irreparable. Even the good book, The Holy Bible, says that one should be forgiven in their contrition. Integrity to me is being able to say you are wrong when you discover that you are. Dr. Foster should not be raked over the coals for admitting error, if in the process, he sets his records straight.

Thirdly, there is no question that the White House bungled this nomination. They have said as much. This whole affair could have been handled better in a straight and clearer manner by presenting Dr. Foster as a nationally renowned medical practitioner who, over 30 years, has performed abortion procedures to save the life of the mother, or due to rape or incest. It could also have been communicated that he, Dr. Foster, abhors abortions and only performed them under the rarest of such cases.

Even though this straightforward approach was not chosen by the White House, I doubt that there was an intent or motive to conceal his record that as an Obstetrician/Gynecologist at a predominantly

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Black teaching hospital, he would have been involved with abortion procedures. It is insane to suppose that the President's handlers chose to conceal this area of Dr. Foster's career and not expect a witch-hunting frenzy on the part of the press, which I might add is occurring now.

I accept the statements by the President's staff that they made a mistake in handling the nomination and concur with them that the strong credentials Dr. Foster brings to the position of Surgeon General outweighs presidential staff bungling and error or at worst misjudgment

Finally and to encapsulate, abortion is a legal medical procedure in the United States and Dr. Foster broke no law of the United States over the last 30 years when he performed this medical procedure in the rarest of cases.

Dr. Foster possesses integrity in that he openly and publicly owned up to his miscalculation of how many abortion procedures he has performed. When he had time to re-calculate and pore over his files and records for exactitude, he corrected the error.

Also, the mistakes committed by the White House staff must not be used to derail the nomination of one of America's finest and compassionate medical professionals.

I wholeheartedly support Dr. Foster's nomination and I ask the Senate to confirm him and for the country to stand by the President's excellent choice. He should not be punished or scapegoated for the controversy and the tensions that abortion brings to the political arena for there are rational people on both sides of the battle. Better yet, there are some who are working to eliminate at the root, the instances that lead to teenage pregnancy. Dr. Foster is a general in this army and he deserves to be confirmed as Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry Ponder", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Henry Ponder
President

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March 22, 1995

Senator Kassenbaum c/o June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kassenbaum:

This is to express my very strong support for the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as Surgeon General. Dr. Foster has provided outstanding service for his whole career and we would do well to have him as our "top doc". He brings much to the office.

Sincerely

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Harrison C. Visscher, MD, FACOG**5721 Lakeshore Drive
Holland, Michigan 49424****Ph: (616) 399-3601****fax: (616) 399-9153****24 March 1995****Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
428 Dirksen Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510****Dear Senator Kassebaum:**

I am writing to encourage you to support the nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. for Surgeon General. I request that this testimony be included in the committee record. I support him on the basis of my having worked closely with Dr. Foster at a national level for approximately the last 11 years. After practicing Obstetrics and Gynecology for almost 20 years at Blodgett Memorial Medical Center in Grand Rapids, Michigan including being Department Chairman and Director of its Residency Training Program, I served the last 15 years as the Director of Education for the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists in Washington, DC. I retired in August of 1994. This is the medical specialty society for 34,000 obstetricians and gynecologists most of whom practice and serve the medical needs of reproductive and early postmenopausal aged women in the United States encompassing some 60 million ambulatory care visits per year.

Dr. Henry Foster, in addition to his local responsibilities at Meharry Medical College as professor, department chairman, dean, vice president and acting president over the past approximately 20 years, has been very involved at the national level in a leadership role in Obstetrics and Gynecology. I have worked closely with Henry at the Association of Professors for Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO), the Council of Resident Education for Obstetrics and Gynecology (CREOG), and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG). These are the three major national organizations that give direction to the medical student, resident, and continuing medical education needs for the specialty. Henry was honored by being chosen president of APGO. He was recently vice chairman of the ACOG Education Commission which was one of my important responsibilities. He has chaired and been a member of numerous committees for these organizations.

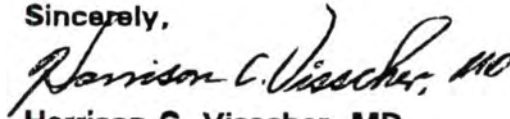
During my observation at these various activities I have found Dr. Foster to play an influential leadership role in our specialty. He always has political tact and a

wonderful sense of humor. He is well acquainted with and understands the health care needs of our nation at all socioeconomic levels. He brings an academic as well as medical practice perspective. He has worked successfully with health care problems, and also difficult institutional financial issues. His integrity and honesty have been above reproach. He is so down to earth, effective, and dedicated to serving the health care needs of people. The success of the local "I Have a Future" program in Nashville working with one of our major national problems, teen age pregnancy, is an example of how effective Henry can be. I cannot think of a better person to be using the assets of the office of the Surgeon General to serve the health needs of the men, women, and children of the United States.

To negate his qualifications to become Surgeon General because he has performed abortions is a real disservice to the people of this country. In my experience there are very few obstetricians and gynecologist or for that matter other counselors, including pastors, college chaplains, social workers, and psychologist, people who work every day in the trenches, who at some time have not condoned abortion. Dr. Foster is a successful, mature, nationally respected individual who, if he were given the opportunity to nationalize his "I Have a Future" teen age pregnancy program, could decrease by one-third the number of abortions in this country. That would represent a decrease of 500,000 abortions per year, but also bring about a marked decrease in other associated socioeconomic costly problems. To me that is one of a number of goals that I can imagine Henry achieving as U.S. Surgeon General.

I strongly encourage you to support the nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. for Surgeon General. When you meet him you will find at both a personal and professional level he is a wonderful human being.

Sincerely,



Harrison C. Visscher, MD



Huldah C. Blamoville, M.D.

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March 21, 1995

I support the nomination
of Dr. Henry Foster for US
Surgeon General and urge
the Committee to support him

Sincerely,
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LaVont L. Cooper, M.D.

March 23, 1995

Jane Jannace
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington D.C. 20510

"I support the nomination of Dr Henry
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Sincerely,
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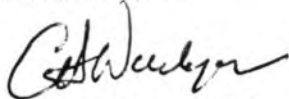
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General Lawrence Committee on Human Resources
United State Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

To Whom It May Concern:

Because of my personal and professional training and experience with Dr. Henry Foster, I strongly recommend the nomination of Dr. Foster for United State Surgeon General, due to his superior educational background and leadership at Meharry Medical College.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C.A. Darby".

C.A. Darby, M.D.

March 21, 1995

Ms. June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington D. C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry
Foster for U. S. Surgeon General and
urge the Committee to support this outstanding
physician.

Thank you, for your attention to this
important decision.

Sincerely,
Patricia A. B. Williams

Marvin L. West, D.D.S.
7104 Breckenridge Dr.
Montgomery, Alabama 36117
March 22, 1995

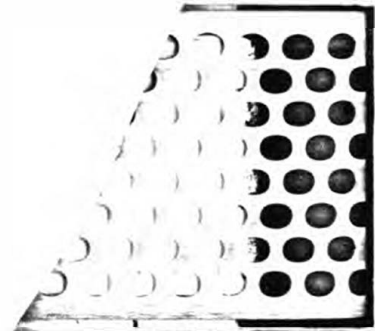
June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear June Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S.
Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.
Thank you.

Sincerely,

Marvin L. West, D.D.S.
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March 21, 1995

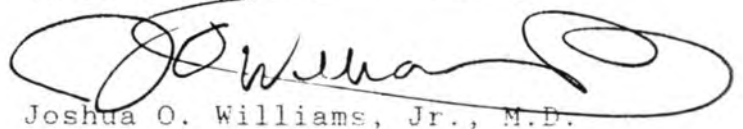
JUNE LAWRENCE
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington DC 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S.
Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Thank you very much!!

Yours truly,

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Joshua O. Williams, Jr., M.D.

"Peace"

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Mr. Jane D.
U.S. Commissioner of Labor
Human Resources

Mr. Jane D. This letter is in regards to the appointment of Physician Dr. Fester to the position of U. S. Surgeon General.

As my civic duty I must speak out in regards to Dr. Fester. We want him in office and the sooner the better. What would the opposition want, to have him elect to allow a woman or female, have multiple births, and unwanted children yet neglected and without the love that they most certainly deserve or let the female choose to have an abortion legally, or to have an illegal slaughter, so few the chances for success, tragedy and even death.

Let us stop all this bickering about inconsequential trivial matters and let the Doctor go into the position and do what I'm sure he's capable of doing.

It's too bad we have a mad man up there in the House, plus others, who have so much opposition to every appointment that, The President of these United States, President Bill Clinton, has contributed to. This makes me wonder how much these negative aspirations, are affecting our young African Americans. Let us join together in Unity.

Respectfully
Mrs. Viola Lewis



Randolph R. Hadley, M.D.
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March 22, 1995

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

RE: HENRY FOSTER, M.D.

Dear Sir:

This letter is written in support and endorsement of my good friend and colleague Dr. Henry Foster.

I have known Dr. Foster for many years. During that time, he has exhibited the highest moral and ethical character and has proven himself capable and dedicated to achieving his goals of becoming a competent physician.

Dr. Foster has the ability to relate effectively with patients, as well as other professionals. He is responsible, dependable and very hard working.

I am pleased to "support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him."

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "R. Hadley".

Randolph R. Hadley, M.D.

Mar 21, 1995

Sen. Max Baucus
Committee on Labor &
Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington DC 20510

Dear Mr. Baucus,

Please know that I firmly recommend
the nomination of Dr. Foster for the position
of Surgeon General.

As an elder of the First Presbyterian Church
of Annapolis, leader in AARP (representing 60,000 families),
and president of Parents United I feel a
moral obligation to strongly urge you to
consider Dr. Foster the most qualified person
for this position.

Thank you for your careful consideration.

Sincerely
Dennis J. Foster



MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE

SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY
OFFICE OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassenbaum
Chairperson, Committee on Labor & Human
Resources
4 Dirksen Building
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Washington, DC 20510

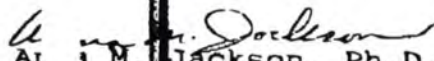
Attention: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant

Dear Senator Kassenbaum:

This letter is written in support of Dr. Henry Foster, Surgeon
General nominee.

Dr. Foster has devoted his professional career to the
alleviation of health problems in populations most in need of
medical intervention, the disadvantaged and underserved. His
efforts have been directed toward youth in the form of pregnancy
prevention, parenting skill improvement and substance abuse
prevention and in the improvement of women's health. His
experience, intelligence and sensitivity to health issues are
specially needed. He will serve us well as surgeon general.

Sincerely,


Aron M. Jackson, Ph.D.
Assistant Dean, Student Affairs

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The rose represents beauty & love, love being the most powerful force in the universe.
The lightning bolts represent the ultimate in speed and energy.
The tiger is the universal symbol of raw courage, fearlessness and a wild, fierce and savage fighting spirit.
The black belt of Karate symbolizes the goal of Karate, the perfection of the character of its participants.
The globes represent the world, our family.
Love gives us the energy, courage, fearlessness and fighting spirit needed in our constant struggle for perfection.
This struggle gives us the strength needed to help others and to fight against hatred, injustice and despair. Together we will make our world a more beautiful, happy and loving place to live in. Take care of people and they'll take care of the problems.

TONY W. JOHNSON, PRESIDENT

TO: Senator Nancy Landon Kassebaum
ATTENTION: June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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FROM: Tony W. Johnson
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March 24, 1995

Dear Senator Kassebaum,

I sincerely hope you will support and approve the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as the new Surgeon General of the United States. What he believes in - attitude, self-esteem, common sense, the need to believe in a future - applies to everyone in the world. This is really nothing new, but few people focus and take action on it the way he does. The program he started, "I Have a Future", is a great example of what can be done. Having a modern hospital building or a brand new rifle is not what makes a good doctor or a good marine - It takes inner development.

In the February 20th issue of the New York Times, there are the results of a study done by the Census Bureau showing attitude as the #1 factor (out of eleven) looked at by employers, nationwide, when considering hiring a new non-supervisory or production worker. Even when working with "things" in business, industry, manufacturing, and so on, Dr. Foster's concepts work. It is people who operate and produce "things", and if there is great morale, there will be a high quality of products and results that will improve the "bottom line".

By applying what Dr. Foster talks about as being important, we have succeeded with prevention, rehabilitation, and socialization - physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually - of people with disabilities, veterans, alcoholics, addicts (drugs, cigarettes, food...), homeless, seniors, minority adults at risk (They are neglected - "too old", "too late" - in favor of the youth, and they shouldn't/needn't be), and gang members. We integrate and mainstream everyone, including race, ethnicity, religion, disability, and age. Many become employed, seek education, vocation (or return if they dropped), and all because we emphasize and apply what he understands is needed for success in any endeavor.

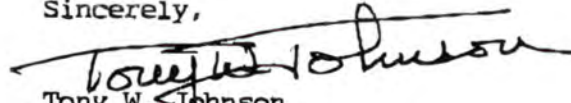
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The people of our country (all countries) need to hear (and listen to) what he has to say. The values that Dr. Foster believes in - attitude, self-esteem, common sense, the need to believe in a future - are the foundation for success in any activity that involves people, particularly where success is critical for the well-being of the people and through them, our country.

Again, I ask for your support and approval of the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as the next Surgeon General of the United States.

Keep positive thoughts and good health.

Sincerely,

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Tony W. Johnson
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March 23rd 1995

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence,

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Yours truly,
Yvette Nazaire

P.O. Box 26445
New Orleans, La. 70186
March 21, 1995

Senator Nancy L. Kassebaum
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Senator Kassebaum:

I write today in support of the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for the office of Surgeon General of the United States. After becoming aware of his many qualifications to hold this position, I am convinced that he can and will give the kind of skillful, committed and outstanding service that will be of great benefit to children, women, men, and our entire families as a whole in this nation. A healthy nation can continue to be a great nation.

Sincerely,
Stella L. Poindexter
Board President
Project PACT

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Senator Kassebaum
Cmte. on Labor & Human Resources
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator,

This letter is written in support of
your advocacy and vote in the
confirmation of Dr. Henry Taster as Surgeon
General.

Sincerely
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DEAR June Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster
for the U.S. Surgeon General and urge the
committee to support him.

His past speaks for itself.

Warm Regards





March 22, 1995

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

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"I Support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S.
Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him."

Thank you,

Keith E. Buggs, D.D.S.

Dr. Keith Buggs D.D.S.

Maurice C. Clifford, M.D.
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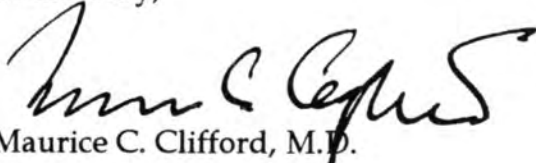
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Ms. June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

As an obstetrician-gynecologist who has known Dr. Henry Foster for more than a decade, I find him to be a man of unimpeachable integrity, sound judgment, and high professional standing. I urge the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources to give him the fair and considerate hearing he deserves. In that circumstance, I am confident the Committee will recommend his confirmation.

Yours truly,



Maurice C. Clifford, M.D.

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Jane Lawrence
Committee on Labor + Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington DC 20510

I support the nomination of
Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon
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to support him.

Sincerely,
Dr Eddon Duran

JAMES W. DIXON, M.D., P.A.
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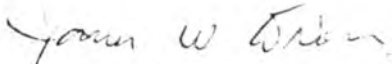
Ms June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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Washington, D. C. 20510

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for
U.S. Surgeon General and urge the Committee to support
him for the same.

I feel that Dr. Foster would make an excellent
Surgeon General and serve our country very well. He has
made so many outstanding contributions in the Field of
Medicine and in Public Health.

Respectfully,


James W. Dixon, M.D.



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Thank you.

Dr. Claude T. DuBose D.D.S.

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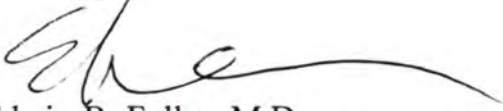
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Ms. June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him. I have known Dr. Foster for more than thirty years. His integrity and credibility are excellent. I have no reservation in fully supporting this nomination.

Sincerely,

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Edwin B. Fuller, M.D.
ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON

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March 20, 1995

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I am writing concerning the Dr. Henry Foster nomination for U. S. Surgeon General. Unfortunately, Dr. Foster has been the focal point of a very vocal segment of our population that is against abortion. No one is totally within the bounds of acceptability to all factions or groups that could be considered for a responsible position. I hope that Dr. Foster's record will be considered in totality. It would show his definite contributions to one of medicine's major problems, teen-age pregnancy.

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U. S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Sincerely,

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Samuel D. Houston, M. D.
SDH:bf

3/22/95

Emeka Ikpeazu, M.D., Ph.D.
Dept. of Internal Medicine
 Meharry Medical College
Nashville, TN 37208

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

I am writing to support the nomination
of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon
General and I urge the Committee to
support him.

Thanks

Sincerely yours,

Emeka V. Ikpeazu.

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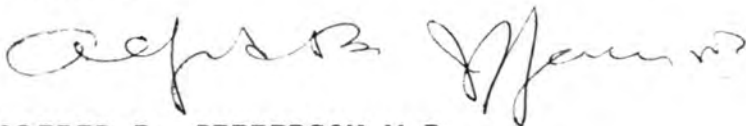
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JUNE LAWRENCE
COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES
UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

DEAR MS. LAWRENCE:

" I SUPPORT THE NOMINATION OF DR. HENRY FOSTER FOR U.S. SURGEON
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SINCERELY,

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ALFRED B. JEFFERSON, M.D.

Hazel E. Patterson, R.N.
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March 22, 1995

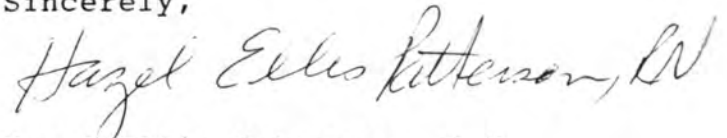
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Hazel Ellis Patterson, R.N.

L. V. Reese, M.D.
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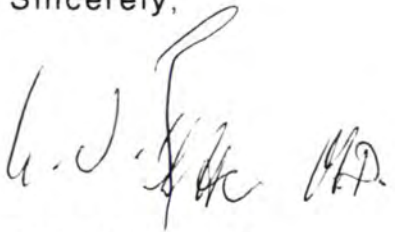
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Dear Ms. Lawrence,

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Sincerely,

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L.V. Reese, M.D.



The United Nations University

Food and Nutrition Programme for Human and Social Development

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U.S. Senate
Washington DC, 21510

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March 22, 1995

Dear Senator Kassenbaum:

As a member of the Institute of Medicine, the National Academy of Sciences, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences I am writing this letter in strong support of the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as Surgeon General of the US Public Health Service. In my former capacity as Head of the Department of Nutrition and Food Science and the Clinical Research Center at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and as a specialist in clinical and public health nutrition, I have long been familiar with some of the important scientific and educational contributions of Henry Foster and held him in high regard.

However, it was not until my service as a member of the National Advisory Committee for the Center of Nutrition at Meharry Medical College that I came to know him personally and appreciate his administrative and interpersonal skills as well as his dedication to the prevention of disease. Accordingly, I was delighted when I heard of his nomination and felt at once that the administration had made an ideal choice.

Dr. Foster as a researcher, educator, leader, public health advocate, and compassionate physician should receive overwhelming support when he is considered for confirmation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nevin S. Scrimshaw, M.D., Ph.D.
Institute Professor Emeritus
Massachusetts Institute of Technology and
Director, Food and Nutrition Programme
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March 22, 1995

Ms. June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The attacks upon the nomination of Dr. Henry
Foster are mean, irrelevant, and unwarranted.

I strongly support his nomination for Surgeon
General, and urge your committee to do the
same.

Sincerely,

Paul G. Williams, M.D.
PAUL G. WILLIAMS, M.D.

*P.S. I was very impressed with Sen.
Kassebaum's remarks at the Knight-
Ridder luncheon (seen on C-Span)!!
Her careful and caring approach is
reassuring, and not just "change for
the sake of change".*

PW

March 22, 1995

Jane Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I wish to express my support for the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the entire committee to support his nomination. He is a credit to his profession, well learned and a scholar and this country should be honored to have such an individual representing them as U.S. Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

Rebecca E. Wells, M.D.

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03-21-95

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United State Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madame:

I am writing to support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General. I have known Dr. Foster for over 10 years. He is very intelligent, articulate, personable and honest. He is well educated and well trained in his field of medicine.

He has done outstanding work in medical education and research and in Public Health areas. He is definitely the right person for this important position. I urge your committee to please support him; because, I know he will be an asset to our country.

Yours truly,

James F. Densler, MD., FAAP, FACS.

DOUGLAS FORD, JR., M.D.
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March 21, 1995

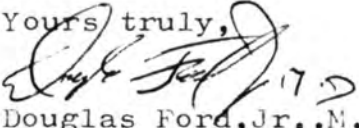
RE: Nomination of
Dr. Henry Foster

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United State Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence;

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S.
Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Thank you.

Yours truly,

Douglas Ford, Jr., M.D.
Meharry, Class of 1951



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OFFICE OF THE DEAN

March 21, 1995

Ms. June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Support for Dr. Henry Foster, Nominee for US Surgeon General

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I am pleased to support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as U.S. Surgeon General. Dr. Henry is eminently qualified as physician and scholar for this position. His thirty-plus years of practice as a physician, educator and humanitarian have undoubtedly had a positive effect on the health of those he served. His demonstrated principles of disease prevention and health promotion are important public health concepts which he has stressed throughout his career. These are concepts that will ultimately improve the health of U.S. Citizens and help reduce to escalating health care costs seen in recent years if they are widely applied across the country.

Dr. Foster's demonstrated record of medical care in Alabama should be a model for others to follow in terms of his dedication and the help he brought to his patients. His forward thinking and past actions on teen age pregnancy have been very beneficial to those communities receiving his attention. He serves as an excellent example of what can be done with careful planning to improve the quality of life and preservation of dignity. His qualities as an educator supporting disease prevention and health promotion will benefit all of us. He has the experience, knowledge and skills to carry out the responsibilities of U.S. Surgeon General in a most distinguished manner.

In summary, I recommend and urge your support for Dr. Henry Foster as the next U.S. Surgeon General.

Sincerely,

Robert H. Gray, Ph.D.
Professor and Associate Dean

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I support the nomination of
Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon
General and urge the committee to
support him.

Lloyd B. Greig

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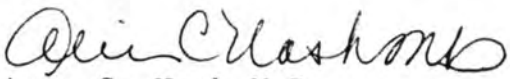
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March 21, 1995

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United States Senate
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to support him.

Sincerely,


Alison C. Nash M.D.

ACN/am

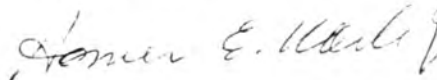
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Sincerely,

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Homer e. Nash M.D.

HEN/am

JAMES D. PALMER M.D., P.A.

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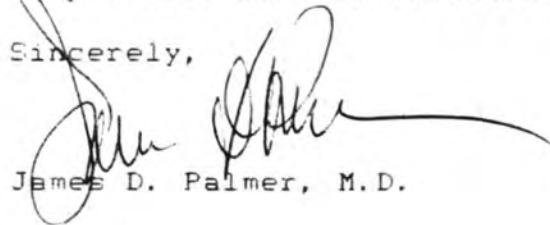
March 21, 1995

June Lawrence
Committee On Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

In reply to your letter dated March 15th, I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

If you need further assistance, please feel free to call or write.

Sincerely,

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James D. Palmer, M.D.

JDP/meo

Edward Anthony Rankin, M.D.

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The Honorable Nancy Landon Kassebaum
Chairman Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources
The Russell Building
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

As a practicing health professional, I can assure you that Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr., is an outstanding physician and educator. His influence as the Surgeon-General, could significantly advance health awareness and the prevention of teen pregnancy in our country.

Dr. Foster, throughout his distinguished career, has emphasized family values, and abstinence among inner city youths. During his impressive thirty-eight years as an outstanding practicing physician, educator and community leader, he has cultivated a sense of optimism in impoverished youngsters about their lives. He gave teenage youths incentives to delay having a child. His commitment to providing quality prenatal and adolescent health care to the poor and underserved exemplifies his motivation. Dr. Foster's dedication to young adolescents has inspired and challenged me as a healthcare provider.

As Surgeon-General, Dr. Foster's proven ability as a practicing physician, administrator and educator would greatly benefit our nation.

Senator Kassebaum, your history of, fair mindedness, dictates your positive vote in this matter. Your constituents, who applaud and support your leadership, continue in wishing you success.

Senator, I ask you to vote, yes, for the confirmation of Henry W. Foster, Jr., M.D., as our next Surgeon-General.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ed A. Rankin, M.D.", followed by a large, sweeping flourish.

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March 21, 1995

June Lawrence
Committee On Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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If you need further assistance, please feel free to call or write.

Sincerely,

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William H. Render, M.D.

WHR/meo

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June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources

March 22, 1995

United States Senate
Washington D C 20510

My Dear Miss Lawrence,

This letter comes because like my colleagues I support the nomination of Dr Henry Foster for the U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him. My support has been known since right after the nomination. Since a guy I know was told about it and a letter was also sent to the President in support urging the President to stand by his nominee.

Sincerely,



Dr Mike Streams, M.D.

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Residence
2 Herford Place
Yeadon, Pa 19050-2408

March 22, 1995

Dear Ms Laurence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the Committee to support him. He is a good man for the job.

Sincerely,

Roy M Taylor, D.D.S., Ph.D., D.Sc.

Margie Griffin Thompson
816 Liddesdale
Detroit, MI 48217

March 21, 1995

June Lawrence
Committee on labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington DC 20510

I am in support of the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for the
office of as U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to
support him.

Very truly yours,

Margie Griffin Thompson

Marvin L. West, D.D.S.
7104 Breckenridge Dr.
Montgomery, Alabama 36117
March 22, 1995

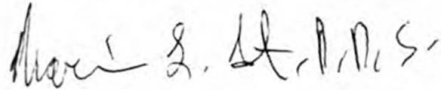
June Lawrence
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United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear June Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S.
Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Marvin L. West, D.D.S.

ITEMS Received
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ADDITIONAL SHEET

WRITTEN TESTIMONY SUBMITTED ON DR. HENRY FOSTER

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3/27/95	3/27/95 (FAX)	Dr. Carol J. Scott, Principal & Consultant The Medical Education Group, Inc. One East University Parkway, Suite 106 Baltimore, Maryland 21218
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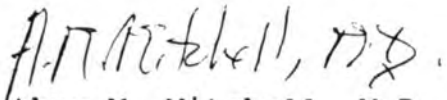
Ms. Jane Lawrence
Committee On Labor & Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I completely support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General, and I urge the committee to support him.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Respectfully Yours,


Arthur M. Mitchell, M.D.
AMM:rh

4 Briarberry Road
Columbia SC 29211
March 24 1967

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington DC 20510

Dear Ms Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon
General and I am committed to support him.

Sincerely,

Henry Foster, M.D. FACS
Henry Foster, M.D. FACS



Morton A. Stenchever, M.D.
Professor and Chairman

Department of
Obstetrics and Gynecology

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March 24, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Attn: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
428 Dirksen Building
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the nomination of Henry Foster, M.D. for the position of Surgeon General. I have known Dr. Foster for 30 years. He is a superb man with an impeccable record and background and one of the most honest and decent individuals I have ever known.

Dr. Foster worked his way through college and medical school in his native Arkansas. He then embarked on a career in Obstetrics and Gynecology and carefully prepared himself for a position of leadership in academic medicine. Dr. Foster served as Chair, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Meharry University and accomplished wonders with minimal resources. He then moved on to Dean and for a while was Acting President at the same institution. Dr. Foster grew in stature with each assignment. Throughout his entire career he has been extremely devoted to the welfare of women and children. He has been extremely active in trying to prevent teen pregnancy and has personally developed and advanced many initiatives in both prevention and education. He has been an active and tireless worker for the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and for the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics of which he served as President.

Dr. Foster realizes, as do most of us who practice Obstetrics and Gynecology, that if a physician does not have a strong religious reason for not performing pregnancy terminations, such an operation may be the lesser evil in the life of a woman and her physician than being asked to carry an unwanted pregnancy and bring into the world a child who may not be acceptable for adoption and may suffer a sad and unhappy life. This is particularly true when dealing with genetically anomalous children or the products of an incestuous relationship. A physician has a moral responsibility not to abandon his patient in crisis such as this and a caring physician must answer this moral responsibility even if he or she (as do most of us) finds this operation repugnant. I know for a fact that this is the way in

Page Two

which Dr. Foster has exercised his moral responsibilities and I believe the majority of obstetricians have done likewise. Abortion is a legal operation and was used judiciously by Dr. Foster in the best interest of his patients.

In making a judgment as to whether or not the man should be Surgeon General, you must take into consideration his entire career and also consider the good he is capable of doing for the citizens of our country. I must say that I am appalled by the treatment he has received as his nomination proceeds and would hope that this valuable and decent physician could be given the opportunity to be judged on his total record.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Morton A. Stenchever (st)

Morton A. Stenchever, M.D.
Professor and Chairman

Woodie D. Herron, M.D.

403 South Chestnut Street
Aberdeen, MS 39730

03-24-95

RE: Dr. Henry Foster,

Dear Sir/Madame,

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General. His integrity and credibility is unchallenged.

Sincerely,

Woodie D. Herron, M.D.

Woodie D. Herron, M.D.
WDH/mjg1

52 Roland Park Drive
Huntington, WV 25705
March 1, 1995

Senator Nancy Landon Kassebaum
302 Russell Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20510-1602

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

It is with pleasure that I write to you to support the U. S. Senate confirmation of Henry Foster, Jr., M.D. for the position of surgeon general. Having first met Dr. Foster 13 years ago when I assumed the position of Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs at Meharry College, I have come to know him over the years.

Dr. Foster possess strong academic, professional and intellectual skills. He is honest, a man of high integrity, a quick thinker, a visionary leader and an able and effective administrator. He has demonstrated the ability to address seriously our nation's horrendous problems of drugs and teen pregnancy and to develop appropriate programs of action. He espouses the core values of our American society as well, and he has a record of facilitating constructive societal change for which President George Bush recognized him.

I am confident that Dr. Henry Foster would be a great asset to the nation as surgeon general. He has the experience and personal qualities for the position, and he has earned the respect and admiration of colleagues and of those fortunate to know him, for his ideas, his fairness, and unshakeable integrity. In short, Senator Kassebaum, Dr. Foster is a completely honorable human being who deserves to be confirmed as surgeon general.

With grateful appreciation.

Sincerely,

Betty J. Cleckley, Ph. D.

There is so thing wrong
with the pro-life movement
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protesting abortion

- the whole class wants

nothing to do with pro-life or

pro-choice it's so

why do they want

to control the

Abortion rights?

Fit right in

One of the poorest excuses not to confirm Dr. Henry Foster Jr. as surgeon general is that he lied as to the number of abortions he performed in the past. I would like to see every politician who ever lied be told to move out of Washington.

We would see the greatest exodus since Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt.

ELIZABETH THOMSON
Peachtree City

Dr Henry Foster consistently shows good moral judgment.

Robert W. Jessamy M.D.

DONALD R. ALLEN, D.D.S., M.S.

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March 22, 1995

Ms. June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S.
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Sincerely yours,

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Donald R. Allen, D.D.S., M.S.

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MARCH 23, 1995

SENATOR NANCY KASSEBAUM
THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF
PUBLIC LIAISON
WASHINGTON, DC

DEAR SENATOR KASSEBAUM:

I WOULD FORMALLY LIKE TO CONGRATULATE DR. HENRY FOSTER, JR.
I, AS WELL AS HIS FAMILY, FRIENDS, PEERS, AND ALL AMERICANS
OF ANY COLOR SPECTRUM, MUST COMMEND HIM ON HIS NOMINATION BY
PRESIDENT CLINTON AS SURGEON GENERAL OF OUR NATION.

I AM AS PROUD AS A PEACOCK TO BE ABLE TO SAY TO ANYONE THAT I
KNOW DR. FOSTER AND BEST OF ALL HE IS A PERSONAL FRIEND OF
MINE. I WORKED FOR DR. FOSTER FROM 1984 TO 1986 AT MEHARRY
MEDICAL GROUP, WHERE HE SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF
HIS MEDICAL PRACTICE GROUP. SIMULTANEOUSLY, HE SERVED AS
CHAIRMAN AND PROFESSOR OF MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE'S
DEPARTMENT OF OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY. THOSE POSITIONS,
COUPLED WITH THE VARIOUS COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS IN
WHICH HE WAS INVOLVED WERE VERY TIME CONSUMING. DR. FOSTER,
HOWEVER, WAS NEVER TOO BUSY TO STOP AND INQUIRE ABOUT ANY ONE
ELSE'S WELL-BEING. OR TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS OF THE
STAFF OF MEHARRY MEDICAL GROUP. HE NEVER LEFT ANY JOB
'UNDONE'! HIS ETHICS AND MORAL VALUES WERE EXEMPLARY! AS A
COMPLIMENTARY GESTURE, THE STAFF DUBBED HIM "DR. HUXTABLE".

DR. FOSTER'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS ARE RENOWNED. AS I STATED, I AM
QUITE PROUD OF HIM. HE IS INDEED, ONE OF MY GREATEST
MENTORS AND HAS MY RESOUNDING SUPPORT!

SINCERELY,

Carol J. McElroy

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cc: HENRY W. FOSTER, JR., M.D.



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March 27, 1995

Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Attention: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

I met Dr. Foster during a meeting sponsored by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention regarding Faculty Development for Substance Abuse on November 30, 1994. There are many who feel he has earned this nomination and are supporting him. I feel privileged to join them with this letter of support for his nomination as Surgeon General.

I look forward to his contributions to the profession and to the public as a role model, as a scholar and as a leader.

Thank you for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Carol J. Scott
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cc: Marilyn Yeager

To: June Lawrence
Comm. on Labor & H.R.
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

I support the
nomination of Dr.
Henry Foster for
U.S. Surgeon General
and urge the Com-
mittee to support
him.

Sincerely,
Roy E. Boggs, M.D.

Roy E. Boggs, M.D.
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Dear Mr. Lawrence

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Nancy Landon Kassebaum
c/o June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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Washington, D. C. 20510

I am strongly supportive of the President's nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for the Office of Surgeon General. Dr. Foster is a brilliant caring physician who will bring excellence and integrity to this high office. More importantly, his sense of family and religious values and his outstanding contribution to the community are all ample indicators of the President's choice to lead this nation's health advocacy.

Many of us in the faith community are appall and resentful of the efforts by the Southern Baptists to destroy Dr. Foster's creditability with misleading characterizations. Dr. Foster will make a difference and the Senate can join him in this effort by confirming his nomination.

Sincerely



Reverend Ces Cook, Director
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The Honorable Senator Nancy Kassebaum
Attn.: Ms. June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
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Dear Honorable Senator Kassebaum:

I want to seize this opportunity to congratulate you as the new Chair, Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee. I believe your experience in the past committee membership has prepared you well for this leadership position. I am pleased to note that hearing will soon commence on the confirmation process on President Bill Clinton's nomination of Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. for the post of Surgeon-General. I believe you will be fair, just and honorable as you have always been so I have no fear that the truth shall prevail.

I am writing you this letter as a testimony and as a *friend* of your committee about this great surgeon, Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr., the individual that I have come to know and respect. In the last 50 years, no surgeon-general came into this office with an already validated program. He has a program which is exemplary, cutting-edge, very timely and speaks to the essence of this great nation. Every child should have an equal opportunity to excel in life. Dr. Foster is the only nominee in these recent times to have documented a program that is actually working, reducing pregnancy, unwanted children, enhancing family value, preserving family and glorifying what is decent and honorable in us all. His program addresses the recalcitrant problem of teen pregnancy, children-raising-children cycle of poverty culture, an endless sense of hopelessness. Replacing these negativities with an innovative and reinvigorated program that assures competitive educated young women, the leaders and workforce of tomorrow and assuring these women of continued leadership in their communities. His program and accomplishments should be celebrated not defended. This is the land of opportunity, a land that assures us all that we can be all we want to be. His program allows and encourages these young women to cherish "the land of opportunity" of this great nation.

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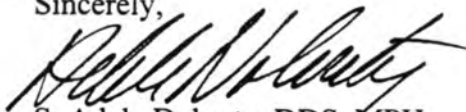
The debate continues unabated, issues of teenage pregnancy, unnecessary abortion, a sense of helplessness continue to confront us as a people and as a nation. The good news is that a revolution has begun away from Washington, D.C. and Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. is in the forefront of this revolution. His Program "*I Have A Future*" really works. The most prestigious health professional organization in the world, American Medical Association endorses his nomination. In the world we live today, the health providers should and ought to have a decisive say as to the methods of managing health care in this country.

I urge you and your committee members to remain focused, open-minded and above all fair, truthful and honorable. Endorse the nomination of this great American, a true American. His self-committal to serve humanity to the best of his ability wherever he finds himself is a noble mission worthy of the honor to serve as the next *Surgeon-General*. Please endorse the nomination of this great doctor, a noble American, the pride of his alma mater, and of the health profession, a friend of humanity, and a creditable ambassador of the health system in this United States. The position of this office should be reserved for individuals with high ethical standard and a responsible disposition. He is ethically sound and honorable.

I urge you to support the nomination of this decent and honorable man that has selflessly served this nation with pride. I urge you to speak in support of this great doctor that has operated within the laws of the United States and practiced his profession with dignity to labor, empathy toward all his patients, respecting every life, preserving health as nature intends and in accordance with the Hippocratic oath. By supporting a good man, we all gain and embrace the goodness in each of us, by supporting this doctor, we are opening the doors to all that is good and decent in us and encouraging all people of different backgrounds to cherish and embrace the *American dream*.

In conclusion, Dr. Henry W. Foster, Jr. is a great doctor and will be a great surgeon-general for us all. Please support a great doctor and you will be glad you did. God bless America. To penalize a person because he practices what he was taught and legal is the very opposite of what this great nation stands for. No one is above the law, not even the antiabortionists and certainly Dr. Foster performed according to the laws of the land.

Sincerely,



S. Adele Doherty, DDS, MPH

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Ms. June Lawrence
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United States Senate
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Re: Dr. Henry Foster

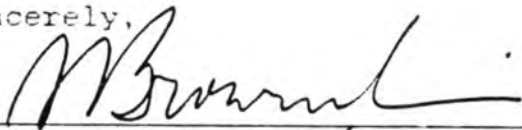
Dear Ms. Lawrence:

It is my professional honor and personal privilege to write this letter in support of Dr. Henry Foster, whom I have had the pleasure of knowing for over twenty years, for the U.S. Surgeon General position.

Dr. Foster has established himself as an exemplary leader, a stalwart and effective advocate for the shared goals of the medical community, a staunch humanitarian respecting individual rights, a personable and efficient teambuilder, and a man of impeccable character and integrity.

Again, I am honored to unequivocally support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him, as well.

Sincerely,



Bradford G. Brown, M.D., P.C.

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March 24, 1995

Ms. June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

I have known Dr. Foster since 1972 and can attest to his honesty, integrity and academic qualifications.

Sincerely,


Milton D. Quigless, Jr., M.D., F.A.C.S.

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Honorable N. Landon-Kassenbaum
c/o June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

March 30, 1995

Dear Senator Kassenbaum:

I am writing to wholeheartedly support President Clinton's nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for Surgeon General.

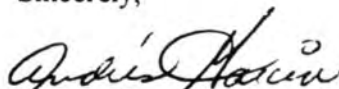
As a child of poverty, a longtime activist on behalf of the poor and minority communities in the City of Buffalo, and as the President and CEO of a poor, inner-city hospital, I can appreciate Dr. Foster's compassionate and realistic approach to the issue of abortion.

I agree with his philosophy that we must give our children more than contraception, we must give them self-esteem and life alternatives and opportunities, in order to prevent teenage pregnancies. I believe his "I Have a Future" program is wonderfully holistic and innovative.

Throughout his career, Dr. Henry Foster has been a great friend to the poor, the underprivileged, and the drug-addicted. He is an example of all that our Surgeon General should be. He has never shied away from the issues that mattered, and he has never turned his back on the populations whose health is at the greatest risk.

We should welcome the opportunity to appoint someone who has so much to give and who has given so much already.

Sincerely,


Andres Garcia
President & CEO

March 20, 1995

June Lawrence

Committee On Labor and Human Resources

United States Senate

Washington, D.C.. 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Our nation should have the benefit of Dr. Foster and his considerable gifts as a teacher and physician.

Sincerely,

Audrey Hall
Audrey Glover Hall, R.N.

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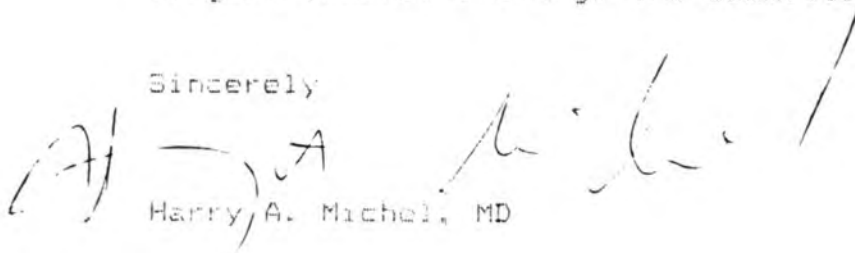
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June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
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Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I strongly support the nomination of **Dr. Henry Foster**, for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Sincerely


Harry A. Michel, MD

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Dear Senator Kassebaum:

This letter is written in support of President Clinton's nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as the nation's next Surgeon General.

I am privileged to have known Dr. Foster both personally and professionally for a number of years. Not only is he an active member of the organization, which I am President, but he was my wife's personal physician for many years.

Dr. Foster is dedicated and committed to his profession. His knowledge and insight of the needs of the community are such that the best interest of the nation will always be first. He has a lot to offer in the area of Aids awareness and research, treating widespread substance abuse, the dismal effects of smoking, cancer research, teenage pregnancy and a host of other medical issues.

Despite the obvious media and special interest intervention, his integrity is beyond reproach. It is my hope that the political posturing will not impede the nation's benefit of this scholar and dedicated physician. Truly he is a fine man and will serve the nation well!

Should it be necessary, I am available for further comment and discussion, as well as other members of our organization. In that support for his confirmation is unanimous.

Sincerely,


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Re: Dr. Henry Foster

Dear June:

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Sincerely

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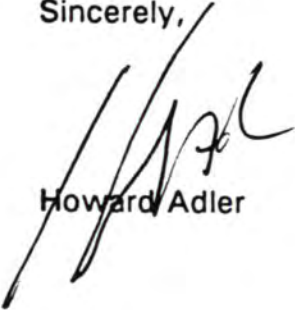
June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear June:

I know I speak for many of my friends, business associates, neighbors, and family in urging the Committee on Labor to confirm the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster to the position of U.S. Surgeon general.

I am hopeful that you will pass my views on to the appropriate members of the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

Sincerely,



Howard Adler

Rodger L. M. Taylor, M.D.

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March 24, 1995

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

RE: DR. HENRY FOSTER

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S.
Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Sincerely,

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March 29, 1995

June Lawrence
Committee on Labor
and Human Resources
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

"I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the Committee to support him."

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles O. Dillard".

Charles O. Dillard, M.D.
Brigadier General
Commander 112th Medical Brigade
Ohio National Guard



I strongly support the
Nomination of Henry Kistler MD
for United States Surgeon
General and urge the
committee to support him.

He is a great educator and
very qualified. His skills
are without question. His style
is non confrontational.

His assisting with the merger of
Marionville's Metro General Hospital
and Meharry Medical College and
Inland Hospital was with
his leadership. This is in
a very well understood
rules. He was Dean of Meharry
and was President of the
Association of Medical Schools.

Again I support him.
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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Ms. Lawrence:

I support the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster for U.S. Surgeon General and urge the committee to support him.

Sincerely,

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Professor of Medicine and Physiology & Biophysics
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March 24, 1995

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The Honorable Nancy Kassebaum
ATT: June Lawrence, Staff Assistant
Committee on Labor and human Resources
U.S. Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Kassebaum:

This letter comes to support without any reservation the nomination of Dr. Henry Foster as Surgeon General.

The information I have received regarding Dr. Foster is very positive. He has been an outstanding Physician, Teacher, Administrator, and above all he will bring to this office a voice of concern.

Thank you very much.

Yours sincerely,

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