

Friday, December 18, 1998

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SIDNEY WENIGER, PE

17 December 1998

Dear Mr. President, and dear friend,

Taking advantage of Bruce's visit, I urge you to be firm in these trying times.

You always did best standing up to partisan challenge - as with the government shutdowns.

Do not resign. The people elected you to do a job, and you ought to keep doing so unless and until their elected representatives constitutionally end your term.

I support you more than ever, and stand by you through thick and thin, as if you were my own son

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Rabbi Joseph A. Edelheit

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Minneapolis, Minnesota 55405
(612) 377-8680

Mr. President;
It would mean alot
if each of my
children could
receive a personal
note - acknowledging
the dreidel - Thank you
Esther-23 Eve-10
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THE PRESIDENT
12-18-98

♦ PERSPECTIVE BY RABBI JOSEPH EDELHEIT

Mr. President,

We are honored to be here with you so soon after you have returned from the Mid East, where you courageously engaged in the making of peace, where you brought the gift of hope to the Land of the Bible. During this week of Hannukah, on the eve of Ramadan and one week before Christmas, we are all reminded that these religious holidays promise us "light" during the darkest time of the year. As your Advisory Council, we want to help you, fulfill your vision, to bring the light of hope, to all those living with HIV/AIDS.

HIV/AIDS still darkens the path to that bridge into the 21st century , to which you have prophetically led us. We want to help you illuminate the darkness which hides the path. We must warn you that there are some Americans who are in danger of being unable to follow when you lead the nation across that bridge into the 21st century. How can we be sure that the African American homeless IV drug user who has no access to clean needles or the newest combination of drug therapies will get to the other side? What do we have to do, that will insure that the Latino youth who is not eligible for Medicaid, will have access to primary care and still be able to work, so he too can cross the bridge with other Americans?

Here is a gift from my four children, a Dreidel, the traditional spinning top we play during Hannukah; the four Hebrew letters stand for the statement, Nes Gadol Haya Sham - "A Great Miracle Happened There." Mr. President, we know there will be no one great miracle to end, HIV/AIDS, so we are here, to help revive your vision of zero rate of transmission and equitable access to care for all persons battling HIV disease. We are here with you, especially on this day, when a terrible political darkness has fallen over this land, because we want you to know, that we will do whatever it takes, to cross that bridge with you into the 21st century.

May God bless you and your family
in the days ahead

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Both/All ☐

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Promoting Health



and Disease Prevention

December 2, 1998

President William Jefferson Clinton

United States of America

The White House

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Washington, D. C. 20500

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Dear President Clinton,

I am writing this letter in my capacity as

President of the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, Inc., (BLCA), and on behalf the board and leadership of our national affiliates, to express our sincere appreciation for rendering a historic response to the request from the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) for a national state of emergency in HIV/AIDS and public health in African American communities.

National Black

For the first time in the eighteen year-old history of the AIDS pandemic, the federal budget was passed with \$110 million allocated specifically to target HIV prevention and services in minority communities. An additional \$46 million, committed by Secretary of Health and Human Services, Donna Shalala, will also be used to support the goals outlined by Congress.

We are especially grateful to Mr. Erskine Bowles, Secretary Donna Shalala, and Surgeon General David Satcher, for their outstanding leadership in the negotiation process and their work with the CBC to meet this historic goal.

As a former Mayor of the City of New York, the epicenter of the nation's epidemic, I know the impact AIDS has come to bear on minorities. Recent data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that every hour, seven Americans are newly infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. Of those seven, three are African American. This community now accounts for fifty-six percent of all new HIV infections, and maintains the lowest decline in AIDS-related deaths in the nation.

We are very proud of the work BLCA contributed to this process, particularly our president/CEO Debra Fraser-Howze who serves as a sub-committee chairperson on your Presidential Advisory Council on HIV and AIDS. We pledge to you our continued support and look forward to working with you, Representatives Louis Stokes (D-OH), Maxine Waters (D-CA), Donna Christian Green (D-VI) and Dr. Marsha Martin of the Department of Health & Human Services, as they continue their outstanding leadership towards addressing the needs of communities hardest hit by HIV and AIDS.

Keep the faith, Joyce and I wish the best for you and Hillary.

Sincerely,

David N. Dinkins

Chairman of the Board

MR. President - the mayor has Aunt his home and asked that I tell you he is and always will be with you. Debra

The Hay-Adams Hotel

12-18-98

IN RESIDENCE

Letter 1-1-99

President Clinton

Thank you for

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that all of us had a chance to
personally with you this
so I want to be sure of
how solidly I support
your leadership as our President,
my President.

coord with Sandy
Thompson

I have had the honor of meeting you
and speaking with you several
times when I served as Superintendent
of Public Instruction for Washington
State. You have been such a good
champion for educational equity and
fair treatment for all our children
regardless of their color, economic
or social status.

As a person with AIDS I am also grate-
ful for your continued support of
numerous programs and initiatives
on behalf of all of us who fight this
disease in our own lives and for
others. Please maintain your
recognition of our responsibility
in this battle both domestically and
internationally.

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Finally, let me say that I am horrified
at the damage done to elemental justice
and fairness in the proceedings against
you. You have been denied protections
of the law that would routinely be
afforded any U. S. citizen.

Please remain strong in the know-
ledge that most of us believe in
you and want you to stay in
office and continue your good
work.

May God grant you peace.

Judith Billings
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Texaco Names Deval Patrick, Black Attorney, General Counsel and V.P.

Deval L. Patrick has been elected general counsel of Texaco, it was announced yesterday by Texaco Inc. chairman and CEO Peter I. Bijur.

Bijur also announced that Patrick has been elected a vice president of Texaco, Inc., and will serve on Texaco's Executive Council, the company's senior leadership team. The appointments are effective Feb. 8.

Patrick, 42, is currently a partner with the Boston law firm Day Berry & Howard, and serves as chairman of Texaco's Equality and Fairness Task Force which was formed after a group of Black employees won a discrimination case against the company.

"Deval Patrick has achieved success and earned great esteem as a first-class attorney in both private and public practice," said Bijur in making the announcement.

"His leadership abilities, high ethical standards, breadth of experience and knowledge of Texaco will strengthen and enhance our management team and legal department. We are pleased that Deval has agreed to join the Texaco organization.

Prior to being named partner with Day, Berry & Howard in 1997, Patrick served as assistant attorney general of the United States, and chief of the U.S. Justice Department's Civil Rights Division from 1994-97 where he was responsible for enforcing federal laws prohibiting discrimination.

From 1986-94 Patrick was a partner with another law firm in Boston, supervising commercial and civil rights litigation. From 1983-86 he was a staff attorney

with the NAACP Legal Defense Fund, following service as a law clerk on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in Los Angeles.

Patrick graduated cum laude from Harvard University in 1978, and earned his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1982.

He is the member of the bar

associations in Massachusetts, the District of Columbia and California, and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Courts of Appeals, and various federal district courts.

He is married and has two children. His office will be located in Texaco's corporate office in White Plains, N.Y.

Debutante Ball Also Slated Dec. 29

Alpha Phi Alpha Chapter In LR Plans Founders Day

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Pi Lambda Chapter, will hold its annual Founder's Day program Sunday, Dec. 20 at 4 p.m. at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, 1109 S. State St. in Little Rock.

The fraternity will be celebrating its 92nd anniversary. The featured speaker will be Little Rock native Paul W. Kimbrough, former aide to former U.S. Congressman Ray Thornton, who now works for the U.S. Dept. Of Transportation in Washington, D.C.

Alpha Phi Alpha was founded on Dec. 4, 1906 at Cornell

University in Ithaca, N.Y., and is the oldest and largest African-American intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity in the world.

Alpha Phi Alpha has long stood in the forefront of the African-American community's fight for civil rights and human dignity.

From the fraternity's ranks have come such outstanding leaders as W.E.B. Dubois, Adam Clayton Powell Jr., former U.S. Senator Edward Brooke, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Thurgood Marshall, and UNCF CEO William Gray.

Notable Arkansans who belong to the fraternity include Judge George Howard, Ozell Sutton, Ebony Magazine publisher John H. Johnson, and attorney Jerry Malone, among others.

Pi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha was founded March 26, 1926, and is the oldest Alpha chapter west of the Mississippi River.

The chapter will also host its annual Debutante Ball Tuesday, Dec. 29 at 7 p.m. at the Robinson Center Exhibition Hall in Little Rock. For ticket information call 568-3882.

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WALTER H. SHORENSTEIN
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December 17, 1998

Dear Mr. President,

In observing the recent machinations of the House Judiciary Committee and the Republican Party I am reminded why I have remained a steadfast Democrat all my life. The hate and extremism displayed by your antagonists has been utterly disgraceful.

Your opponents have shown a complete disregard for the opinion of the American people in their handling of this matter. Each time you have come forward to express contrition, they have assailed you ever more viciously for not being contrite enough. The only apology that would be sufficient to silence these critics is one that would leave you diminished and ineffective as a leader.

It is clear that the House Republicans are set on pursuing a divisive and destructive course of action. I strongly believe that any further efforts on your part to sway their opinion would only diminish your standing and validate their depraved desire to see you pilloried. There is nothing more to be gained in offering further apologies. I urge you to remain steadfast, with the knowledge that your friends, your supporters and the American people are strongly behind you. Let the House do what it will. Should this matter reach the Senate, reason will prevail over partisan viciousness. But in the meantime, humbling yourself sufficiently to satisfy your persecutors will jeopardize your stature as a leader once this sound and fury has subsided.

Please know that you have my uncompromising support during these difficult times.

With best wishes,

Walter

Walter H. Shorenstein

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500-2000

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To Burkhardt for reply?
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JEREMY G. LANDAU

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Bill
Dear Mr. Clinton:

First off, let me wish you, Hillary, & Chelsea the best that the new year has to offer! May the remainder of your term be filled with strong & successful legislation and prosperity and peace for all Americans -- and all people!

I earnestly desire to share with you an observation concerning the U.S. embargo of Cuba. Many, even your own AIDS Council, have sought to exempt humanitarian aide from this ban. Recently, a coalition led by Sen. Warner, proposed to you a short-term Commission whose purposed would be to examine our options towards lessening the weight of this ban upon those who would provide humanitarian support to the people of Cuba, and the poor and the ill -- those who deserve assistance most and feel the greatest burden of embargo.

I want to tell you that I support this effort! As do many of my liberal colleagues, including many democrat, both elected and your truest supporters. I would like to offer my assistance to you to further this effort -- especially in any way which provides you information and support -- and which leads you soon towards a positive, humanistic outcome on this issue.

I would also like to recommend to you as another ally in this struggle, Mr. Jairo Pedraza, a Venezuelan-American who represents U.S. people living with AIDS on the UN-affiliated Global Network of PWAs.

As a long-term survivor of AIDS, and someone who has sought to give you the best advice I can find on your Advisory Council on AIDS, I thank you for the time to give you this personal message of policy and support!

With warmest regards --

Jeremy

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To Burkhardt for reply?

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Please, Mother, do not delay!

Goddess Tara, my pangs of hunger for reality
are becoming unbearable!

Mother! Mother! Mother!

You are the longing and the longed for!
You cannot refuse your child's earnest prayer!

The Hay-Adams Hotel

IN RESIDENCE

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1403 McKennie Ave.
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Dec. 18, 1998

Dear Mr. President,

I want to thank you again for choosing me to be on your HIV/AIDS Advisory Council. These years of service have been the best part of my life's work. It has been an honor to serve my country with the extraordinary people that make up this historic group. And thank you for choosing me to be the voice representing people with HIV/AIDS at the '96 Democratic National Convention. It has been an honor to serve you in both these capacities.

Please know that you and I are in my prayers daily. I pray that the Palm of His heart is that He will

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and have been -
all in the
of his presence.

I don't know if you remember something that you said at our first meeting in July of '95, but I was so impressed that I wrote it down word for word. I've told the story many times in the speeches I've given since.

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The day before our meeting Jesse Helms had been on the Senate floor saying awful, terrible things about people with AIDS, trying to get the Ryan white money's cut. He lost, 97-3.

The day we met one of the first things you said was, "Don't you just love Jesse Helms?" We all sat there quietly, stunned, waiting for the punchline. It only took a moment to realize that you were serious.

Then you explained, "He's the best friend of your movement, because when the darkest heart of the nation rises up through him into the light, we are so appalled at who we are, we rise to what we can become."

Today the darkest part of the nation's heart will once again rise up through the Congress. It is my prayer that Americans will become so appalled at who we are, that we will rise to what we can become.

Remember who you are and whose you are and stand tall. We who love you are holding you in the light.

Sincerely,

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funding for housing via the FY2000
sing and Urban Development. The
l today, says that lack of affordable
the cities surveyed ("A Status Report
s 1998: A 30-City Survey"). HUD
spend more than they can afford for

housing, live in sub-standard housing, or both. Without federal leadership and funds,
the problems that these statistics represent will worsen.

In particular, Mr. President, we urge you to include 200,000 incremental
vouchers; \$1.15 billion for homeless assistance; \$3 billion for public housing capital;
and \$4.15 billion for public housing operating funds in your FY 2000 budget request.

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Rob Carmona
East Harlem Employment Services, Inc.
STRIVE

Rodney J. Carroll
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Stephen Coyle
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December 16, 1998

The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of the United States
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the organizations that comprise the Campaign for Housing and Community Development Funding and its affiliates, we request that you support a FY2000 Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) budget that allows us to continue rebuilding communities and developing homes for all people, especially the poor. The FY 1999 budget took a great step forward toward meeting the housing deficits of low-income people and distressed communities. Yet, according to HUD's 1998 worst case housing needs report, *Rental Housing Assistance – The Crisis Continues*, there are at least 5.3 million households that pay more than half of their incomes for rent and/or live in severely substandard homes. Federal housing resources are essential to our efforts to reduce these housing burdens and address the community development needs of underserved people, and successfully prevent homelessness, maintain self-sufficiency and reduce poverty.

In FY2000, new budgetary rules may threaten these valuable resources, pitting serious housing needs against competing priorities. In addition, as welfare time limits fast approach, each HUD dollar becomes even more vital to the stability of very low-income families who are trying to improve their economic status without having their incomes consumed by housing costs. Expanded HUD funding in FY2000 can help build healthy communities and meet the growing needs of the residents in our communities.

Sincerely,

(the undersigned organizations)