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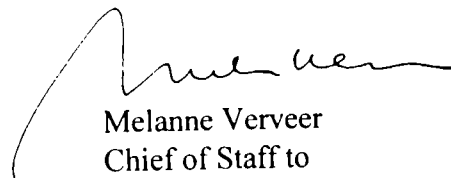
Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you very much for your letter and for your invitation to the First Lady to speak at the reception honoring Doris and Marshall Holleb.

It is too early at this time to determine whether the First Lady will be able to participate. We will notify you as soon as a decision is made.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melanne Verveer', with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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December 5, 1997

Ms. Patti Solis

Special Assistant to the President

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The White House

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue

Washington, D.C. 20006

Dear Ms. Solis:

When Jane Addams opened the doors of Hull House Association in 1889, her goal was to "aid in the solution of social problems engendered by the modern conditions of life in a great city." Today, Jane Addams Hull House Association annually welcomes over 225,000 people of diverse geographic, cultural, and economic backgrounds. With a spectrum of services ranging from child care to after-school and intergenerational programs, to counseling and job training, Hull House Association programs creatively respond to community needs.

In the tradition of Miss Addams, the first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize, Hull House Association will honor two of Chicago's most distinguished civic leaders this spring at a proposed gala. On this occasion, we will honor Doris and Marshall Holleb (resumes enclosed) for their special contributions to the community and longtime Hull House Association support. We very much want the First Lady, Hillary Rodham Clinton, as guest speaker at this event. As she considers this request, it is with great pleasure that we also share with the First Lady recent Hull House Association accomplishments:

- ◆ The first of its kind in the state of Illinois, Hull House Association's Neighbor To Neighbor program keeps sibling groups together in community-based foster homes and works with birth parents to maintain family ties; Hull House professionalizes its foster care givers so that they can provide full time, focused care that at-risk foster care children need.
- ◆ Hull House Association's Uptown Center serves the city's ethnic populations with entrepreneurial training; our Economic Development Unit provides hands on business, marketing, and financial workshops along with technical assistance and

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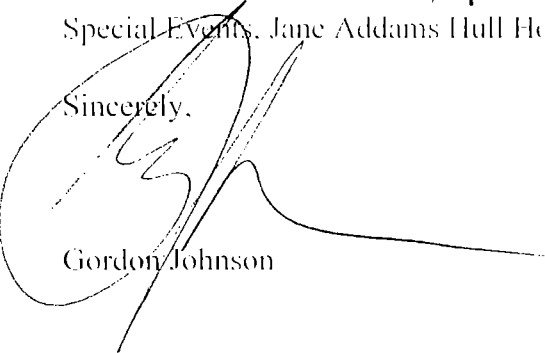


individual mentoring to mostly low income, or financially struggling client populations.

- ◆ Through special funding by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Hull House Association provides technical expertise and project coordination to the National African American Male Collaboration - a grass roots organization of 32 agencies that form a network of support, resources, talents and research to achieve a common purpose: improving the quality of life for the 17,000 African American children served last year.

A fervent advocate of social issues, Mrs. Clinton has increased awareness of many worthwhile causes for the betterment of society. Jane Addams Hull House Association admires her dedication which parallels the purpose and commitment of our organization: neighbors helping neighbors. It is our sincere hope that Mrs. Clinton's schedule will allow her to consider joining us as we honor our friends the Hollebs. **The proposed dates for the event are March 24, April 4 or 7, 1998.** Please reply to Julie Lane, Director of Special Events, Jane Addams Hull House Association at 312.906.8600 x 227.

Sincerely,



Gordon Johnson

cc: M. Verveer, Chief of Staff to the First Lady
Senator Richard J. Durbin
Senator Carol Moseley-Braun
Congressman Sidney Yates

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108 Years of Neighbors Helping Neighbors

HISTORY: In 1889, Jane Addams founded Hull House in the middle of an immigrant neighborhood to "aid in the solution of social problems engendered by the modern conditions of life in a great city." In addition to being the first settlement house in Chicago, Hull House also established the city's first public playground; first four labor unions; first program to train welfare recipients as day care providers; and first infant care facility in a Chicago high school.

FOUNDER: Social reform leader Jane Addams was the first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize.

PURPOSE: Jane Addams Hull House Association is a non-profit, multi-service social agency dedicated to helping people build better lives for themselves and their families. Hull House Association takes a community-focused approach to solving social problems by fostering the spirit of "neighbors helping neighbors."

LOCATION: Jane Addams Hull House Association has six community centers and 35 satellite locations throughout metropolitan Chicago.

STAFF: 700 full-time employees

PRESIDENT/CEO: Gordon Johnson has more than 40 years of professional experience with children, families and urban problems.

SERVICES: Hull House Association provides 100 programs of self-reliance.
For children: child care, foster care, Head Start, literacy, after-school programs.
For youth: drug abuse prevention, youth development, recreation, social responsibility, sexuality education, cultural opportunities, New Directions (an independent living program for at-risk youth).
For adults: parenting classes, job training and placement, counseling, adult education, arts programs, domestic violence advocacy, housing assistance.
For seniors: Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, home-delivered meals, companionship, home care, recreation and intergenerational activities.
For change: Jane Addams Institute, a "living laboratory" to research issues and develop effective programs to find solutions.

POPULATION SERVED: Each year, Hull House Association serves 225,000 people from geographically, culturally and economically diverse backgrounds.

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FACT SHEET

- ▶ Founded in 1889, **Jane Addams Hull House Association** is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing programs that encourage people to become self-reliant.
- ▶ **Hull House Association** serves more than 225,000 people each year through six community-based centers throughout the Chicago area.
- ▶ Evolving from the needs within the communities served, **Hull House Association** offers more than 100 programs of self-reliance including: literacy; day care; foster care; job training and placement; adult basic skills; family counseling; battered women and children counseling; senior recreation and companionship; and independent living programs for at-risk young adults. All programs are designed with the philosophy of "neighbors helping neighbors." **Hull House Association** leads the way in tackling the tough social issues of the 1990s with creative and community-based programs that produce results.
- ▶ **Hull House Association** builds on the efforts initiated by Jane Addams, the first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize. Her goal was to help the immigrants "lead responsible, self-sufficient lives for themselves and their families."

HULL HOUSE "FIRSTS"

- ▶ First social settlement in Chicago
- ▶ First public swimming pool, kitchen and playground in Chicago
- ▶ First free art exhibits and painting loan program in Chicago
- ▶ Investigations that led to the creation and enactment of the first factory laws in Illinois
- ▶ First Chicago program to train welfare recipients as day-care home providers
- ▶ Creation of the first four labor unions: Women Skirt Makers, Women Cloak Makers, Dorcas Federal Labor Union, Chicago Woman's Trade Union League
- ▶ First private venture capital fund in the U.S. targeted toward neighborhood business development
- ▶ First investigations resulting in laws relating to truancy, sanitation, child labor, public school curriculum
- ▶ First domestic violence court in Chicago in conjunction with the Chicago Metropolitan Battered Women's Network
- ▶ First on-site emergency medical care team in a Chicago public housing development
- ▶ First infant care facility in a Chicago high school

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Walking the path blazed by Jane Addams

Gordon Johnson
keeps Hull House
on track

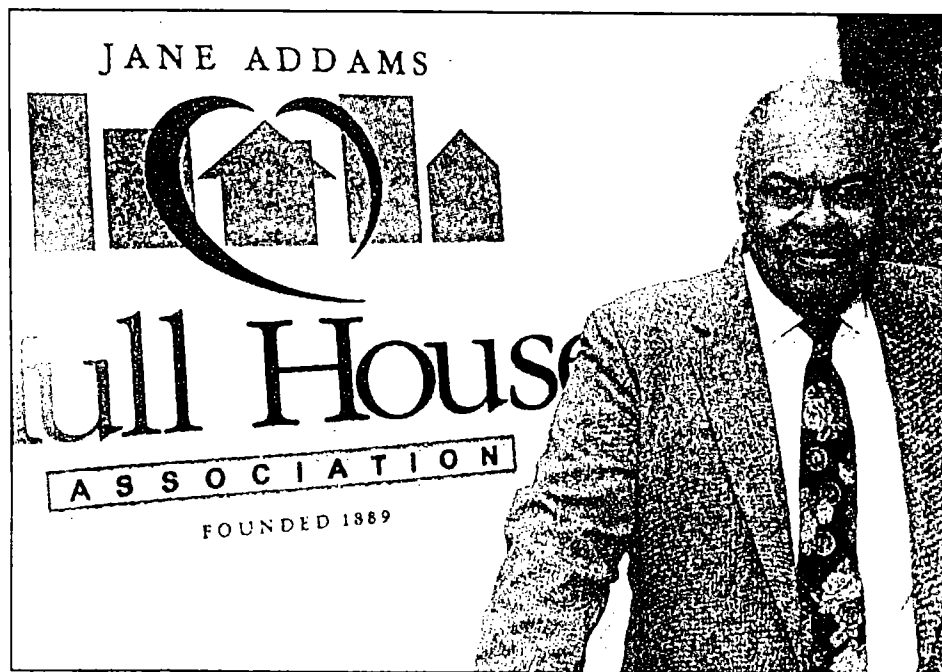
By Edie Kasten
SPECIAL TO THE TRIBUNE

When Gordon Johnson was just a child, his mother and father taught him some simple rules by which to live. Speak your mind, speak your heart and lend your hand when someone needs it.

Today that advice helps him do what he does best. And what Johnson does best is make magic.

Johnson, who lives in Des Plaines with his wife, Delores, is president and CEO of Jane Addams Hull House Association, a non-profit organization that serves more than 225,000 people in the Chicago area each year, providing programs that encourage self-reliance and self-esteem.

In his seven years at Hull House, the agency's budget has grown to \$35 million from \$9 million and its staff has doubled to more than 700 employees. He has instituted new programs aimed at helping foster children find loving homes and preparing young wards of the state for adult life on their own. It's all part of Johnson's personal goal of helping people learn to help themselves.



Jane Addams' idea was "people helping people. We've never left it," Gordon Johnson says of Hull House's goals.

Photo by Kevin Tanaka

"Jane's idea was people helping people. We've never left it," Johnson says.

Rev. John Smyth, executive director of Maryville Academy in Des Plaines, a residential program for youths, has worked with Johnson on several community projects during the last two decades.

"Gordon is a kind man with a great compassion for children and who knows how to get things done," Smyth says.

John Engman, chief operating officer of Hull House, works closely with Johnson. They trade ideas three or four times a day. "He's a great guy," Engman says. "Gordon is someone who truly has a mission in life and he's living it. He focuses directly on children and how society treats them. And he works hard to make it better."

Johnson's personal brand of magic is a combination of hard work and compassion—the same principles that guided Addams

when she founded Hull House on the West Side of Chicago in 1889.

Over the years, Hull House has made unprecedented moves. Chicago's first settlement house, it established the city's first public playground, first labor unions and first programs to train welfare recipients.

Addams succeeded by identifying community needs and developing programs based on them. She

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did it with private funding, an accomplishment Johnson greatly respects.

"The government can't really take care of people effectively," Johnson says. "There are too many restrictions. It tends to have a bureaucracy that's not flexible to change, not hospitable. It's the private sector that's going to do the best job."

Accordingly, Johnson believes the more local your base of operation, the better. "Community-based agencies are the way to go," he says. "We can do things better and quicker and we're using community people who have an interest in making their community better."

Determination and caring are integral parts of Johnson's personal value system. And it all began at home.

An only child, he was born 64 years ago in Long Branch, N.J. His father was a truck driver with a 3rd-grade education; his mother a nurse's aide who never went to high school.

They were an African-American family in a mostly Italian neighborhood, but that wasn't the only thing.

"It's interesting," he says. "My father was a strict Republican. Most African-Americans were Democrats. We were a poor family, but my father would not have anything to do with the welfare system. When other family members had problems he opened our door to them, and whatever we had, they had. I saw a need to try to help others and I got caught up in it."

And along the way, people helped young Gordon. In addition to his own family, he says a number of other families and friends of different races guided him along the way. "Because of that, I find it easy to work with different people, different groups," he says. "I'm not intimidated."

Johnson says he was particularly influenced by a 7th-grade teacher named Dunham Reinig. "He happened to be a minister, a white man. He and his wife, Wehnona, took a real liking to me. He showed me how to run the projector for church movies," Johnson says. "I was a musician—played the drums—and Wehnona and I used to enter talent contests. I ended up on the 'Ted Mack Amateur Hour' and came in second. They had a great impact on my life and saw potential in me that other people didn't."

In high school, Johnson hadn't really thought much about college, then figured if he went at all, it would be to play football.

"But with the Reinigs' counsel, I decided I needed to get an education and if I played football, fine," he says.

It was 1950, a time when African-American professionals were few and far between and when race determined which colleges and universities one could attend.

"There were very few things open, but I felt it would be hard for a society to not accept my credentials if I came from top schools," he says.

So it was on to Theil College in Greenville, Pa., for a bachelor's degree in sociology-psychology (and later an honorary doctorate). He also earned a master's degree in education from Penn State.

Johnson's résumé is five pages long—more than four decades of social service experience. He has done everything from casework at Rutgers University to serving as acting deputy commissioner for division services of the New York State Department of Social Services and director of Pennsylvania's Bureau of Child Welfare.

Then he went on to what would be one the great challenges of his career: the State of Illinois' Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS). It's the third largest human-service agency in the state, affecting the lives of more than 650,000 children.

And DCFS is an agency that has taken its share of hits during the last several years.

Johnson served first as deputy director in 1979, then was promoted to director four years later. He says he walked into an agency that was in fairly stable shape but had difficulties with budget and staff morale, as well as a tremendous increase in child abuse and neglect cases.

And then there were the image problems. "We were the agency of last resort," he says. "A child had to be abused or neglected before we got involved. And that's a back-end way of dealing with things. We had to get the legislature and the communities to understand that was our role. We didn't have the dollars or the expertise at that time to do preventive kinds of things."

That didn't stop Johnson. During his tenure at DCFS, he worked on developing award-winning programs for kids, including the One Church, One Child project that got churches directly involved in finding homes for kids who needed them.

But as the years went on, something continued to gnaw at Johnson's heart.

"What pained me the most was that I basically was the authority who could take a child out of a bad home, but I couldn't guarantee those children could be placed in a safe environment," he says.

He says he was concerned DCFS wasn't using the foster parenting program to its fullest potential and he worried about what would happen to wards of the state once they were too old for DCFS help.

So, in 1990, 11 years after beginning at DCFS, Johnson decided to make a move to the private, non-profit side and Hull House, becoming the agency's first African-American president and CEO.

"It was time to put my money where my mouth was," he says, "to try my ideas and see if they'd work."

But there was one condition: total independence. "I wanted to do what I had to do and if they didn't like it, they could fire me," he says with a smile.

One thing he wanted to do was to turn into action the pain he felt over troubled kids. And one way he did that was to create the Neighbor To Neighbor program.

The first of its kind in Illinois, Neighbor To Neighbor is a specialized foster-care program that makes foster caregivers actual employees of Hull House, entitled to health benefits, vacations and pensions. There is 24-hour-a-day support for them from therapists and case workers. Caregivers are required to go through drug testing, and they must take brothers and sisters together.

"The retention rate of the foster parents is 85 percent, beyond the national average," Johnson says with pride.

Just ask Twan Hill about pride. He says Gordon Johnson taught him the meaning of the word.

Hill grew up on Chicago's West Side, a gangbanger whose mother had thrown him out of the house twice, the second time for good. He was sent to DCFS and became a ward of the state, as well as a perfect candidate for another of Johnson's dreams, the New Directions program.

"These kids would move through the system and when they became 18 or 21, they'd leave, but many weren't prepared to deal with society," Johnson says. "Through New Directions, we can teach them to be independent."

The program began in 1990 with 25 young people. It now helps 260. They live in apartments leased to them by Hull House and must attend high school or college. They must keep their apartments clean, put money in the bank and learn how to put together a résumé and go on job interviews.

Hill, now a successful student at Harper College in Palatine, says Johnson's decision to accept him into the program changed his life.

"He gave me a chance that other people wouldn't have," Hill says. "Whenever I succeed at something, I think about him."

And what does Johnson think about his work? That there's still so much more to be done.

"The major thing I want to accomplish is for Hull House to have an adequate endowment, at least \$20 million," Johnson says. "And I want Hull House to become a platform for more public-service issues, not just locally but nationally."

Jane Addams would be proud.



GORDON JOHNSON
PRESIDENT

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**Jane Addams Hull House Association
PRESIDENT/CEO**

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Gordon Johnson was appointed president and chief executive officer of **Jane Addams Hull House Association** in July 1990. Since that time, Johnson has utilized his more than 40 years of experience in private and state social service organizations to keep Hull House Association from the brink of closing down and helping its budget quadruple. He now oversees a \$40 million budget and 800 employees, who carry out more than 100 programs of self-reliance for individuals and families throughout Chicago. He recently opened an office in Daytona Beach, Florida, to offer a new approach to foster care.

Today more than 225,000 people each year are served by Hull House Association through innovative programs addressing areas such as child care, foster care, family self sufficiency, teen pregnancy, counseling, domestic violence, job training, arts, literacy, homebound senior citizens and special training for 515,000 Illinois welfare recipients.

Prior to his work with Hull House Association, Johnson was director of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), the state's third largest human service agency that affects the lives of 650,000 children. He was appointed to this Cabinet position by Gov. James Thompson. Under Johnson's leadership, DCFS received two "Innovations in Government" national awards from the Ford Foundation/Harvard University.

Before coming to Illinois, Johnson spent 20 years in other various children and family service positions, including acting deputy commissioner for Division Services of the New York State Department of Social Services and director of Pennsylvania's Bureau of Child Welfare. He also served as associate director for the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Miami and headed Dade County, Florida's first Model City Program. His work and interest in helping youth began with his observations of the plight of children in his community and with his first jobs as a cottage officer for a New Jersey reformatory and then as resident director at a short-term adolescent resident training center in New York. He later directed a job corp training program for 1,200 disadvantaged youth in Michigan.

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Johnson received his bachelor's degree in sociology-psychology from Theil College in Greenville, Pennsylvania, where he was also awarded an honorary doctorate. He attended the School of Social Work at Rutgers University before receiving his master's degree in rehabilitation from Pennsylvania State University. Johnson also studied for a year at Penn State for his doctorate in community system planning development.

He is a member of numerous non-profit boards and was appointed by Gov. Jim Edgar to serve as a commissioner of the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission. He has received many local, state and national awards. Johnson is married, has two grown children and resides in Des Plaines, Ill.



EVENTS
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SEPTEMBER 18, 1889

Hull House becomes a home for social reform

Two idealistic young women begin the Near West Side settlement house and set out to improve the lot of Chicago's immigrant poor.

Outside the dilapidated, mansion at Halsted and Polk Streets, the neighborhood was choked with immigrants working in sweatshops and sleeping in cramped apartments, a place where smallpox ran rampant and children amused themselves by fishing for rats beneath the wooden sidewalks.

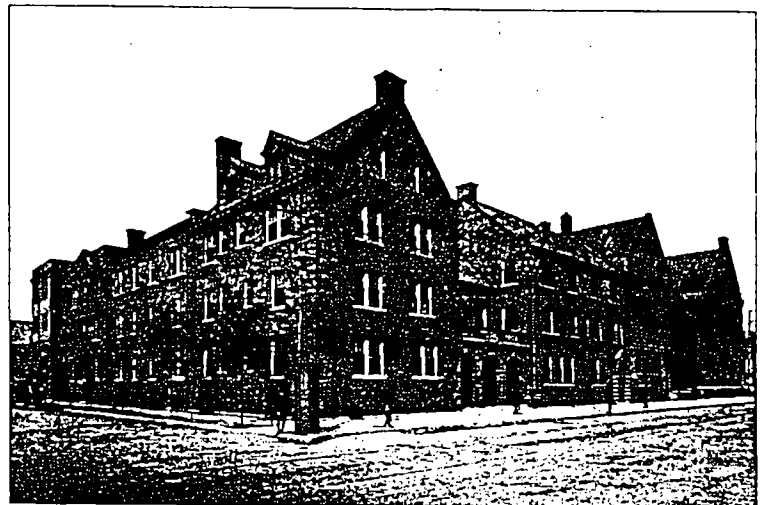
Inside, 29-year-old Jane Addams and her college friend Ellen Gates Starr set up their household with some "family mahogany" and the vague idea of helping the people around them. The home was called Hull House, after its first resident, Charles Hull, a Chicago real estate baron who had it built in 1856 for his family.

Under its new tenants, Hull House became the heart of one of the country's most influential social-reform movements. For years, Addams had sought a greater purpose for her life. She found it in an East London slum. There, in the world's first settlement house, Toynbee Hall, educated Englishmen lived and worked among the poor. The visit inspired Addams to set up a similar settlement in Chicago.

A few days after the two women moved in, Hull House started a neighborhood reading group to discuss a George Eliot novel. The following month, the city's first kindergarten opened in the mansion's drawing room.

Over the next two decades, Hull House received worldwide attention for its mix of cultural and educational programs and social-reform efforts.

The group of women who lived at the house and its other volunteers built Chicago's first playground and helped create the country's first Juvenile Court. They fought for landmark child-labor and factory laws. They ran libraries and art exhibits, taught music and painting, opened a theater and bathhouses, and organized unions and social clubs.



Chicago Historical Society

The Hull House complex once covered a city block on Chicago's Near West Side. Only the original Hull mansion remains, as a museum.



Ellen Gates Starr (left) and Jane Addams were college friends and the co-founders of Hull House. Addams won a Nobel Peace Prize for her accomplishments.

University of Illinois at Chicago; The University Library; Jane Addams Memorial Collection (left). Tribune file photo (right)



"If it is natural to feed the hungry and care for the sick, it is certainly natural to give pleasure to the young, comfort to the aged and to minister to the deep-seated craving for social intercourse that all men feel," Addams wrote in her autobiography, "Twenty Years at Hull-House."

The settlement did not win universal praise. Some accused the leaders of radical leanings. Others dismissed Hull House as paternalistic. Still, with the help of private donors, it prospered. By 1907, Hull House consisted of 13 buildings covering a city block.

In 1931, Addams became the first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize. She died four years later and is buried in her hometown of Cedarville, Ill. Starr, who had entered a convent in 1930 in failing health, died in 1940.

Addams' and Starr's work continues: the Jane Addams Hull House Association helps an estimated 225,000 people each year.

Louise Kiernan
Tribune staff

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Biographical Sketch of Jane Addams

Born in Cedarville, Ill., on Sept. 6, 1860, Jane Addams founded the world famous social settlement in Chicago called Hull House. From Hull House, where she lived and worked from its start in 1889 to her death in 1935, Jane Addams built her reputation as the country's most prominent woman through her writings, settlement work and international efforts for world peace.

Addams graduated from Rockford College in 1881, and returned the following year to receive one of the school's first bachelor's degrees. With limited career opportunities for women, Addams enrolled in the Women's Medical College in Philadelphia but soon decided against becoming a doctor. She began searching for ways to help others and solve the growing social problems evident in all parts of the country.

From 1883 to 1885, she traveled to Europe with her stepmother, family and friends. In 1887 to 1888, she once again went to Europe with her friend Ellen Gates Starr, whom she met at Rockford College. In June 1888, they visited Toynbee Hall in London, which pioneered the settlement house movement. At Toynbee Hall, the two women observed college-educated Englishmen "settling" in a desperately poor East London slum where they helped the people. As is written in the book *100 Years At Hull House*: "For Jane Addams, the visit to Toynbee Hall came as a culmination and climax to years of searching. Suddenly her vague scheme became concrete: she vowed to move into a poor section of Chicago on her return to America."

So Addams and Starr set out to start a settlement house. They opened the doors of Hull House on Sept. 18, 1889, naming the old mansion after its builder and previous owner Charles Hull. It was the city's first settlement house and soon become among the most famous in America with educators, researchers and journalists from coast to coast visiting and observing its success. Several articles described Hull House as the "Toynbee Hall experiment."

Around Hull House, located at the corner of Polk and Halsted streets, immigrants crowded into the run-down residential and industrial neighborhood. Addams and the other residents of the settlement provided services for the neighborhood, such as the city's first kindergarten and day care facilities for children of working mothers. They also launched an employment bureau, art gallery, libraries, music and art classes, first little theater in America, the country's first juvenile court, and social clubs for men, women and children. Through Addams' efforts, the Illinois legislature passed strong child labor laws and protection for women.

Addams wrote 11 books and numerous articles while speaking around the world. She also helped establish the National Federation of Settlement and Neighborhood Centers in 1911. She was a leader in the Consumers' League and served as the first woman president of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections (later the National Conference of Social Work). She also supported the founding of the American Civil Liberties Union in 1920. In 1931, Addams received the Nobel Peace Prize, becoming the first American woman to ever be honored with the award. She died in Chicago on May 21, 1935, and is buried in her childhood home of Cedarville.

Although the original Hull House is now a museum, her mission lives on today through Jane Addams Hull House Association, which serves 225,000 children, families and individuals each year. Through six community centers and 35 other locations throughout Chicago, Hull House Association operates more than 100 programs of self-reliance, including foster care, child care, job training, arts education, counseling, home-delivered meals, literacy and other innovative efforts. Many programs are being modeled by other communities nationwide as Hull House Association continues sharing its success and Jane Addams' goal of "neighbors helping neighbors."

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Fostering a Sense of Family

One of the most overlooked problems in the nation's child welfare system is often the most traumatic for children:

the separation of brothers and sisters into different foster homes. As the number of children in state custody continues to rise, state agencies are scrambling to find foster homes for them. This results in brothers and sisters, especially from larger families, being placed in different foster homes.

"When we split foster children up from their brothers and sisters, we are taking away the only connection they have left to people they love," says Hull House Association President and CEO Gordon Johnson. Siblings separated not only from their parents, but from each other as well, tend to have more emotional and behavioral problems, resulting in increased shuffling from one foster home to another and less chance of being reunited with birth parents.

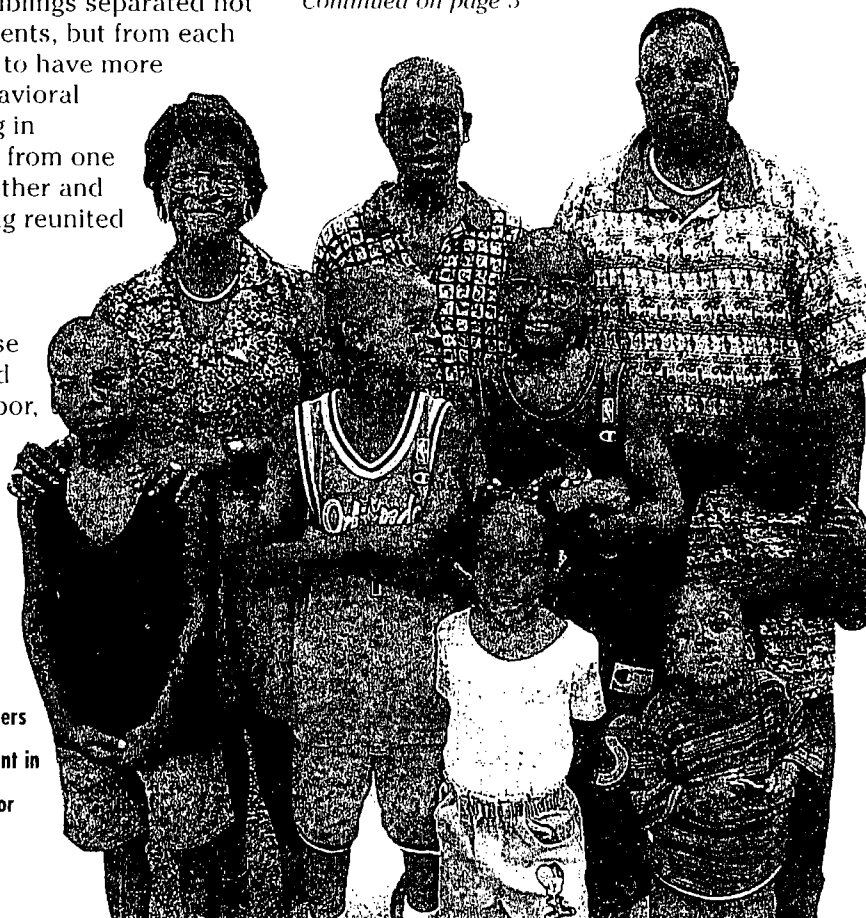
To address this problem, Hull House Association created Neighbor to Neighbor, the first and only specialized foster care program in the country that

places brothers and sisters in the same foster home. "Siblings usually aren't placed together now because foster homes that are licensed to care for multiple children tend to be filled up piecemeal with foster children from several birth homes," says Vanessa Lankford, acting director, child and family services. "Hull House Association recruits foster parents specifically to care for large sibling groups and only allows children from one birth home to be placed in one foster home."

Since its inception three years ago, Neighbor to Neighbor has served up to 100 children at a time in more than 25 foster homes. The family reunification rate is 15 percent – nearly triple the national average.

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The Lott family recently welcomed four new members because of their involvement in the Neighbor to Neighbor foster care program.



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Attorney, senior partner, Holleb and Coff, a full-service law firm.

Chairman, Urban Associates of Chicago, urban planning and real estate development. Trustee, Acorn Funds, mutual investment funds (1971-95). President, The Chicago Theater Preservation Group, to renovate and reactivate the Chicago landmark movie palace.

Member, Industry Sector Advisory Committee on Services for Trade Policy Matters, U.S. Department of Commerce, (1995-). Member, Illinois Council on Aging (1961-81); Chairman (1973-81). Delegate, 1971 and 1981 White House Conferences on Aging. Member, National Advisory Board on International Education Programs, U.S. Department of Education, 1981. U.S. State Department Consultant in Algeria and Tunisia, Foreign Service Inspection Corps, 1966.

Current: Honorary Life Trustee, Hull House Association, President 1980-82; Life Trustee and General Legal Counsel, Museum of Contemporary Art; Trustee and General Legal Counsel, The Arts Club of Chicago. Member, University of Chicago Oriental Institute Visiting Committee; Chicago Academy of Sciences Civic Leadership Committee. Board of Directors, The Pacific Basin Institute, Harvard Law Society of Illinois, The Chicago Chamber Musicians, and Mostly Music. Advisory Board, Friends of the Chicago Cultural Center.

Past services include: Trustee, Chicago Maritime Society, National Citizens Committee for Broadcasting, the National Building Museum, Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis and Francis W. Parker School; Board of Governors, Landmarks Preservation Council; member, University of Chicago Visual Arts Visiting Committee; Illinois International Trade and Port Promotion Advisory Committee; Council for Community Services in Metropolitan Chicago, Co-Chairman, Committee for Survey of Social Welfare and Health Services.

Recipient: Hull House Association "Humanitarian of the Year - 1979; "American Heritage Award", Anti-Defamation league of B'nai B'rith, 1981; Mostly Music "Arts Award", 1986; American Jewish Committee "Heritage of Freedom Award", 1986; Mostly Music "First Founders Award", 1993. Special awards from City of Chicago, Bright New City, City Club of Chicago, Chicago Area Theater Organists, Chicago Theater Society.

Graduate, University of Wisconsin (B.A.); Harvard Graduate School of Business (M.B.A. and I.A.); and Harvard Law School (J.D.).

During World War II he served as a First Lieutenant in General MacArthur's Headquarters in the Philippines and Japan.

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Doris B. Holleb is an economist and urban planning consultant, a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. A faculty member of the University of Chicago since 1966, she is, currently, Professorial Lecturer in Geographical Studies and the Social Sciences Collegiate Division and was, formerly, Director of the Metropolitan Institute and Senior Research Associate at the Center for Urban Studies.

Author of books and articles, her publications focus primarily on housing, economic development, education, developing nations, poverty and metropolitan planning questions. She is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Hunter College and of Harvard University.

Over the years, she has served on many public commissions, at all governmental levels. These include three Presidential appointments (with Senate confirmation) as a member of the National Council on the Humanities (1996-2002), as a Director of the Inter-American Foundation (1980-5), and as a member of the President's Advisory Committee of the White House Conference on Balanced National Growth and Economic Development (1978). Other federal appointments have included board membership on the U.S. Department of Education Advisory Council on Vocational Education (1979-82) and the U.S. State Department Advisory Committee on International Investment, Technology and Development (1979-81).

In Chicago and Illinois, she is a Commissioner of the City of Chicago Plan Commission (1986-). She has also been a Commissioner and Secretary of the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (1973-77), member of the Chicago Metropolitan Area Transportation Council (1980-84), member of the Illinois Committee to Strengthen Community Economies and Chairman of its subcommittee on the Organization of Local Government (1978-80).

As a planning consultant, she has worked for numerous federal and state agencies, including the Chicago Department of Planning (1982); the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (1984); the Illinois-Indiana Bi-State Commission (1978-1980); and the City Colleges of Chicago (1973).

At present, she is Vice President of the Editorial Board of Illinois Issues, a board member of the Pacific Basin Institute (Santa Barbara), and the Visiting Committee of the University of Chicago's Oriental Institute. In the past, she was a member of such boards as the International Center for Research on Women (Washington, DC), Adlai E. Stevenson Institute for International Affairs, Center for Study of Democratic Institutions (Santa Barbara), and Chairman of the Educational Council of the Francis W. Parker School.

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In the
HEART
of the Community,
At the
HEART
of the Needs.

HISTORY: On Sept. 18, 1889, Jane Addams founded Hull House in an immigrant Chicago neighborhood. She rented an old mansion, naming the building after its former owner and real estate baron Charles Hull. It was the city's first settlement house and soon became among the most famous in America.

FOUNDER: Social reform leader Jane Addams (1860-1935) was the first American woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize. She was regarded as the "mother of social work."

LOCATIONS: Hull House Association has six community centers and 35 Chicago-area locations.

STAFF: 800 full-time, professional employees

PRESIDENT/CEO: Gordon Johnson

SERVICES: Hull House Association provides 100 programs of self-reliance for 225,000 people annually

For children: child care, foster care, Head Start, literacy, after-school programs

For youth: drug abuse prevention, youth development, recreation, social responsibility, independent living

For adults: parenting classes, job training and placement, economic development, counseling, adult education, domestic violence advocacy, housing assistance

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 22, 1997

Ms. Kathy Elena Jurado
Assistant Secretary for Public
and Intergovernmental Affairs
Department of Veteran Affairs
Washington, DC 20420

Dear Kathy:

Thank you very much for your letter and
congratulations. We wish you all the best as you prepare to
face new adventures and we know that your leadership and
service will be missed.

Best wishes and happy new year.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON DC 20420

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Congrats r
best
wishes

December 3, 1997

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20502

Dear President Clinton:

Six years ago you won the straw ballot in Florida, and it was clear that you hit a chord with the American people. You laid out your vision for the country, and its citizens responded with hopeful enthusiasm. I will always be grateful for the opportunity to have worked with you and Mrs. Clinton as you both traveled across the nation to talk about an America that values its people and invests in their future.

It has been an honor and a pleasure to serve you these last four years as Assistant Secretary for Public and Intergovernmental Affairs at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). I have been a proud member of your Administration as you balanced the Federal budget while making a college education available to every student. You have accomplished much more than even your staunchest supporters envisioned, you renewed the public confidence in our Federal institutions. Therefore, it is with some sadness that I inform you of my resignation as VA Assistant Secretary.

My time at VA has been well spent. Under the leadership of Jesse Brown and Hershel Gober, VA has undergone many changes and its employees and stakeholders forged a partnership to improve services for veterans. I have been responsible for communicating those improvements to our customers, and I believe VA's image has benefited from the efforts of our public and intergovernmental affairs team.

In addition to my responsibilities at VA, I have greatly enjoyed representing the Administration in my capacity as a woman and a Hispanic appointee. My interaction with women's groups and Hispanic organizations around the country added immeasurably to my experience. It has been very gratifying to advocate this Administration's programs and policies that assist these communities.

While my decision to leave your Administration was not an easy one, I am very excited about joining the private sector. On January 1, I will begin my new career as a partner at the government and public affairs firm of Alcalde & Fay in Arlington, Virginia. As a faithful supporter of your Administration, I will always be available to assist you in any way. Thank you again for giving me the opportunity to serve in your Administration. I will always be proud of my service and of your Presidency.

Sincerely yours,

Kathy Elena Jurado

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 24, 1997

Mr. Rick Jasculca
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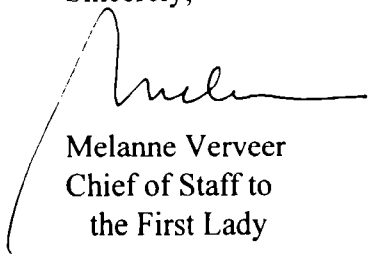
Dear Rick:

Thank you very much for the videotapes of the local and national media coverage of Mrs. Clinton's birthday. It was very thoughtful of you and an important part of the historic record.

Thanks for this and for all you do and will do. Best wishes.

It was a fantastic celebration.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



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From the desk of:

Rick Jasculca

November 10, 1997

TV note
to Rick

Melanne,

Public
Affairs

**Thought you might like some of the local
print coverage of the First Lady's birthday.**

Public
Relations

**Also, I've enclosed the tape from the Oprah
show and some of the national T.V. coverage.**

Issues
Management

Regards,

Rick

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From the desk of:

Rick Jasculca

Melanne,

Public
Affairs

Thought you might like your very own copy of
the NBC-TV Coverage of Princess Diana's
funeral. This was made possible through a
joint collaboration between Jasculca/Terman
and Marsha Berry, Inc.

Public
Relations

Regards,

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 2, 1997

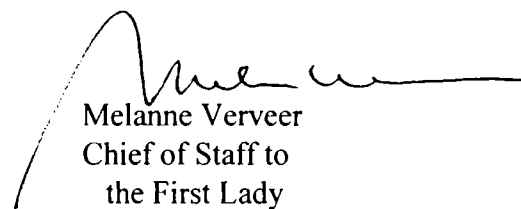
Sr. Miriam Jansen, SSND
Director of International Programs
College of Notre Dame of Maryland
4701 N. Charles Street
Baltimore, MD 21210-2476

Dear Sister Miriam:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you very much for your letter and for sharing your reflections on the briefing. We appreciate having them and we are so glad that you enjoyed the presentation.

Thanks for writing and best wishes in your work.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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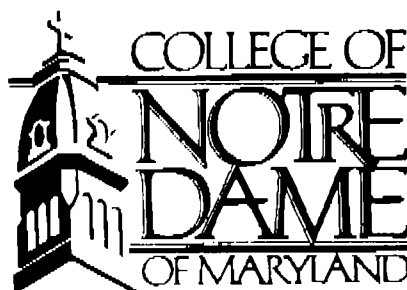
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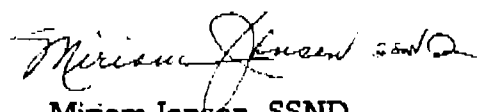
Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

I appreciated the invitation to attend your presentation on your trip to Africa. It was very informative and put a human face on statistics that seem so cold and overwhelming. I have had the pleasure of visiting several countries on the West Coast of Africa and could readily relate to the human side of your story.

I'm currently teaching a course entitled "Comparative Education" to graduate students here at Notre Dame. The students delve into a study of how education happens around the world. A primary focus of discussion is the education of women. Looking at such topics as access, equity, cultural expectations, availability of resources, family networks, etc. students come to see that women do hold up have the sky! While this is only a part of the course it serves as a centerpiece of analysis. Hearing your presentation prompted me to say you could have been a guest speaker in my class! Again, thank you for your strong voice of support for women around the world.

Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Miriam Jansen SSND".

Miriam Jansen, SSND

Director of International Programs

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 24, 1997

Ms. Shara Jurentkuff
Corporate Relations Department
Choice Hotels International
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Silver Spring, MD 20901-4447

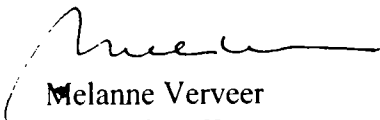
Dear Ms. Jurentkuff:

Thank you very much for your thoughtful letter and invitation to the First Lady to participate in a story reading sponsored by Choice Hotels International as part of the "Read Me a Story" campaign.

I have forwarded your letter to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady, and she will advise you as to whether it will be possible.

Best wishes in your important work.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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CHOICE HOTELS
INTERNATIONAL

November 5, 1997

Shara Jurentkuff
Choice Hotels International
10750 Columbia Pike
Silver Spring, MD 20901

Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President &
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
Old Executive Office Building
Room 100
Washington, DC 20502

Dear Ms. Verveer,

I recently read an article on Hillary Clinton in *Time* magazine, and was happy to learn more about her growing role in the child care policy issue. I think Mrs. Clinton, a strong mother and family figure herself, is both a sound and necessary advocate on this issue, which is one of the most important and growing topics both the parents and children of this country will face now and in the future.

Along similar lines, I believe another issue involving children and parents in this country is the idea of sharing time as a family, especially through activities such as reading together. As I'm sure you already are aware, there is a growing focus on the benefits both parents and children receive through spending a few minutes together each night reading aloud.

I would like to let you and Mrs. Clinton know about a special program we are quite excited about. My company is participating as a sponsor in the "Read Me a Story" campaign, a program that benefits Reading is Fundamental, the nation's oldest and largest children's literacy organization.

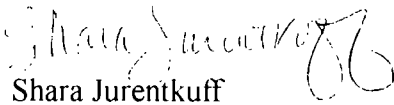
The program features a tour, which is visiting schools, malls and other sites in 24 major cities through December 31. The tour features several favorite storybook characters who spotlight the fun of reading aloud, as well as planned story readings at various venues.

We would like to sponsor a story reading either this month or in December, and would be honored if Mrs. Clinton would attend as a special guest reader. We estimate about 15 to 20 children would be present at the event, and know they would be thrilled if Mrs. Clinton could spend an hour or so reading with them. We of course would be glad to set the date and time based on Mrs. Clinton's availability. The event would take place at a Washington-Baltimore area location.

We are very happy to be a part of this program, which is all about getting children excited about reading and teaching parents the importance spending time reading with their children. I think Mrs. Clinton's participation in this event would serve as a wonderful opportunity to raise awareness on this important issue, which can positively affect families across the country.

I am enclosing a copy of the press release explaining our partnership in this program for your information. If you could contact me and let me know if Mrs. Clinton would be willing and available to participate in this event, I would truly appreciate it. I can be reached at (301) 979-5014. I thank you for your time and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Shara Jurentkuff", written in dark ink.

Shara Jurentkuff
Corporate Relations Department
Choice Hotels International



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NEWS

CHOICE HOTELS
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Choice Hotels International a Partner in Visa's Read Me a Story Tour

SILVER SPRING, Md. (Nov. 3, 1997) – Choice Hotels International has been selected as the official hotel sponsor of Visa's Read Me a Story program and performance tour for the second year in a row.

The Read Me a Story program, which began last year, is a national reading awareness campaign that benefits Reading Is Fundamental, the nation's oldest and largest children's literacy organization.

Visa, the world's largest consumer payment system, has pledged a contribution of at least \$1 million to Reading is Fundamental from Nov. 1 through Dec. 31. Every time a Visa cardholder makes a purchase with a Visa card, a donation automatically will be made to the program.

As sponsor of the tour, Choice Hotels International will provide hotel accommodations for Read Me a Story touring casts, crew and tour staff. The tour will visit schools, malls and other sites in 24 major cities across the country.

In addition, selected Choice hotels will host Read Me a Story parties at which local children can meet favorite storybook characters as they put on a show that spotlights the fun of reading aloud.

Choice Hotels International is one of the largest hotel franchise companies in the world with more than 3,400 hotels, inns, all-suite hotels and

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resorts in 33 countries under the brand names Comfort, Quality, Clarion, Sleep Inn, Rodeway Inn, Econo Lodge and MainStay Suites.

For more information on the Read Me a Story program and performance information, call (888) 703-READ.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 22, 1997

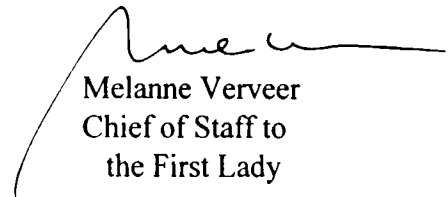
Mr. David Haproff
Director of Publications
Russell Sage Foundation
112 East 64th Street
New York, NY 10021

Dear Mr. Haproff:

Thank you very much for your letter and for
Consequences of Growing Up Poor which I have shared with
others here. We will find the volume most useful.

Thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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RUSSELL SAGE FOUNDATION
112 EAST 64TH STREET
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10021

DAVID A. HAPROFF
Director of Publications

September 8, 1997

Melanne Verveer
Deputy Assistant to the President,
and Deputy Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
Washington, DC 20502

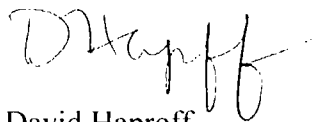
Dear Ms. Verveer:

On behalf of the editors, Greg J. Duncan and Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, I am pleased to send you a copy of our newest book, *Consequences of Growing Up Poor*. In *Consequences of Growing Up Poor*, developmental psychologists, economists, and sociologists revisit a large body of studies to answer specific questions about how low income puts children at risk intellectually, emotionally, and physically. Many of their investigations demonstrate that although income clearly creates disadvantages, it does so selectively and in a wide variety of ways.

I would be very interested in hearing your reaction to the book and am happy to answer any questions you may have. Please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

Cordially,



David Haproff

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 22, 1997

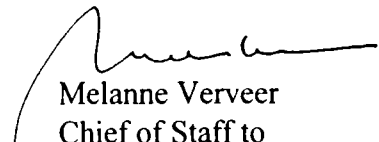
Ms. Dianne Hess
Executive Director
Scholastic Press
555 Broadway
New York, NY 10012-3999

Dear Ms. Hess:

Thank you very much for your thoughtful letter and for
I have a Dream, which I have given to the First Lady.

Thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

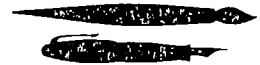


Melanne Verveer
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September 10, 1997

Ms. Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20502

Dear Ms. Verveer,

I'm honored to be sending Mrs. Clinton a special, autographed copy of *I Have a Dream*, an illustrated version of Dr. Martin Luther King's speech, with a foreword by Coretta Scott King.

I'm sending you this book in light of the work that you have been doing with Scholastic and our president, Richard Robinson, on reading initiatives.

We are proud to have published this book, and particularly with 15 Coretta Scott King Award and Honor Book artists. The Coretta Scott King Awards are awarded each year by the American Library Association to African American children's book writers and artists whose distinguished books promote an understanding and appreciation of the culture and the contribution of all people to the realization of the "American Dream." These artists represent the best in African American children's book artists, and it seems such a fitting tribute to Dr. King's dream to have his words illustrated by these particular artists.

Perhaps this book can fit into the reading initiative program...

Sincere best wishes,

Dianne Hess
Executive Editor
Scholastic Press

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 4, 1997

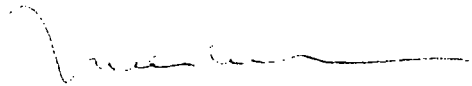
Mr. Howard Hallman
Methodists United for Peace with Justice
1500 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Dear Howard:

Thank you very much for a copy of your letter sent to the President regarding global elimination of nuclear weapons. I have shared your letter with administration officials.

Thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melanne Verveer', with a long, horizontal, slightly wavy line extending to the right.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

Methodists United for Peace with Justice
1500 16th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036
Phone/fax: 301 896-0013 E-mail: mupj@lgc.apc.org

August 20, 1997

To: Ms. Melanne Verveer
Office of the First Lady

Fax: 202 356-6244+

No. of pages: 5

From: Howard W. Hallman, Chair

Re: Communication to President Clinton on Nuclear Disarmament

Dear Melanne:

I would like to share with you the attached communication to President Clinton, urging him to provide incisive leadership to set the stage for global elimination of nuclear weapons. We promise considerable grassroots support for such initiatives.

With best regards,

Howard W. Hallman

Methodists United for Peace with Justice
1500 16th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036
Phone/fax: 301 896-0013 E-mail: mupj@igc.apc.org

August 20, 1997

To: President William J. Clinton

Through: Mr. Samuel R. Berger

Fax: 202 456-2883

No. of pages: 4

From: Howard W. Hallman, Chair

Re: Global Elimination of Nuclear Weapons (Message 2)

Dear Mr. President:

As of today, you have 41 months remaining in office to set the course for the global elimination of nuclear weapons. This would achieve the goal you projected in your second inaugural address to have a land of new promise where "our children will sleep free from the threat of nuclear, chemical or biological weapons."

To be forthrightly honest, you have no chance of achieving this objective at the pace you are now proceeding. In fact, there is great likelihood that your daughter Chelsea's children – your grandchildren – will sleep fearful of nuclear destruction. According to your reaffirmation of Pentagon policies to keep nuclear weapons forever, your grandchildren as teenagers in the third decade of the new century will retain this fear. They will unless you provide more vigorous leadership or a future president truly comes to grips with the necessity to eliminate all nuclear weapons from Earth.

I make this observation with deep regret, for I was once hopeful that you would accomplish more. What I see is a mixed record.

On the one hand, you have obtained ratification of two treaties negotiated by the Bush Administration: START II and Chemical Weapons Convention. You have brought to conclusion negotiations for the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty CTBT, an idea first broached by Adlai Stevenson in the 1956 presidential election campaign. You seem to be gearing up to push for Senate ratification. In Helsinki you and President Yeltsin adopted guidelines for a START III agreement (though with minimalist objectives and so far no follow through).

On the other hand, to neutralize the nuclear weapons laboratories and their industrial and military allies on the CTBT, you agreed to increase their funding for the next ten years. They are using these funds to carry out subcritical tests and other endeavors that skirt the edge of the CTBT, and many think violate the intent of the treaty. An Energy Department report indicates that the labs "are currently working on programs to provide new or modified designs" of nuclear weapons.

surely not something expected under the CTBT. There is talk of reopening an obsolete nuclear reactor at Hanford, Washington and contracting with a nuclear power facility to produce tritium (thereby ending a half-century of separation of nuclear power and nuclear weapons production). The START III guidelines would leave a huge, active arsenal in 2007 and thereafter. Furthermore, your administration has refused to take seriously the legal commitment under Article VI of the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT) for negotiations on nuclear disarmament.

In short, the Clinton heritage seems destined to be a somewhat leaner but considerably meaner nuclear arsenal that will last forever. Not the promise of your second inaugural address.

This need not be. You may feel hemmed in by the U.S. Congress and the Russian Duma on START, but there is a tremendous amount you can accomplish through executive action. Let me suggest two things.

1. De-alerting

A very promising approach that depends primarily upon executive leadership is **de-alerting strategic nuclear forces**. There are degrees of de-alerting, ultimately seeking to separate warheads from delivery vehicles so that an immediate attack cannot take place. Not only are there useful precedents but also there is growing support for this idea among a wide range of national security experts.

The precedent is reciprocal actions taken by President Bush and President Gorbachev in the fall of 1991. In a speech on September 27, 1991 President Bush announced unilateral U.S. cuts in tactical nuclear weapons and taking off alert the entire U.S. fleet of strategic bombers and U.S. strategic missiles that would later be deactivated under START I. Eight days later President Gorbachev reciprocated with cutbacks in tactical nuclear weapons and taking Soviet similar kinds of strategic weapons off alert. Neither president required legislative ratification of their actions.

The idea of expanding a de-alert to most or all of the strategic arsenals, sometimes referred as zero alert, has gained the endorsement of many experts. This includes reports and statements from such sources as the NGO Commission on the U.S. Nuclear (1993), the Project on Eliminating Weapons of Mass Destruction of the Henry L. Stimson Center (1995), the Canberra Commission on the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons (1996), Sixty World Military Leaders (1996), a panel of the National Academy of Scientists (1997), and a series of scholarly studies by Bruce Blair of the Brookings Institution. Advocates of de-alerting include General Lee Butler, General Andrew Goodpaster, General Charles A. Horner, General John R. Galvin, Sam Nunn, Robert S. McNamara, Paul H. Nitze, Fred Ikle, and many more.

In an article on de-alerting in the Washington Post's Outlook section of June 22, 1997, Sam Nunn and Bruce Blair offered a number practical ways to achieve de-alert status. The authors concluded:

All of these measures could be rapidly implemented on a reciprocal basis without a protracted arms control negotiation. They are equitable, inexpensive, and lend themselves to direct observation using normal surveillance methods and existing

arrangements for on-site inspection. And procedures needed to reverse them would be slow and transparent.

Therefore, I suggest that you make a public commitment to seeking de-alerting the nuclear arsenal. The opening of the United Nations General Assembly in September would be a good occasion. You could invite Russia and other nuclear weapons states to join you in working out practical methods of implementation. Perhaps the September meeting of the NATO-Russia Joint Council could be an opportunity to commence negotiations, but somehow bringing in China also.

To help the process along you might appoint an advisory committee of prominent military and foreign policy experts, such as some of the persons listed above, to help work out practical ways to achieve de-alerting. Their role would not be to advise whether to de-alert, for you as president would have already made that decision, but rather to use their knowledge to move the process along as quickly as possible.

Once the nuclear arsenal is on de-alert status with warheads separated from delivery vehicles, treaties on nuclear disarmament and the eventual dismantlement of all nuclear weapons will be much easier to achieve.

2. Nuclear Weapons Convention

The second significant executive action you can undertake would be initiation of negotiations for a **nuclear weapons convention** that would establish a timebound framework for the global elimination of nuclear weapons. Such a treaty could be negotiated and signed by the end of 2000 so that you would indeed set the course to assure that your grandchildren would be free of the threat of nuclear destruction.

A group of citizens working under the auspices of the Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy has drafted a "Model Nuclear Weapons Convention" that can serve as a point of departure. A working group within your administration should take up this draft and other ideas. It would also be useful for you to appoint a special commission of citizen representatives to conduct forums, hold public hearings, and provide debate the merits of various elements of a nuclear weapons convention. This would help generate support for the convention.

International negotiations for a nuclear weapons convention could be handled by a special committee of the UN Conference on Disarmament or could be taken up by the Non-Proliferation Treaty Preparatory Committee when it reconvenes in April 1998 in Geneva.

You could announce your commitment to this approach in September at the UN General Assembly.

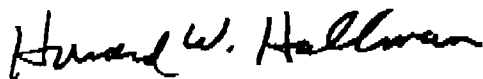
3. Grassroots Support

It would be easy to generate favorable statements from top religious leaders for your initiatives to achieve de-alert status for the nuclear arsenal and to commence negotiations for a nuclear weapons convention. Furthermore, there would be an outpouring of grassroots support within the religious community throughout the country.

We were quite successful in developing considerable grassroots support for Senate ratification of the Nuclear Weapons Convention. We are now gearing up for a much wider and deeper campaign to support Senate ratification of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. Already there is a commitment from all Mainline Protestant denominations, the historic peace churches, the Catholic Church and lay Catholic networks, Reform Judaism, and a number of Evangelical Christians. We are working closely with peace, arms control, and environmental organizations, giving particular attention to key states where senators are considered swing votes for CTBT ratification.

This grassroots network would readily be supportive of presidential initiatives on de-alerting the nuclear arsenal and negotiating a nuclear weapons convention. Thus, you would have plenty of support for bold presidential initiatives to set the course for global elimination of nuclear weapons.

With best regards,



Howard W. Hallman, Chair
Methodists United for Peace with Justice

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WASHINGTON

September 4, 1997

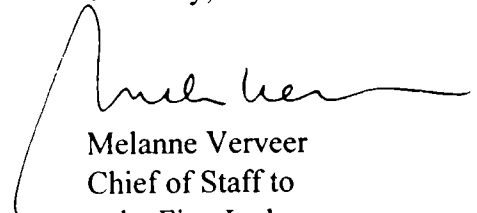
Ms. Joan Luke Hills
Officer-in-Charge
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1775 K Street, NW
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Dear Ms. Hills:

Thank you very much for your letter and for Samina Kamal's "Women Empowerment and Poverty Alleviation in South Asia: The Dual Benefits of Micro Credit," which I have given to the First Lady. Ms. Kamal has also been acknowledged directly.

Thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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20 August 1997

Dear Ms. Verveer,

I am pleased to enclose a recent book for Mrs. Clinton by a UN colleague, Ms. Samina Kamal, on *Women Empowerment and Poverty Alleviation in South Asia: The Dual Benefits of Micro Credit*. Mr. Gus Speth, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, has provided the *Forward* to the book which offers ways of improving the financial status of women in South Asia. We believe that Mrs. Clinton will find the information of interest.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely, .

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Joan Luke Hills".

Joan Luke Hills
Officer-in-Charge

Ms. Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President and
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

47 East, 92nd Street
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Mrs. Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C.

August 12, 1997

Dear Mrs. Hillary Clinton,

I am pleased to present to you a copy of my book "Women Empowerment and Poverty Alleviation in South Asia: The Dual Benefits of Micro Credit" which contains an analysis of the current dilemmas facing women in South Asia. The book has been published in the framework of the South Asia Poverty Alleviation Programme (UNDP).

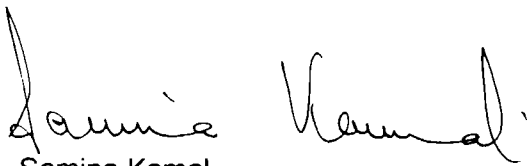
I greatly admired your dynamic role in mobilizing support of the international community in promoting access to Micro Credit, especially for women in the developing world at the World Summit on Micro Credit earlier this year in Washington.

I feel my book would be of interest to you as it highlights the impact of micro-credit and the role of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in improving the lives of women in both the rural and urban areas of South Asia.

As you have expressed on so many occasions the success of micro credit represents the success of millions of determined women who have overcome extreme poverty. Your unstinting support for the promotion of better access to micro-credit for women and the poor is a source of immense hope and strength to women in South Asia..

I hope you will find this book a useful contribution to the international efforts being made to enhance the status of women in the South Asian region.

With best regards,


Samina Kamal

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August 5, 1997

Ms. Sophia Bracy Harris
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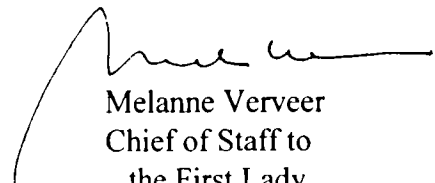
Dear Ms. Harris:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you very much for your letter and invitation to FOCAL's 26th Annual Meeting and Fund Drive in November.

Regrettably, the First Lady is unable to accept your kind invitation as she is scheduled to be out of the country during that time, but sends her best wishes for a successful and productive event.

Best wishes in your important work.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

August 5, 1997

Ms. Marian Wright Edelman
Children's Defense Fund
25 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Marian:

Thank you for your letter and for forwarding Sophia Bracy Harris' invitation to the First Lady to FOCAL's 26th Annual Meeting and Fund Drive in November. We have also acknowledged her directly.

Regrettably, the First Lady is unable to accept the invitation as she scheduled to be out of the country at that time.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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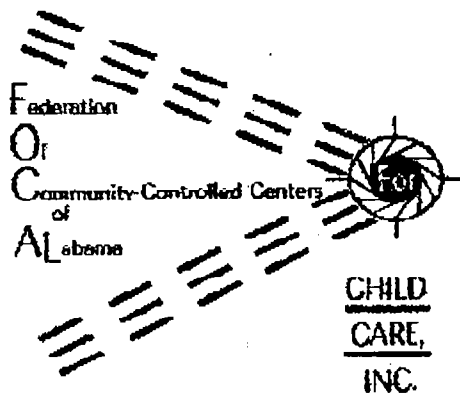
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COMMENTS:

Melanne:

I hope Hillary considers accepting the following invitation from Sophia Bracy Harris and FOCAL. Sophia is wonderful and a long time warrior for children and the child care community. She was honored at this year's CDF conference for her dedication and it would be a great boost if Hillary could do. Thanks.



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June 10, 1997

The Honorable Hillary Rodham Clinton
Office of the First Lady
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

The Board of Directors, members and staff of the Federation of Child Care Centers of Alabama (FOCAL) would be honored by your presence as keynote speaker at our 26th Annual Meeting and Fund Drive, to be held on November 8, 1997, in Montgomery, Alabama. Your attendance has special significance in that FOCAL will publicly launch its curriculum guide entitled More Is Caught Than Taught (MCTT). The basic premise of MCTT is that children form their own identities based largely on experience and observations of the World around them. MCTT is built around the wisdom of the African Proverb, "It Takes a Whole Village to Raise a Child." Materials have been assembled to assist parents, child care providers and community leaders to mobilize resources to create the best possible climate and role models for the early childhood years of our children.

In 1972, FOCAL was organized by child care advocates and low-income child care providers to address the problems and needs of poor and black families throughout Alabama. Since that time, FOCAL has provided tens of thousands of person hours of training and technical assistance to child care providers, parents and grassroots community leaders.

Last year, Marian Wright Edelman keynoted our Silver Anniversary with 350 child care and Head Start providers, parents, and community leaders in attendance. We anticipate an attendance of 300 to 400 persons which will coincide with our Second Annual Fund-raiser designed to support our advocacy of child care subsidies for the working poor.

Your attendance would be a tremendous encouragement and boost to the constituents of FOCAL and other child advocates and providers who have toiled tirelessly to provide quality care to children. The need for affordable, quality child care is growing and it is crucial that the public and private sectors join together in addressing this need.

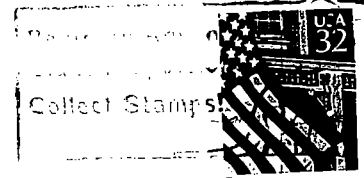
Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,


Sophia Bracy Harris

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July 24, 1997

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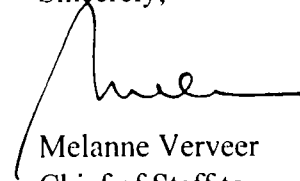
Dear Chris:

It was great to learn of your progress. Congratulations on making partner at Mintz Levin. I wish you all the best in your future challenges.

Best wishes.

Great news!

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
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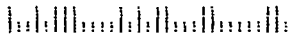
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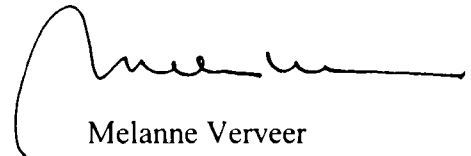
Dear Mr. & Mrs. Haloossim:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you very much for your thoughtful letter and good wishes.

I have forwarded your letter to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady, to keep on file in the event that Mrs. Clinton makes a trip to Beverly Hills.

Thank you for writing and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
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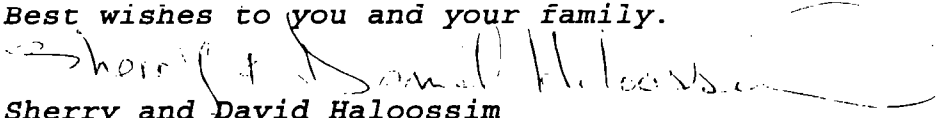
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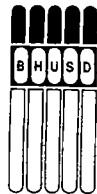
Dear Mrs. Hillary Clinton,

We would like to start by extending our congratulations to you and Mr. President on your daughter, Chelsea's, recent graduation and choice of college at Stanford. As proud parents of three sons, we take great pride in their accomplishments as well.

As Presidents of the PTSA of Beverly Hills High School, in California, we however, take an even greater interest in the state of our youth today. While often times attention is centered on the Urban and Inner City educational environments, we pride ourselves in our community in striving to achieve the highest level of excellence, yet maintain a racially and culturally diverse student body. As a sign of acknowledgment, we in the Beverly Hills community would be honored if you could extend any future visits to Southern California to include our high school.

Best wishes to you and your family.


Sherry and David Haloossim
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July 2, 1997

Mr. David Harvey
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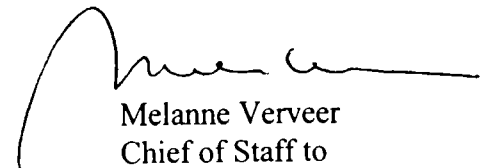
Dear Mr. Harvey:

Thank you for your letter and for your recommendation that Regan Hall Reinerth be placed in the First Lady's office for the intern session beginning July 10, 1997.

I have forwarded your letter to the intern director, Maria Westfried, and I am certain she will give your suggestion full consideration.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

FAXTo: *Melanne Verveer*Fax: *456.6244*From: *David Harvey***AIDS Policy Center***For Children, Youth & Families*

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July 2, 1997

Ms. Madge Henning
The White House Intern Program
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Melanne - she
has been placed
in Aids policy
for which she seems
perfect.

Dear Ms. Henning:

I am writing to strongly recommend that Regan Hall Reinerth be placed as a White House intern in the First Lady's office. Regan has been working with AIDS Policy Center for several weeks as part of the community service component of her internship. Regan was accepted into the White House intern program in March, 1997 for a placement that will start next week.

As you may know, the First Lady has a particular interest in pediatric AIDS issues and has repeatedly demonstrated her commitment to addressing the needs of children and families living with HIV and AIDS. At AIDS Policy Center, Regan has been researching AIDS drug access issues as well as other concerns, and has already gained a working knowledge of many federal AIDS policy issues. Regan would be an asset to the First Lady's office on AIDS and other health care issues.

Regan is a talented, dedicated student who has shown initiative, attention to detail, and a capacity to learn quickly and deal appropriately with highly complex issues. I strongly recommend her for your immediate attention.

Sincerely,

David C. Harvey
Executive Director

cc: Sandra Thurman
Marsha Scott
Melanne Verveer
Jennifer Klein

THE WHITE HOUSE
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October 22, 1997

Dr. Heidi Hartman
Dr. Diana Zuckerman
Institute for Women's Policy Research
1400 20th Street, NW Suite 104
Washington, DC 20036

Dear Heidi and Diana:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you very much for your letter and invitation to the Fifth Women's Policy Research Conference next June.

I have forwarded your letter to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady. However, it is much too early to determine whether or not Mrs. Clinton will be available at that time.

Thanks for writing and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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