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THE WHITE HOUSE
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July 13, 1999

Peggy A. Scharlin
"I Have a Dream" Foundation of Miami – Group 2
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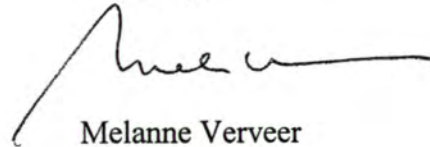
Dear Ms. Scharlin:

Thank you for your letter and the information about the "I Have a Dream" Foundation of Miami, which I have shared with my colleagues.

Encouraging our nation's young people to explore new opportunities and experiences is so important. I know Mrs. Clinton would want me to convey her appreciation for the Foundation's vital work, along with her best wishes to you and your students.

I understand your group will be visiting the White House on July 30. We hope they will enjoy the tour!

Sincerely,

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

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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June 22, 1999

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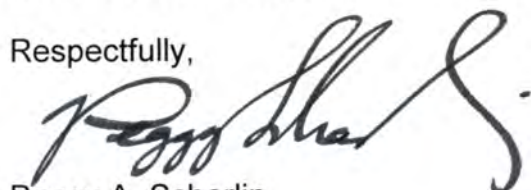
Dear Ms. Verveer:

I have enclosed a copy of a letter that I sent to the White House Visitors Office and which I thought may be of interest to Mrs. Clinton.

As the letter describes, I am working with a group of at-risk, inner city children with the intentions of providing educational and experiential learning for them in order to expand their horizons and opportunities. We want them to begin thinking about their future in a positive sense from a very early age. As part of this program, which is called the "I Have a Dream" Foundation of Miami - Group 2, we will be flying to Washington for one day this summer. I am hoping to give the children the opportunity to visit the White House during our short stay in Washington.

Mrs. Clinton has shown an interest in our nations youth and education throughout her public life. Incidentally, she even visited the school where our program is located, Charles R. Drew Elementary, during a visit she made to Miami in December, 1994 (I have enclosed a brochure which pictures her with the school's principal, Dr. Fred Morley, to tickle her memory). Because of the interest she has shown in the past and because of her dedication to education, I thought that our program and these children may be of particular interest to her. I hope so!

Respectfully,



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June 15, 1999

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Mr. Jared Powell, Group Tours
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SENT VIA FAX AND U.S. MAIL

Dear Ms. Bates and Mr. Powell:

I spoke with your office yesterday regarding a very special group of children I am working with and who I will be bringing to Washington for one day this summer. It was suggested that I write to each of you to explain to you in more detail, who we are and what we would like to ask of the White House Visitors Office.

As I told the gentleman in your office, I am one of the sponsors of a program called the "I Have a Dream" Foundation of Miami, Inc. The goal of the "I Have a Dream" program is to nurture at-risk students and help make a college education attainable for them. It is based on a national foundation created by New York businessman Eugene Lang, initially to help 61 at-risk students finish high school and extend their horizons to college. Today there are more than 160 IHAD projects in 28 states with more than 15,000 Dreamers nationwide.

Our group, "I Have a Dream" Foundation of Miami - Group 2, consists of 112 Dreamers now in the second grade class at Charles R. Drew Elementary School in Liberty City, one of the poorest sections of Miami. Two local families are the primary sponsors of this class. We will be providing after school tutoring and mentoring, field trips and summer programs for the children, as well as classes and meetings for their parents. This programming will extend throughout their elementary and high school years. If our Dreamers participate in the programs offered and if they attend school daily with their work prepared, we guarantee them a college or vocational education. We want to provide these at-risk inner city children with a wide range of opportunities and with the knowledge that they can dream about becoming whatever they want to be.

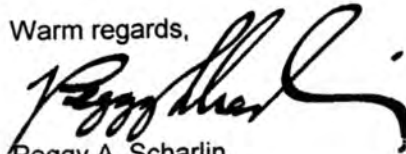
Our after school program began on March 1, 1999, offering tutoring and mentoring four days a week. Now, on June 22, 1999, we are beginning our first summer program for our Dreamers. Out of the 112 members of the class, we are expecting over 90 children to participate. The purpose of the summer program is education, with a lot of fun mixed in with it. We are introducing some new and exciting activities to help accelerate the learning process for these youngsters and we are hitting hard on basic reading, writing and math skills. We are also making an effort to teach these children by exposing them to new experiences by taking them on weekly field trips. One of these field trips, a very special one, is to Washington, D.C.

Ms. Bates and Mr. Powell, we were offered the opportunity to fly this group of "I Have a Dream" youngsters to Washington for a day. We will fly up in two groups (two different flights) on the morning of July 30th, and will fly home again on two different flights on the same evening. This is such a spectacular opportunity for these Dreamers, many of whom have never been outside of their neighborhood, let alone on a flight to our nations capitol! Because of this, we really need to make Washington a wowing experience for them. We need them to know and to see that they are important and that they can and do make a difference.

While we are in Washington, we want the children to visit the White House. We believe this is so important, and we would appreciate your working with us to provide a tour for them. We will be moving in two groups of 50 and could arrange for them to visit separately or all together. Visiting the White House will make such a difference in their lives.

Ms. Bates and Mr. Powell, I look forward to hearing from you and I would appreciate your assigning someone to work with our group and making this potentially life altering experience a reality for these children. If you have any questions about our program, please let me know. I am truly proud and excited about it and love the opportunity to share!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peggy A. Scharlin', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Peggy A. Scharlin
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cc: Congresswoman Carrie Meeks
Ms. Reta Lewis

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Dear Helen:

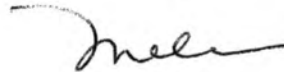
Thank you for your letter and many kind words. It was wonderful to hear from you!

I'm so sorry to hear about your health. My thoughts and prayers are with you. I know your recovery will occur because you have always maintained a very positive, can do attitude. Your psychology and faith will help overcome seeming mountains.

It is heartening to know about your work with the Russian and Ukrainian orphans. You have the great satisfaction of knowing that so many of your efforts have made a difference for others.

Thank you for the travel book. I hope to go on my own one day again. I'll always remember the tour you gave me!

Very best wishes,



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Mrs. Melanne Verveer,
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April 13, 1999

Dear Melanne,

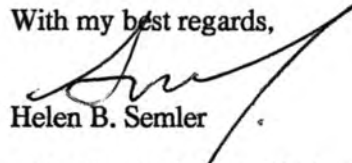
This letter was long in coming, but events took over my life. Shortly before you and the Clintons went off to Moscow, I learned that I had gastric cancer and found myself on the operation table. After that I no longer belonged to myself.

This did not mean, however, that I did not think about you and our wonderful First Lady. These months were excruciating for her and I marveled at her willpower and self control. I am happy that the Americans finally came to realize how much she did for the country and how loyal she was to the President. There is no doubt in my mind that she has made a major contribution to history. I was overjoyed when the press turned around and gave her due. I, personally remember her warmth and her caring attitude to people around her. It's memory I shall keep for life.

As to myself whatever time the Lord will grant me, I shall devote to helping Russian and Ukrainian orphans, who are in bad shape. I have joined the board of the Russian Children's Welfare Society made up of young successful Russian Americans eager to help where help is most needed.

Please remember me to Mrs. Clinton and thank her for all her kindness to me. Tell her that should she decide to run for the Senate, I and many of my friends will vote for her. My affection to you. I have never known anybody who can preserve calm and friendliness in the most stressful situations like you can.

With my best regards,



Helen B. Semler

P.S. Thanks for my White House Christmas card. It meant a lot to me.

P.S.² The fifth edition of my *Discovering Moscow* has come out. I shall mail you a copy.

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June 29, 1999

Sumner Rulon-Miller III
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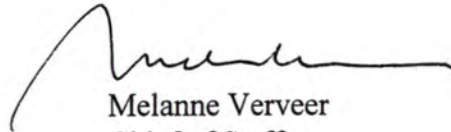
Dear Mr. Rulon-Miller:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your fax and invitation for the First Lady to speak at the Commencement of American School of Tangier in June of 2000.

Mrs. Clinton does not anticipate a trip to Morocco next year. Should that change, we shall get back in touch with you.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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June 23, 1999

Ms. Hillary Rodham Clinton
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Re: The American School of Tangier, Graduation: June, 2000

Dear Hillary:

I am the Board President of the American School of Tangier. Over 90 % of our students are Moroccan and go on full scholarship to universities in the United States.

I understand that your graduation speech at the University of Ifrane was a complete success and was warmly received by the Moroccan people.

You have become a cult heroine among the women of Morocco.

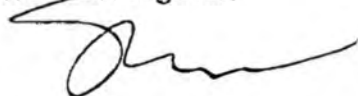
Mark and Janet Ginsberg are great fans of Joe McPhillips, Headmaster of the American School of Tangier.

We would very much like you to be our Graduation Speaker and celebrate our 50th year in June, 2000. I hope you will accept.

I am very enthusiastic about your running for the US Senate in New York State. As a resident of New York, I would very much like to become involved.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Warmest regards,



SUMNER RULON-MILLER III

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Via Fax (202-456-6244)

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 9, 1999

Caroline Stoessinger
Usdan Center for the Creative and Performing Arts
420 E. 79th Street
New York, NY 10021

Dear Caroline:

Thank you for your letter and invitation for the First Lady to keynote the ceremony opening the Andrew McKinley Concert Hall at the Usdan Center in Huntington on August 4.

I have forwarded the request to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady. As plans for the summer are completed, her office will be in touch if Mrs. Clinton is able to accept your invitation.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



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First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
Office of the First Lady
The White House
Washington, D.C., 20500

Attention: Melanne Verveer

9 May 1999

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I am writing to invite you to participate as the Keynote Speaker in the Opening Ceremony for the new Andrew McKinley Concert Hall at the Usdan Center for the Performing Arts in Huntington, Long Island at 1:30 p.m. on August 4, 1999. Jason Robards will narrate *The Lincoln Portrait*. Renee Flemming, Andre Watts, Barbara Hendricks, James Galway, Naja Salerno-Sonnenberg and Yo Yo Ma will also perform for the opening which will include remarks by Gian Carlo Menotti.

The Usdan Center, a UJA agency, is a summer art's festival and school attended daily by more than two thousand children (ages 8-18) each summer. **Your presence would be particularly meaningful at this time. You would be honoring children, their parents and the trustees of the Usdan Center who are devoting their lives to positive activities and principles.** The Opening Ceremony will be attended by the Usdan Trustees, members of New York's cultural community and the thousands of students and parents of the Usdan Center. Many of the children will participate in the Opening Ceremony including the members of the impressive orchestra. We anticipate significant media coverage. A television special is also planned.

The Usdan Center, which offers drama, dance music and media, was founded by Andrew McKinley, a former Metropolitan Opera tenor who was the first King Caspar in *Amahl and the Night Visitors* and the first magician in *The Consul* by Menotti... Mr. McKinley's vision and the mission of the Usdan Center is to develop the audiences of the future. The new concert hall can accommodate the two thousand students who attend the daily concerts and drama performances as a regular part of their program.

Your participation in the inaugural program would be exceptionally inspiring



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and a miraculous antidote to the tragic events in our schools. It would be wonderful to see you again. It has been much too long since the last events.

With gratitude and admiration, *and with the hope*
that you will be our Senator,
Caroline
Caroline Stoessinger
212 799-6086 212 799-2655

I am enclosing material about the Usdan Center for the Performing Arts and an article I wrote for the Arkansas Gazette before President Clinton's first inauguration. I would like to further suggest that the children who are involved in the arts are not the ones who wander into trouble or find themselves in prison. The work of practice and preparation and the joy of participating in ensembles helps youths to develop the discipline to live in their own skins and to cope with frustration and other difficulties.

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March 23, 1999

Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President &
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
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Dear Melanne:

I am writing to enthusiastically support a request that you received from Caroline Stoessinger, and that I understand is an open possibility for the First Lady: keynoting the August 4, 1999 dedication of the new amphitheater at the Usdan Center for the Creative and Performing Arts in New York.

My interest in The First Lady participating in this event is twofold. First, I know by its reputation and my own visits that Usdan is a wonderful place -- perhaps the most outstanding American arts camp -- drawing a diverse body of 1,500 children and youth each summer into an extraordinary program. The August 4th dedication promises to be an exciting event in the life of this important institution.

Second, my father is on the board of Usdan and was chair of the board when Usdan was created and built. He is one of the parents of Usdan, and he has all the pride of a parent for this wonderful camp.

If the First Lady could participate in this event in August, it would be a terrific boost for Usdan, and help build her important message about giving children the best supervision and the most meaningful opportunities to learn and succeed both in school and out of school hours.

Please give The First Lady my best.

Sincerely yours,

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Other Voices

President's support of arts critical to nation's spiritual survival

CAROLINE STOESSINGER
to the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette

My grandmother said, "Raise children with beauty and they won't go wrong." She was a farm woman, sent to school only through the third grade, lived her whole life without the convenience of indoor plumbing or electricity. She never traveled more than 50 miles from home, yet her imagination created a reverence for the arts. She transformed her old house into an aesthetically pleasing environment filled with the variety of quilts pieced together from scrap material, crocheted table coverings, braided rugs and wild flowers gleaned from the Ozark hills. Her exquisite taste stemmed from a deep sensitivity to the life of the people she worked. No one could accuse my grandmother of elitism, but she valued the wise words of Longfellow and Whitman and could recite their poems until it was time for bed. Monday nights we would patiently glued to the radio, listening through the static to hear the voice of the "Voice of Firestone" and the "bone Hour" broadcasts. Though she never attended a professional concert, a friend's rendition of "Moonlight" sonata or the auditory of the singing in the neighborhood black church enriched and com-

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forted her spirits. My grandmother managed two or three years of music lessons for most of her 12 children, including my mother, by paying with vegetables, cured meats and regally tall angel food cakes. At 18, Mother began teaching in a one-room country school with few books and no equipment except for a pump organ and her overwhelming desire to communicate with those young minds. When the children left her tutelage, they had not only learned to read, but were forever imprinted with the melodies from Mother's repertoire. They had acquired a respect for writers and poets and an awareness of giants called Bach, Beethoven and Handel. "Treasure beauty, storing it inside yourself — no one can ever take it away from you," she told her classes year after year. At her 80th birthday tribute, a former student who had become a judge recalled how often she had found refuge in that advice as she labored to make something of her life. Although her children and grandchildren attended state-of-the-art schools, the judge mourned that they were underprivileged. The inspiring, humanistic education that was her foundation had been abandoned in favor of develop-

ing easily measurable, mechanistic minds. Still, there are other examples. Some idealistic parents rise early on Saturdays to take their eager children to an oasis of American education, the Harlem School of the Arts in New York City. Like my grandmother, they instinctively sacrifice time and limited income to provide opportunities they themselves had missed. The atmosphere is one of extraordinary appreciation and cooperation among the parents, students and teachers. Even the grandparents get into the act, cooking a feast for the teachers on the closing day of school. Nourished by dedicated artist-teachers, the unknown potential of each child is celebrated. Along with musical technique, the students gain confidence in their worth as individuals. In recitals, these young performers stand alone on stage expressing their heart's truth. The trust that is fostered between teachers and pupils was demonstrated when one 8-year-old African-American violinist, after several years of weekly lessons, said to her instructor, "I just realized you are a white person." It is unlikely that many in our prison population have studied a musical instrument, played in a school band or orchestra, or experienced the communal joy of group singing. Since no one can practice for you, music teaches the discipline of living within your own

skin, of overcoming frustration with achievement. And through music we learn to listen, one of life's greatest accomplishments. Both public and private schools insist that students graduate with credits in physics, advanced math and history. But if offered at all, the arts, and especially music, are usually relegated to the extracurricular slot. Of course, most students will not become professional musicians any more than they might emerge as microbiologists. But all students require and deserve serious exposure to the arts. It is a humanizing education basic, for its lessons are lasting and can help ignite the moral imagination along the way. Unless we first convince the adults, however, we have no way of reaching the children. And that is where President Clinton enters. The new president is to be congratulated for ceremonially starting his inaugural day at Monticello, a symbol of America's commitment to the arts. Music was an essential part of Thomas Jefferson's life and we hope that as president, Clinton will echo the Founding Father's message. Jefferson was not only a great music lover, but a skilled amateur violinist. His home was the scene of American premieres performed from the scores he collected. Americans should be able to look with pride to our White House as a cultural beacon.

What we now need is for the Clintons to lead the way in passionately supporting our arts, our artists and arts education. The White House can provide accessible impetus by discarding their televised variety shows that for years have masqueraded as national culture. Instead, the Clintons can entertain our hungry souls with uplifting and unifying cultural programs disseminating education at the same time. While increased government funding for the arts may be unavailable, the Clintons, through the media, can go a long way encouraging artists and establishing the importance of the arts in a flourishing society. James Baldwin once wrote that there was no room for little artists in America. And it is true, as we rocketed along our materialistic highway, only megastars grossing fortunes have earned respect. But now we must recognize all of our artists, great and small, as critical to our spiritual survival. This is the first time in 20 years that we have hope! So with a great surge of optimism, we urge the new president to "take it from the top!"

Caroline Davis Stoessinger is artistic director of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City.

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Eric Woodward

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TO: Ms. Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
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FROM: Dr. Nikolaus Satelmajer

DATE: July 2, 1999

This fax includes three pages, including this transmittal notice.

Melanne Verveer

Steve,
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The White House
Washington, D.C.
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Did you get a complete,
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please call:

(202) 456-9151

From: Stephen Flanagan

To: Colin Cleary

Agency: State, EUR/NCE

Telephone: 647-4272

Fax Number: 736-4853

Date/Time: 7/8/99; 9:45 am

No. of pages to follow: 3

Message: *Colin, Here's the visa case I mentioned, which has come to the attention of the First Lady's chief of staff. It just came to me late yesterday with a one-day turn around tasker.*

It appears the individual concerned hopes to be admitted to a Boston hospital for heart surgery tomorrow but can't get a visa. Any light you can shed on this would be helpful, so I can advise Mrs. Verveer. Thanks.

Best wishes.



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From: Stephen Flanagan

To: Liam Wasley

Agency: State, EUR/NCE

Telephone: 647-3238

Fax Number: 736-4853

Date/Time: 7/13/99; 4:10 pm

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Message: *Liam, Here's the visa case I mentioned. Welcome anything you can find out on this, which has come to the attention of the First Lady's chief of staff.*

Best wishes.



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September 2, 1999

Yasmin Santiago
Administrator, International Migration Policy Program
Carnegie Endowment
1779 Massachusetts Ave., NW
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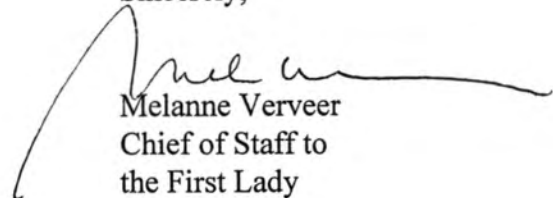
Dear Ms. Santiago:

Thank you for your letter and the invitation for the First Lady to speak at the Metropolis Conference, December 8-11.

I have notified Mr. Papademetriou and Mr. Burstein that regrettably, Mrs. Clinton's schedule will not permit her to accept the Endowment's kind invitation. But she conveys her appreciation for you and your colleague's vital work, along with her best wishes for a successful conference.

Thank you for all you do.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



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Reginald

CARNEGIE ENDOWMENT
for International Peace

12 August 1999

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

Dear Ms. Verveer:

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter inviting the First Lady to deliver a keynote address at the **Fourth Annual International Metropolis Conference**, to be held December 8–11, 1999, in Washington, DC. The conference is the flagship event of the Metropolis Project, a cooperative international research effort, led by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and the Canadian Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, that brings together policymakers, academics, and non-governmental organizations to address the effects of international migration on urban centers. You will find further information on the project and conference enclosed.

In view of the First Lady's long-time commitment to social equity issues and effective inter-group relations, and considering the recent report of the President's Initiative on Race, we believe this conference presents a unique opportunity for the First Lady to share her views on community-building with a high-level international audience.

We will be in touch with you in the near future about the First Lady's participation in the conference. In the meantime, I would be happy to answer any questions you might have about the conference or about the Metropolis Project in general. Please feel free to call me at 202-939-2278.

Respectfully,

Yasmin Santiago

Yasmin Santiago
Administrator
International Migration Policy Program

THE WHITE HOUSE
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September 7, 1999

Jeffrey Sell
1880 S. Dairy Ashford, Suite 125
Houston, TX 77077

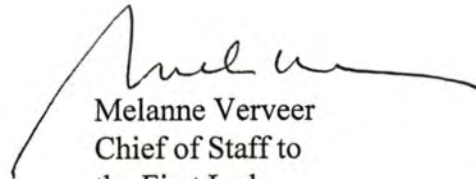
Dear Mr. Sell:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your letter and invitation for Mrs. Clinton to join the rally to raise awareness about autism on April 8.

Regrettably, as Mrs. Clinton's spring schedule is very full, it is unlikely that she will be able to accept your kind invitation. But I have forwarded your letter to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady. If there is an opportunity for Mrs. Clinton to attend, we will be in touch with you.

Raising awareness about autism is so important and you have the great satisfaction of knowing your vital work truly matters to so many. Thank you for all you do.

Best wishes,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

JEFFREY Z. SELL
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(Handwritten signature)

FAX COVERSHEET

DATE: 8/30/99

TO: MRS. HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON

FAX #: 202.783.6479 / 202.456.6255

FROM: JEFFREY Z. SELL

RE: AUTISM AWARENESS RALLY -- 4/8/2000

NO. OF PAGES 2

MEMO:

SEE ATTACHED

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The following contains information that is confidential and which retains, where applicable, the attorney-client privilege. If you receive this fax by error, please contact us at 281/496-3140 to inform us of the miscommunication and to verify destruction of the documents that follow. Thank You.

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August 29, 1999

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
Washington, D.C.
VIA FAX: 202.783.6479
202.456.6255

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

I am the father of 5 year-old twins, Benjamin and Joseph. They are autistic. I was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Autism Society of America and will be running for the state legislature (District 126), as a Democrat, on November 7, 2000. In my spare time, many others, and I have organized a public awareness rally that will be held on the Mall in Washington, D.C. on April 8, 2000. Simply put, we plan do our best to focus our nations attention on autism for at least one day. Everyone in this land has heard of AIDS, Muscular Dystrophy, etc... However, when I tell people that my twins are autistic, many haven't a clue as to what I'm referring to; and some have even inquired as to "what types of painting or theater do they do?" Others simply say, "oh, like Rainman".

Very few know what autism is. Very few are concerned that the number of children diagnosed with this disorder has grown nearly tenfold over the past 15-20 years. There are 500,000 autistic individuals living quietly amongst us. Many think there is a cure--there is not. Many feel that there is a known cause to this disorder--there is not. There are, however, many unanswered questions that are posed every night of our lives to our maker, "WHY...?"

We will be doing our best to shine a beacon on autism during the next year and a half leading up to the rally. Parents, friends and family members of autistic children and adults are looking for answers to many questions. Awareness is the key to unlocking the box that our loved ones seemed to be locked up in.

If you can, please join us on April 8, 2000. Naturally, if you have any questions, please contact me; and, best of luck in New York!

Thank you for your time.

Peacefully,



JEFFREY Z. SELL

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 2, 1999

Jamienne Studley
President
Skidmore College
815 North Broadway
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866-1632

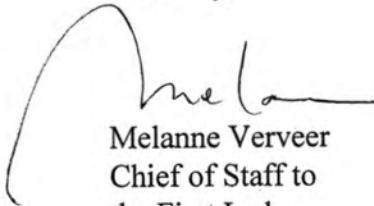
Dear Jamie:

Congratulations on your new post. It's so exciting and we're all very pleased for you. Thank you too for your letter and invitation for Hillary to visit Skidmore College, September 24-25.

Regrettably, her schedule will not permit her to accept your kind invitation this month. But please accept her best wishes for your inaugural. We know you will bring vision and important leadership at Skidmore. If there is an opportunity in the near future for Mrs. Clinton to visit Skidmore, we will be in touch with you.

Congratulations to you and all the best.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

SKIDMORE
C O L L E G E

②

August 11, 1999

Melanne Verveer
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Melanne:

I would appreciate anything you can do to help make this possible.

Best regards,

Jamie

SKIDMORE

C O L L E G E

August 11, 1999

Hillary Rodham Clinton
First Lady of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I have followed your recent visits to New York with great interest and hope that I might entice you to visit Skidmore and the City of Saratoga Springs in the very near future.

During the weekend of September 24-25, the College will celebrate my inauguration as the sixth president of Skidmore College. I have enclosed a copy of the invitation and would be most honored if your schedule would permit you to join us on Friday evening for either or both of the following:

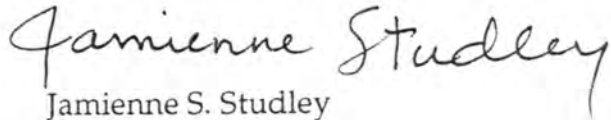
- Friday evening dinner with trustees and special invited guests;
- Friday evening concert featuring Skidmore performing arts students and faculty, and a special appearance by the Harlem Boys Choir, just now completing their annual summer residency on our campus.

In addition, there are two more public events on Saturday:

- We would be delighted to welcome you as a panelist in the Saturday morning symposium moderated by Dr. Charles Ogletree of Harvard Law School. The focus of the panel is "The High Wire Act of Liberal Arts Colleges: Values and Communities, Independence and Responsibility." We have assembled a distinguished panel and expect a lively discussion which probes beneath the rhetoric and looks toward the future;
- The inauguration ceremony is scheduled for Saturday afternoon and I would be delighted if you would bring greetings from the arenas of education and of women and the law (or indeed, if you would like to give a longer address). Our friends, Guido Calabresi and Judith Winston, are on the Inaugural program for short remarks.

The Saturday events would provide an opportunity for you to speak to your interest in higher education as you continue your tour of New York State. Indeed, a visit by you to the Skidmore campus would be a highlight of our weekend. I hope your staff will be in touch with me if this letter piques your interest. I understand that it is difficult for you to make scheduling commitments well in advance. If you are interested in joining us, we can be flexible as to which event and the nature of your participation.

With very best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jamienne Studley". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Jamienne S. Studley
President

JSS:ebb
Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 20, 1999

Ann Stock
Vice President, Institutional Affairs
The Kennedy Center
Washington, DC 20566-0001

Dear Ann:

On behalf of little Leigh, this grandma wants to thank you for the copy of *Brothers of the Knight* and your thoughtful words. You are so thoughtful and I'm so grateful.

The Kennedy Center shows your influence in so many ways. You make us proud.

All the best,

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

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

September 16, 1999

Ann Stock
Vice President, Institutional Affairs
The Kennedy Center
Washington, DC 20566-0001

Dear Ann:

On behalf of ~~my granddaughter~~, ^{little Leigh, this grandma wants to} thank you for the copy of *Brothers of the Knight* and your thoughtful words. ~~It's a wonderful book and I'll be sure to pass it on someday!~~

All the best,

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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The Kennedy
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You make us
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The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20566-0001
202 416-8000

August 20, 1999

Ms. Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Melanne:

In 1998, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts teamed up with Debbie Allen to create a new theater work for families. The result was the critically acclaimed *Brothers of the Knight*, which not only won Ms. Allen a Helen Hayes Award for Best Choreography, but was also the first-ever children's production nominated by them for Best Musical. Now, this endearing story jumps from the stage to the page.

Brothers of the Knight, written by Debbie Allen with pictures by Kadir Nelson, is the story of Reverend Knight and his twelve sons. Every morning the boys' shoes are torn and ripped until Sunday, a bright energetic young lady comes to solve the mystery of the shoes and learns that every night the boys go dancing.

Tiki Davies and I wanted you to have one of the first copies. We hope you and your family enjoy this delightful book.

Best regards,

Ann Stock
Vice President
Institutional Affairs

For your grandchild — many
years from now.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 17, 1999

Aleya Saad
Executive Director
ArtTable
270 Lafayette Street, Suite 608
New York, NY 10012

Dear Ms. Saad:

Thank you for your letter and forwarding the invitation for the First Lady to greet the ArtTable conference participants at the White House in March.

It is not clear at this early date, whether Mrs. Clinton will be in Washington during the time you indicated. I have forwarded the request to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady. If Mrs. Clinton is in Washington we will work with you on the visit with her. However, if Mrs. Clinton is unable to meet with the conference participants in person, we will be happy to arrange a special White House tour for your group.

Please stay in touch.

Sincerely,

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

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



August 25, 1999

Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President and
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Verveer:

At the suggestion of ArtTable member Lee Kimche McGrath, I am enclosing a copy of a letter sent recently to First Lady Hillary Clinton with a request to meet with her in March 2000.

You may have already reviewed the letter on her behalf, but we wanted to send an additional copy as well, and hope we will be able to meet with Mrs. Clinton during our second National Conference taking place in Washington, D.C., March 17 through 20, 2000. We would like very much to meet with her on Monday morning, March 20, at 10:00 a.m. Please let me know if I should provide you with any additional information regarding our request. (212-343-1735)

I look forward to talking with you soon.

Sincerely yours,

Aleya Saad
Executive Director

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His response that
we don't know what
Mrs C's schedule
will be in March,
but if she's not
available we'll
welcome other people,
in a town, etc.



Aleya Saad
Executive Director

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August 25, 1999

The First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of ArtTable, Inc., it is my great pleasure to request the honor of your presence on Monday, March 20, 2000 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. to greet the members of ArtTable at the White House Sculpture Garden during our second national conference.

ArtTable, Inc., founded in 1981, is a national membership organization based in New York City, with over 950 members in four chapters in New York, Washington, D.C., Los Angeles, San Francisco, and points in between. The organization works to create a meaningful professional network for its members, and to offer educational programs to the public, to offer one-to-one mentoring for young women who are generally underrepresented in visual arts professions, and to take an active role in arts advocacy. Our members are women who are leaders in the visual arts professions from museum directors and curators to corporate and foundation funders, as well as gallery owners, writers, and critics from the non-profit and for-profit arts communities.

This year's conference theme is "The Entrepreneurial Spirit--Women in the Visual Arts." The conference will be held from March 17 through March 21 and will coincide with National Arts Advocacy Day. We are delighted to report that Marian Godfrey, director of the Culture Program at the Pew Charitable Trusts, will present the conference keynote address on Saturday, March 18, at the National Gallery of Art. We expect approximately 300 members from New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Washington, D.C., to attend the conference. Your outstanding public support of the visual arts and private enthusiasm for it are well known among our members. We would be greatly honored to have the opportunity to greet you and view the White House Sculpture Garden which is such a great tribute to the creative American genius.

As for historical involvement by our New York Representatives in ArtTable programs, both Congresswoman Nita Lowey and Congresswoman Louise Slaughter have contributed in prior years to our Annual Award Luncheon in New York City, as honorary chairperson and as keynote speaker, respectively.

We are grateful for your consideration of this request and look forward to a reply from your office. Please contact ArtTable's Executive Director Aleya Saad in New York at (212) 343-1735 at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary MacNaughton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mary" and last name "MacNaughton" clearly legible.

Mary MacNaughton
President

Encls.

✓ bcc: MV

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October 13, 1999

Isabel Carter Stewart
National Executive Director
Girls Inc.
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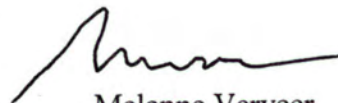
Dear Isabel:

Thank you for the copies of Extraordinary Girls and conveying the authors' invitation to the First Lady. I've passed the book on to Mrs. Clinton. I know she will read it with great interest.

The First Lady's schedule is very full this Fall and it is not yet certain whether she will be able to accept your kind invitation. But I have forwarded the request to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady. As plans for the fall are completed, she will be in touch with you.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melanne Verveer', with a stylized, flowing script.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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Girls Incorporated®

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Date: 29 Sept. '99**To:** Melanne Verver**From:** J. Sabul Stewart**# of pages:** 2**Fax:** (212) 509 8708**Fax #:** 202-456-6244**Tel:** (212) 509-2000**Tel #:** _____**Company:** _____**Comments:**

Dear Melanne:

Sorry I missed your call.

The attached letter is in preparation for
our conversation.

Regards,
J. Sabul

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8 July 1999

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to the First Lady
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Washington, DC 20500

Dear Melanne:

We in New York are very excited at the prospect of Mrs. Clinton becoming our next Senator! We look forward to seeing her more often in these parts and are pleased that she is taking this next step in her political career.

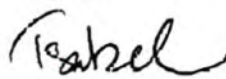
I wish to share the enclosed book, Extraordinary Girls, which celebrates girls around the world along with their various hopes and accomplishments, with both Mrs. Clinton and Chelsea Clinton. I think it truly captures the celebratory spirit and strength of girls.

The book's authors, Maya Ajmera, Olatuju Omolodun and Sarah Strunk, would like to approach Mrs. Clinton, through the enclosed invitation, to participate in a public reading from the book. This might be a wonderful opportunity for Mrs. Clinton to meet with young girls in New York City and, in addition to sharing the book with them, hear from them about some of their own aspirations. She is such an inspiration to so many women, young and "older" (!) alike, that I think it would be a perfect opportunity to reach out and directly impact the lives of some local girls.

The authors have proposed a joint reading by Mrs. Clinton and me either in New York or in Washington, to be held sometime in the late autumn or early winter. I would very pleased if she could join me in this effort and we would accommodate her schedule. Might I also suggest that if she would prefer to arrange a reading in another region in New York State, Girls Incorporated has affiliates in Schenectady and Syracuse and we would be pleased to host her at either of these locations.

I will contact your office later this month to confirm that the books arrived in good condition and to discuss the possibility of a public reading. Thank you, as ever, for your consideration.

Best regards,

Isabel Carter Stewart
National Executive Director**girls
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 13, 1999

Ambassador Edward Shumaker III
US Embassy, Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago
15 Queen's Park West
Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago

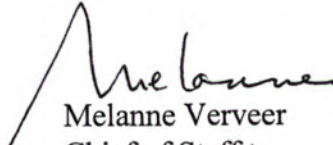
Dear Terry:

Thank you for your kind note and clips about the First Lady's message at the Vital Voices Conference. It is heartening to know the conference went well.

I know Mrs. Clinton regretted not being able to attend the conference in person but was pleased to be able to send a message on tape. Thank you for all you and your staff have done to contribute to its success.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,


Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

*We've gotten
fabulous reports
from some of
the attendees.*

*Congrats for all
you did to make
this a reality.*

THE AMBASSADOR



September 30
Thanks

Dear Melanne —

The speaker was terrific and very well received. Many thanks for your support and assistance on this. Copies of my letter, clips etc are attached. All my best to you. Please thank your staff for us as well. Sincerely,

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
PORT OF SPAIN, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Terry

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

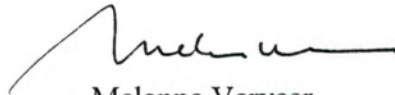
October 14, 1999

His Excellency Zalman Shoval
Embassy of Israel
3514 International Dr., NW
Washington, DC 20008

Dear Ambassador Shoval:

Enclosed are some photos taken during Mrs. Barak and Mrs. Clinton's meeting at the White House in July. We would be grateful if you would forward the photos to Mrs. Barak, with Mrs. Clinton's compliments.

Very best wishes,

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

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 20, 1999

Beverly Sheppard
Acting Director
1100 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20506

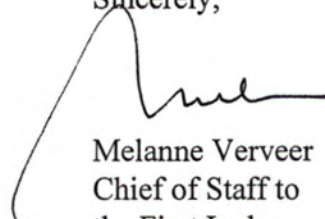
Dear Beverly:

Thank you for your letter and many kind words. The First Lady was honored to meet the distinguished Museum Service award recipients.

I know the reception at the Kennedy Center was a very special event and am truly sorry I could not attend because I got trapped on pressing work here at the office. Thank you for your leadership and all you do.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

@
I too
am sorry
I couldn't
attend



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October 7, 1999

Ms. Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to the First Lady
100 Old Executive Office Building
17th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20502

Dear Melanne:

Thank you so much for all of your work to arrange for the First Lady's presentation of our National Award for Museum Service. The First Lady's presence and interest in museums as valuable community citizens so enriches the meaning of the award. The setting in the White House further underscores the dignity and significance of the work museums do to build livable communities.

The recipients from each of the three museums will have wonderful personal memories from this event and will also be able to share the First Lady's support of their work with a wide community. What is so exceptional about this annual award is that it demonstrates that community organizations of all kinds can strengthen American life by working together. It is so appropriate and meaningful to have Mrs. Clinton's endorsement of this collaborative effort.

I am sorry that you were unable to attend the reception at the Kennedy Center. It, too, added to the elegance and importance of the award program. We hope that you will be able to attend in the future.

Thank you again for helping us create so meaningful an event.

Sincerely,

Beverly Sheppard
Acting Director

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 29, 1999

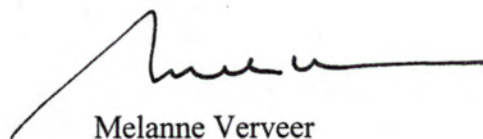
Betsy Stout
5905 Clermont Landing Ct.
Burke, VA 22015

Dear Ms. Stout:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for the beautiful arrangement of flowers and your many kind words.

I know Mrs. Clinton enjoyed the flowers very much. Please accept her appreciation for your thoughtfulness, along with her very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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Betsy Stout
5905 Clermont Landing Ct.
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Dear Hillary,

Thank you so much for all of your concern and efforts in helping the country while First Lady. You have done so much good and have shown a real understanding of the problems that exist for everyone.

I wish you the very best during the rest of your time as First Lady, and also during your campaign for Senator of New York. I really do hope you win, and I know you'll continue to do a great job and look out for others by establishing much needed programs. My very best wishes to you and your family in your new home, also! With appreciation, Betsy Stout

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 29, 1999

Elizabeth Shannon
Director, International Visitors Program
Boston University
25 Lenox Street
Brookline, MA 02146

Dear Liz:

Thank you for your letter and kind invitation for the First Lady to keynote the Irish International Women's Forum inaugural event.

Regrettably, Mrs. Clinton has no plans to be in Ireland in the near future. But please convey her appreciation for the Forum's thoughtfulness, along with her best wishes. Should her scheduling plans change and an opportunity for her to meet with the Forum present itself in the foreseeable future, we will be in touch.

Very best wishes to you in your important work. We continue to be deeply involved with the First Lady's Vital Voice initiative in Northern Ireland. Every small step makes a difference.

Sincerely,

*at all the best
to you*



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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October 13, 1999



Melanne Verveer
Office of the First Lady
Room 100, Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Melanne:

The women of Ireland have just established the Irish International Women's Forum under the auspices of Mary Harney, Deputy Prime Minister. They will have their inaugural event sometime in the coming year.

Because Mrs. Clinton is a member of the IWF, and because she has been so supportive of and involved with Irish women during her year as first lady, the membership of the Irish IWF would be deeply honored if she would consider being the keynote speaker at their inaugural affair. The date of the event would be set to coincide with any date that Mrs. Clinton would be free to come to Ireland.

The Irish women understand Mrs. Clinton's commitment to her campaign in New York and the time constraint that involves. They would, therefore, organize her time in Ireland to be as minimal as she would wish.

Mrs. Clinton's trips to Ireland and her speeches and meetings there have made a profound impact on women in Ireland, both North and South. There is no figure on the international scene more fitting to inaugurate the establishment of this important and influential women's organization.

Gemmy Hussey, the founding president of the Irish IWF, will be writing a formal invitation to Mrs. Clinton and will include some information she might like to see about the organization.

With best personal regards to you, Melanne. I hope things are going well in your life, and I look forward to dinner again in the not too distant future.

Best wishes,

Liz

Elizabeth Shannon

This note came
with the floral
arrangement.

Eric, this
needs a
thank you

January 7, 2000

Dear Mark:

I wish so much that I could be with you and all who have joined you for your swearing in as Director of the Peace Corps.

Both you and the Peace Corps hold special places in my heart. Over the years, it has been a privilege to work with you in advancing our shared commitment to improving the lives of people throughout Central and South America. I will always be grateful for the advice and expertise you extended to me and my staff as USAID assistant administrator for the Americas. The success of our efforts -- from the Summit of the Americas to the Vital Voices Conference in Uruguay, from expanding microenterprise in Nicaragua and Bolivia to providing hurricane relief in Honduras and the Dominican Republic, from improving family planning in Haiti to promoting the peace in El Salvador and Guatemala -- would never have been possible without your steadfast support.

Your keen insights, policy know-how, infectious enthusiasm and sense of humor always enriched our endeavors. I have also been delighted to see firsthand your appreciation for national cultures -- how can I forget your dancing in the streets of Salvador de Bahia to the beat of the Olodum drums? But what has most impressed me has been your deep commitment to helping every man, woman and child of this hemisphere live to his or her greatest God-given potential. I believe you have exemplified the special spirit of the Peace Corps throughout your public service.

Over the years I have seen firsthand the positive contribution Peace Corps volunteers are making around the world. I have sworn in new volunteers in Haiti, and helped send off the first group to Jordan. I have seen Peace Corps work in the villages of Senegal, classrooms in Kazakhstan, and health clinics in Morocco. Through their actions, Peace Corps volunteers are promoting the best of America, our democratic values, and valuable lessons about how we can work and live together peacefully. I can think of no one better suited than you to take over the helm of the Peace Corps and to continue this important work.

This is a wonderful day for the Peace Corps, for our nation, and for all the countries around the globe hosting the Peace Corps volunteers. The President joins me in extending our congratulations and wishing you much success in the months ahead.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary Rodham Clinton