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February 5, 1993

Eli Segal
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

RE: "This is our time...Let us embrace it"

Dear Eli Segal:

We celebrate President Clinton's call to service!

We are carrying out President Clinton's mandate for voluntary service. We ask for the extension of the established concept that incentives to voluntary service (such as vouchers, stipends, loan deferment / cancellation) be available to volunteers with tax-exempt organizations like ours, including those with a spiritual mission so long as their service honors church-state limitations found in the Higher Education Act of 1980 and the National Community Service Act.

We are an Oregon non-profit corporation, a volunteer program comparable to Peace Corps and VISTA, and older than either of them. We have 155 Jesuit Volunteers serving full-time on renewable one-year commitments. We work in the spiritual tradition of the Jesuits. During their year of service, Jesuit Volunteers reflect upon the meaning in their lives of four Values: social justice, community, simple life-style, and spirituality.

Our Volunteers work with the poor and marginalized at 107 non-profit organizations at 19 locations in Alaska, Montana, Oregon and Washington. Jesuit Volunteers live in groups of four to nine in intentional community, in 25 households in these 19 locales. Eighty-five percent of our Volunteers are 21 and 22 years of age, almost two-thirds are women. They have graduated from sixty colleges and universities, 60% of them from Jesuit institutions. Nationally, a total of 450 Jesuit Volunteers are serving as you read this letter. More than 6,000 have already served.

This is once again our time...Let us embrace it!

Sincerely,

Martin Winch
Executive Director

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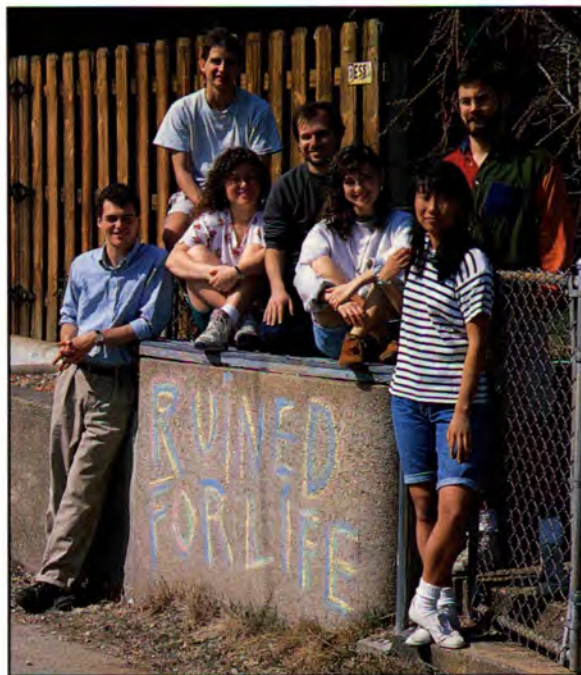
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