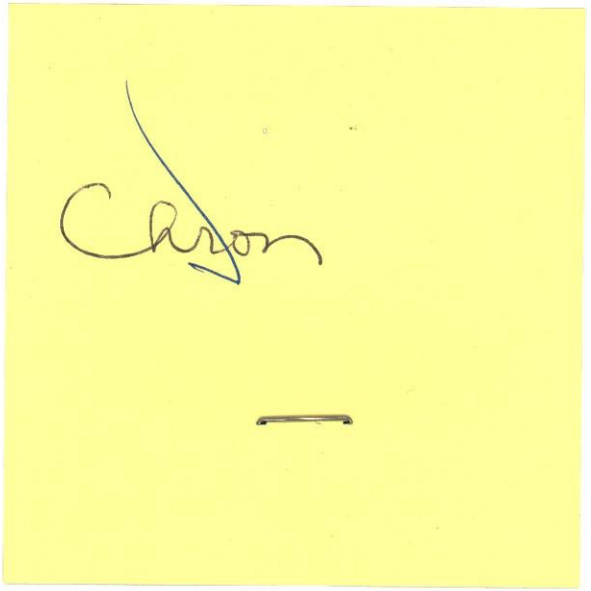

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DATE: 10/8/96

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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October 8, 1996

Warm greetings to the concerned citizens of Orange County, Florida, who are participating in the Orlando Community Conference to Address the Teen Drug Abuse Crisis. I am sorry that I'm not able to join you in person, but I'm pleased that General Barry McCaffrey, my Drug Policy Director, is able to represent me.

In the last few years, our nation has made significant progress against drug abuse and related crime. The number of Americans who use illegal drugs has been reduced by 50 percent since 1979, and the number using cocaine has dropped 30 percent since 1992. However, drug abuse among young people has gone up. American youth are increasingly using illegal drugs because they are ignorant of the facts about addiction and the potency of these drugs. They are also increasingly willing to accept drug use by their peers, even in school.

In April, I announced the 1996 National Drug Control Strategy, which describes new directions and initiatives to confront the ever-changing challenges of drug abuse and trafficking. The Strategy's number one objective is to motivate America's youth to reject illegal drugs and substance abuse. I invite every American -- every parent, every teacher, every law enforcement official, every religious leader, every young person, every community leader -- to join our national campaign to save our youth. Working together we can make a difference and reverse youth drug trends. And this effort begins with dedicated individuals like you.

Best wishes for a very productive conference. Your concern and commitment will make a difference, and your work has my full support.

Bill Clinton

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Debi Schiff
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1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Debi,

I am pleased to announce the ~~First Annual~~ Benefit Dinner "Walking in The Shadows"to be held on October 20, 1996 at the Roosevelt Hotel in Los Angeles, California. This dinner honors the people, who work hard to help improve the lives of oth

Kelly Stone - Executive Dir
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Our President is no stranger t
1995 President Bill Clinton s
Inaugural Hope Ball of Plane

I am requesting a proclamati
presentation and reading of t
program activities.

In service for the community,

Brenda Pierce,
Community Liaison

FYI
This is Sharon Stone's sister. Planet Hope is a good organization

Jim -
Can we do message saying nice things about Kelly Stone + Planet Hope?

Dr. Kenneth L. Dupuy
420 Hillmont Ave.
Longview, Texas 75601
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Honorable Bill Clinton
President, White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

During your visit this past week i
subjects were covered. One in which one of our membership placed before you through members of your traveling staff was "Can we count on our Government getting our 'NGO' out of HARMS WAY in Iraq?" The response was an immediate 'yes' from those with you, and speaking for you and the administration. I was in Washington earlier that week involved; one on one conversations with various Administration spokesmen. Each gave the same response, "yes". Old Congressional and Senatorial friends, still in Congress, in both parties, sought for us information and assurance from the Administration on the safety and help of our peoples escape from Iraq. They were assured by State, Defense, A.I.D., etc. that all our people would be safely evacuated out of Iraq by Friday, the 25th of September, no later than Saturday, September 26th. Both dates have passed, they are not out. Our Congressional friends inform us the White House and State have put the "brakes" on the process. All the proper papers have been completed by our inturned peoples in Iraq. They are in life threatening positions. They had the promise of our Government that when they went into Iraq, they would be moved out with official U.S. Government personnel. The Army is gone, A.I.D. is gone, only trusting volunteers remain; and they remain unprotected, in HARMS WAY!! Is there no truth in our Government promises? Can volunteers not be protected like others. Can you not become personally involved as was suggested in your recent trip to East Texas. Please use your influence and power to come to the aide of these people. State Department has complete and total information relating to these endangered humanbeings who await you to fulfill the promise of your Administration. It is God's will to help them. It is within your power.

In the name and strength of our Lord,

Dr. Kenneth L. Dupuy

September 17, 1996

The Honorable Strom Thurmond
217 Russell SOB
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Thurmond,

Our friends in Iraq, three hundred (300) of them, are in HARMS WAY. The situation in Northern Iraq is critical to Pro-American Iraqs. We have discussed this subject in past conversations and letters, however now the situation is most critical and worsening by the hour. Our workers inform us that Iraq troops and secret police are hunting down individuals who have openly supported American Aid Workers among the Kurds of Northern Iraq. The President has stated he will do everything possible to help these people. We are informed Cabinet level personnel are meeting this date to make judgments on the Kurd issue. I enclose the names and locations of a few people who have been very active with our American Aid doctors, technicians and support personnel. They love our Country and support our national interest. I urgently request you utilize your support and influence to encourage the President and our Government to obtain visas and transportation vehicles for these people and remove them from out of HARMS WAY. I am confident God will reward your efforts. My warmest and most personal regards.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kenneth L. Dupuy

Enclosure

P.S. I shall be in D.C. September 23 - 25. Hopefully we may have the opportunity for a short visit during this time frame.

I must note that our Government had promised to take care of our people in such a case as exists. What has happened is the military has moved out, moved its people, the A.I.D. people, the O.F.D.A. people and abandoned our people - being mostly those people who were actually on the ground in place doing the hands-on activities. They feel deserted. We must help them immediately. They will attempt to flee by foot over the mountains Wednesday the 25th if help does not come before then!

John Breaux, Sam Nunn, Bennett Johnston, Jesse Helms, Trent Lott, W.B. Hutchinson
D.O.D., State, AID, Thad Cochran, W. Ford, R.J. Perry, C. Mack

Kurds in Northern Iraq

Kurds largest ethnic group in world without ever having had their own country, 25 - 30 million. Turkey = 20 m, Iran = 5 m, Iraq = 3 m, Syria = 1 m.

4/91 - Gulf War conclusion The President Bush Administration urged Iraqis Kurds to rebel. The Kurds took that to mean that U.S. would support. They overthrew Republican Guard and Iraqi army. Then Iraqi helicopter gun ships entered and poison gas attacks, killing numerous people.

This is forbidden country for Christian Foreign Missionaries. We entered with emergency medical teams to process the Kurds returning from Turkey, set up in camp of 20,000 returnees and treated be tween 300 and 500 a day, a total of 30,000 in outpatient clinic. Then resettled them in their destroyed villages, (6,000 destroyed by Saddam Hussein). Then we started mobile medical clinics, 16 villages in these clinics we treated 38,000 patients. When security problems caused us to stop the mobile clinics, we initiated "Village health centers" in 8 villages. These use a local Kurd with medical training experience to treat minor cases and to refer the more serious ones. Currently they see 2,000 a month, we furnish medical supplies and supervision by our doctors. In addition to this we operate a "Malnourished Baby Feeding Center" in Zakho for infants who will die without food supplements.

Our doctors discovered that 88% of the patients treated is Mobile Clinic were sick from water borne illnesses, typhoid, hepatitis, cholera, worms, ad chronic diahrrea. Thus we got into the job of providing clean water. Bought a drilling rig in Turkey, 5 weeks to drill a well 400 ft. deep. Later the U.S. Agency For Internation Development bought us 2 state of the art rigs to drill for water. In some cases the water found is not pure. Now to 12/95, we had drilled 130 wells, supplying clean water to 300,000 people also with projects with surface water, we did 20 projects giving water to 20,000. Now there is a continuing need for more and water purification equipment.

These people have no seeds, no way to distribute wheat, rice, potatoes, and veg. seeds to 10,000 families X 8 = 80,000 people in the immediate area where we were working. They have no flour mills to mill it with. A rebuilt water powered mill would cost $500 - $600. We built 34 of them which provides milling for 80,000 people.

As you can see these people attempt to help themselves but are limited in what they can do. Our people must leave for now. **"BUT"** in time new teams need to be brought back to restore these people to the civilized human race and given the opportunity to live in peace with themselves and their neighbors.

September 17, 1996

Two brothers with families - all together 12 persons

Bayan Hassan Ali
Preference Category: F2A
Priority date: 1-19-95
Foreign State Chargeability: Iraq
U. S. Embassy/Consulate: Homeless Case
Traveling Applicants:

NAME	D.O.B.	P.O.B.
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work in Main Zakho Hospital

Sadik Amed Issa and family - Mayor of Batofa City in Zakho district

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Director of National and International Relations

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September 30, 1996

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Honorable Bill Clinton
President, White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

During your visit this past week in Texas (Sept. 25-26) numerous subjects were covered. One in which one of our membership placed before you through members of your traveling staff was "Can we count on our Government getting our 'NGO' out of HARMS WAY in Iraq?" The response was an immediate 'yes' from those with you, and speaking for you and the administration. I was in Washington earlier that week involved one on one conversations with various Administration

Noach Dear on Netanyahu

NOACH DEAR
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THE COUNCIL
OF
THE CITY OF NEW YOR

September 25, 1996

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Send to NSC for appropriate handling?

Yes ✓

No

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20

Dear Mr. President:

I want to report to y
you told me regardin
outsider that it looks

One of the things tha
United States and to
hold no animosity to

He also made clear that he will abide by all relevant peace agreements already in place. Please understand that he was elected because he opposed the previous government's peace policies. His support could fall out from under him, as there has already been criticism from people who backed his election regarding his meeting with Yassir Arafat and his abiding by previous agreements. We need to support him.

In the United States, the Jews who supported him are beginning to show disappointment with his policies and may step up the criticism. I told him I would work with poeple here to dispel some of the pressure. It is important from your perspective to understand the degree of help the Prime Minister needs from you.

Prime Minister Netanyahu is someone who comes from the diplomatic corps and understands how to work with others, including Arab countries. He did not rise from the typical channels of party, government and politics. He understands the need to compromise and can work with the Arabs' concerns in mind. Syria, however, must be challenged on the way it treats dignitaries such as Secretary of State Christopher, on the war of nerves it is conducting through its troop buildup,

and on the continuing attacks by Hezbollah.

This may be the time for new blood on the Administration's team involved in negotiations to move the peace process along. Regarding Prime Minister Netanyahu's team, some of his staff members have been tainted by the media as hard-liners but most are actually reasonable and understanding. And while the Prime Minister relies on them for advice, he reminds me of the way you govern in that the final decision rests with him.

Because I have been involved in these issues for such a long time, I understand the Arabs' issues and they operate. I have always worked on bringing people together and I am available to help, even with the Arab countries as well.

Sincerely,

Noach Dear

In light of recent developments in Israel
I would love to take a shot in trying
to resolve the issues
It took a nixon for china and a Reagan for
V.S.S.K maybe I can help
Regards
Noach

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FAX TO: Todd Stern
Staff Secretary and Assistant to the President
The White House

FROM: Matt Gerson

DATE: 3 October 1996

CC: Cindy Gardner

Attached is a copy of the letter seeking a "letter of commendation" from the President to MCA/Universal CEO Frank Biondi. I have also attached a copy of Frank's bio. Please let me know if you need anything else to facilitate the request.

Regards.

FAX 1 of 5
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pls. prepare letter for Biondi

Gerson is a good friend of mine. pls let me see it. Todd

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Michelle
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AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR THE WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SC

September 20, 1996

Office of Presidential Letters
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC

To whom it may concern:

The purpose of this letter is to request two letters of commendation from the President to be given to honorees at the New York Gala of the American Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science.

Our honorees for the evening are Frank and Carol Biondi, for their tireless and generous commitment to many educational and social service institutions. We will also be presenting a special award to Christopher Reeve in recognition of his outstanding role as a spokesperson for the need for basic research and the need for a public/private initiative in support of such research.

Frank Biondi, Chairman and CEO, MCA Inc., and his wife Carol have supported a variety of New York institutions over the years including Leake and Watts Services, a child care agency and the Museum of TV & Radio. For the past five years, Mr. Biondi has served as a Trustee of St. Luke's Roosevelt Hospital, serves on the Board of Governors of the Ethical Culture-Fieldston Schools and as a Trustee of Princeton University. He is also on the Board of Visitors of the Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism. Mrs. Biondi has served on the Board of Leake and Watts Services for over twenty years. She is also a member of the Board of Children Now and has been an active volunteer in her community.

Christopher Reeve hardly needs an introduction for he contributed so much to the success of the Democratic National Convention. No one can doubt the genuine quality of his comments nor of the heroic strength it took for him to appear live on camera. We will be giving Mr. Reeve a special award in recognition of his role as an advocate of the need for investment in basic scientific research. What you may not know is the relationship between Mr. Reeve and the Weizmann Institute of Science.

The Weizmann Institute of Science, located in Rehovot, Israel, is a world-renowned research facility with 2,400 scientists engaged in more than 900 projects. One of the Institute's major areas of research is in spinal cord injury and the ability of the human body to regenerate nerve tissue. Professor Michal Schwartz, who has visited with Mr. Reeve and keeps him apprised of her research, has made some startling discoveries. I include a copy of an AP press release giving more detailed information.

51 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10010 212/779-2500 • FAX: 212/779-3209

Mr. Reeve's mother and brother visited the Institute this summer and returned filled with new-found hope and awestruck by the scale of promising research currently underway at Weizmann. A large percentage of research at the Institute is focused on cancer, auto-immune diseases, the brain, including Alzheimer's disease and stroke and research in environmental issues.

Mr. Reeve will not be able to attend the event, but will be videotaping a message. Dana Reeve will accept the award on his behalf.

I think you will agree with me that both Mr. and Mrs. Biondi and Christopher Reeve deserve recognition for their commitment to the welfare of this nation. We at Weizmann would be most appreciative of those letters of commendation.

The Gala will be held at the Waldorf on Sunday, October 20, 1996; we usually attract more than 1,000 people. The printed program for the evening will have to go to press on October 12. If the letters can be received at the Weizmann office by that date, we will include them in the printed program as well as read them at the Gala. If not, we will read them to our honorees that evening.

If you consent to providing these two letters, I should like to request that you send them to:

American Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science
51 Madison Avenue
New York, NY 10010
Attn: Tova Friedler

Thank you very much for your kind and immediate response.

Sincerely,

Andrew R. Morse

Andrew R. Morse
Chairman, New York Region

MCA INC.

FRANK J. BIONDI, JR.
Biography

Frank J. Biondi, Jr. was appointed Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of MCA INC. on April 23, 1996. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the Seagram Company Ltd.

Mr. Biondi previously served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Viacom Inc. from July 1987 to January 1996.

Prior to joining Viacom, Mr. Biondi was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Coca-Cola Television from November 1986. In addition, he was Executive Vice President of the Entertainment Business Sector of The Coca-Cola Company, and of its predecessor company, Columbia Pictures Industries, Inc. from January 1985 to July 1987.

Previously, Mr. Biondi served as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Home Box Office, Inc., a subsidiary of Time Inc., in 1984. He also was Vice President of Time Inc. from 1982 to 1984. He joined Home Box Office in 1978.

Prior to his affiliation with Home Box Office, Mr. Biondi held positions with Children's Television Workshop, TelePrompTer Corporation and the predecessors of Shearson Smith Barney and Prudential Securities.

Mr. Biondi currently serves on the Boards of Directors of Leake and Watts Services, The Museum of Television and Radio, the International Council of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences (NATAS), Central Park

(more)

Conservancy and Vail Resorts, Inc. He also serves on the Board of Governors of The Ethical Culture-Fieldston Schools, the Board of Trustees of Princeton University, the Board of Fellows of Claremont University Center and Graduate School, and on the Board of Visitors of Columbia's Graduate School of Journalism.

Mr. Biondi is a member of the President's Export Council, which advises the President on matters related to export performance and encourages export expansion. In addition, Mr. Biondi is a member of the Board of Directors of The Bank of New York and the American Health Foundation. He also is a member of the Northwestern University School of Speech Advisory Council and a founding member of the University of Southern California's Board of Councilors of the School of Cinema-Television.

Mr. Biondi received a B.A. from Princeton University in 1966, and, in 1968, earned an M.B.A. from Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration.

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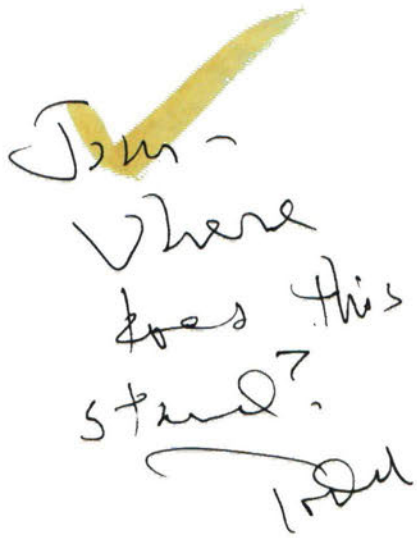
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September 9, 1996

MEMORANDUM TO LEON PANETTA

FROM: DORIS MATSUI

RE: FILIPINO VETERANS PROCLAMATION

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REQUEST: For the President to sign a Proclamation recognizing and honoring the service of Filipino World War II Veterans. Resolutions were passed in both the House and Senate.

BACKGROUND: During World War II, members of the Philippine Commonwealth Army were called into the service on behalf of the United States Army. One of the battles fought was the battle at Bataan, in which 60,000 Filipino servicemen lost their lives.

In 1946, Congress passed the Rescission Act of 1946. According to Senator Dan Inouye, this act "deemed the service performed by these Filipino veterans as nonactive service, thus denying them the right to receive veterans'benefits. In addition, the 1946 Act limited the benefits Filipino veterans received from service-connected disabilities and death compensation to 50% of what was received by their American counterparts."

The Filipino Veterans have been enlisting the help of legislators and many members of their Filipino American community to correct the Rescission Act by proposing the Filipino Veterans Equity Act.

The Filipino American Community has strong ties to their homeland, many making annual visits. The plight of these veterans has become a rallying cry for Filipino Americans, many of whom have been helpful to this Administration.

Leaders of this community are now very aware of the budget constraints of funding their proposal. In conversations with their leaders, they have indicated that Senator Inouye is also cautioning them and telling them to lower their expectations. However, the energy and emotion around this issue still continues, and I believe that it would be helpful if the President issue a proclamation simply recognizing the heroism and service of these Filipino Veterans.

ACTION: Photo Op in the Oval Office with the President signing the Proclamation surrounded by Filipino veterans and community leaders. The ideal date is early October.

A signing on the road in California would also be terrific.

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Schedule Proposal--Revised 9/24/96

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TO: Stephanie Streett
Deputy Assistant to the President &
Director of Scheduling

Anne Walley
Deputy Assistant to the President &
Director of Scheduling

FROM: Alexis M. Herman
Assistant to the President
Director of Public Liaison

John Hilley
Assistant to the President
Director for Legislative Affairs

REQUEST: For the President to sign a Proclamation recognizing the Filipino Veterans of WWII.

PURPOSE: To recognize the contributions that these veterans have made to the United States. To demonstrate our respect and understanding of their actions to the Filipino American community.

BACKGROUND: In 1941, President Roosevelt issued a military order calling members of the Philippine Commonwealth Army into service with the U.S. armed forces. Later, Congress issued the Rescission Act of 1946 deeming the service of these men as nonactive. Thus denying them not only benefits, but also recognition for their valiant service. It is an action that continues to outrage the Filipino American community today.

This past spring, both the House and the Senate passed resolutions asking that the President issue a proclamation honoring the service of the Filipino Veterans--many now living in the United States--that fought alongside the United States in WWII.

Swift action is needed in this matter as the Filipino American community becomes increasingly angry and vocal that action has not been taken by the White House.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION:	None
DATE AND TIME:	Early October
BRIEFING TIME:	5 minutes
DURATION:	15 minutes
LOCATION:	Oval office or While traveling in California
PARTICIPANTS:	5-7 Filipino WWII Veterans and Filipino American community leaders. 2-3 Members of Congress
OUTLINE OF EVENTS:	TBD
REMARKS REQUIRED:	Talking points provided. Briefing by the Office of Public Liaison.
MEDIA COVERAGE:	Pool spray; specialty press.
FIRST LADY'S ATTENDANCE:	No
VICE PRESIDENT'S ATTENDANCE:	No
MRS. GORE'S ATTENDANCE:	No
CONTACT:	Doris Matsui ::-62930
RECOMMENDED BY:	Office of Public Liaison Office of Legislative Affairs National Security Council Department of Veteran Affairs
SOURCE OF PAYMENT:	N/A
ORIGIN OF THIS PROPOSAL:	White House generated event

TO: TODD STERN
EVELYN LIEBERMAN

FROM: JIM DORSKIND DATE: October 1, 1996

COMMEMORATIVE PROCLAMATION REQUEST

Commemoration Title: National Student Voter Education Day

Commemoration Date(s): October 2, 1996

Requestor Name(s): Alexis Herman and Brian Scott

Organization: OPL

Request Date: October 1, 1996

Congressional Support: None

Contact Telephone Number: 6-6287

History: None

NOTES: This election season marks the 25 anniversary of suffrage for eighteen-year-olds, and this is the second commemoration of NSVED, although no proclamation was issued in 1992. As part of the observance of NSVED then, 30,000 students registered to vote in conjunction with activities on 44 campuses in 21 states. Candidates from across the political spectrum spoke at participating schools. According to the Center for Policy Alternatives (which describes itself as a non-profit organization that promotes progressive public policy), proclamations have been received from at least 20 governors, and the observance is supported by a variety of colleges, universities, and education and government leaders.

Because the observance is consistent with the President's efforts to increase young people's interest and participation in government and their communities, I recommend that we do a PROCLAMATION.

Please indicate approval or disapproval of a PROCLAMATION, or another recommendation:

EL_____ TDS DK

10-1-96

October 1, 1996

MEMORANDUM FOR Jim Dorskind
Special Assistant to the President and
Director of Correspondence and
Presidential Messages

FROM: Alexis Herman
Assistant to the President and
Director, Office of Public Liaison

Brian Scott
Office of Public Liaison

SUBJECT: National Student Voter Education Day

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1. Request a Presidential Proclamation be issued for National Student Voter Education Day (NSVED). NSVED will take place Wednesday, October 2, 1996.

2. The 1996 election season marks the 25th anniversary of suffrage rights for American citizens 18 years old. NSVED is a nationwide effort involving students, Secretaries of State, student government associations, and university and college presidents. The goal is to promote youth participation in government.

3. The point of contact for this office is Brian Scott, 66287.

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NATIONAL STUDENT VOTER EDUCATION DAY
October 2, 1996

On October 2, 1996 the Center for Policy Alternatives will be sponsoring National Student Voter Education Day (NSVED). The 1996 election season will mark the 25th anniversary of suffrage rights for youth at the age of eighteen. Despite this milestone, young people usually vote at half the rate of the general population. NSVED has the potential to dramatically impact the 1996 elections by infusing the electorate with the voices of hundreds of thousands of students.

What is National Student Voter Education Day?

National Student Voter Education Day is a nationwide effort involving students, Secretaries of State, university and college presidents and Student Government Association Presidents to ensure that the voices of youth are heard in unprecedented numbers in November. NSVED will combine issue education and voter registration on campuses across the country to remove registration obstacles and educate students on the issues.

NSVED '92 Has An Impact

The first NSVED in 1992 was a huge success, with activities on 44 campuses in 21 states where more than 30,000 students were registered. Candidates from across the political spectrum spoke at participating schools, students responded by voting in larger numbers -- forty-three percent of 18-24 year olds voted in 1992, a 7% increase from 1988. 1992 was the first year that turnout for 18-24 year olds has risen since 1972.

How National Student Voter Education Day Works

CPA and the NSVED Advisory Committee will actively encourage the participation of four year universities, colleges and non-traditional campuses. Governors, mayors, college and university presidents will be asked to sign proclamations declaring the day. Candidates will speak at forums and rallies, while concerts, events and tables will attract thousands of students to register to vote. The Center for Policy Alternatives and a coalition of student organizations will register students and distribute bi-partisan, multi-issue education materials to spark greater political dialogue among youth and to foster informed involvements in politics.

National Student Voter Education Day - *October 2, 1996*

ENDORSEMENT LIST (as of 9/1/96)

(Does not include all of the participating campuses and organizations)

Secretaries of State
Eric Clark, Secretary of State, (MS)
Pete Cenarrusa, Secretary of State, (ID)
John T. Willis, Secretary of State, (MD)
Rebecca Cook, Secretary of State, (MO)
Mike Cooney, Secretary of State, (MT)
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Ken Hechler, Secretary of State, (WV)
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Voter Education

Campus groups representing the full range of issues and political persuasions will join together to educate their peers and expel the notion that the politicians are not addressing the issues most important to them. Each group will be provided with a voter guide to help them dispense relevant information on how each candidate stands on the issues. According to the *Youth Voices* study, young people identify the lack of quality voter education as one of the biggest obstacles standing between them and the voting booth. NSVED will guarantee that the concerns and dreams of young people are addressed.

Voter Registration

To ensure that young people will, in fact, be able to register to vote, Secretaries of State, as chiefs of election officials in most states, have been asked to embark on massive voter registration drives on campuses across the country. While thousands of people are being registered for the first time by the motor voter bill, many students are not registered at their current residence, have been purged from voter files, or are not registered at all. With the participation of these statewide officials, NSVED participants will have access and the information necessary to significantly impact their voter registration efforts by getting through the registration obstacles faced by thousands of students nationwide.

Center for Policy Alternatives

The Center for Policy Alternatives is a twenty year old public policy think-tank focusing on innovative state policy. We serve as a non-profit, non-partisan resource center to state-level officials and advocates. Our mission is to impact national policy by promoting and building support for the most cutting edge policy leaders and policy ideas in the 50 states. In 1992 the Center for Policy Alternatives partnered with the National Civic League to organize the first NSVED.

For more information contact Jehmu Greene at (202) 956-5125.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DATE: October 1, 1996

NOTE FOR: Secretary Robert Rubin

The President has reviewed the attached, and it is forwarded to you for your:

Information ☐

Action ☒

The President's note --
'Ask Laura & Rubin to review this, sort out and advise as to policy and cost -- looks interesting'

Thank you.

Staff Secretary
(x6-2702)

cc:

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN
9-30-96

(D) **Department of Education news advisory on "Crossroads Cafe."** Via Leon. Riley and public and private sector partners introduced this new 26-episode video series airing on PBS this fall. The situation comedy follows the lives of 6 people of various ethnic backgrounds and is the first nationally televised English instruction program. It was designed to address the learning needs of over 34 million adults with serious literacy deficiencies, and it will air weekly.

(E) **Wendy Smith memo on Family and Medical Leave Act roll-out.** Wendy forwards clips for your review.

(F) **Articles forwarded by Jere Glover, Chief Counsel for Advocacy, SBA.** Jere forwards articles about his work for entrepreneurs at SBA and the recent Governors Conference on Small Business, as well as a memo from Neal Smith on tax changes preferable to the Republican proposed across the board tax cut.

(G) **"Awash in dreams of success: N.H. women hope soap business aids climb off welfare," Boston Globe, September 16.** Via Kitty Higgins. She also forwarded this article on a NH welfare to work program to Carol Rasco and Alexis Herman.

t to Ann Lewis

ask Lauren + Bruce to review this, contact and advise as to policy & work → welfare interaction

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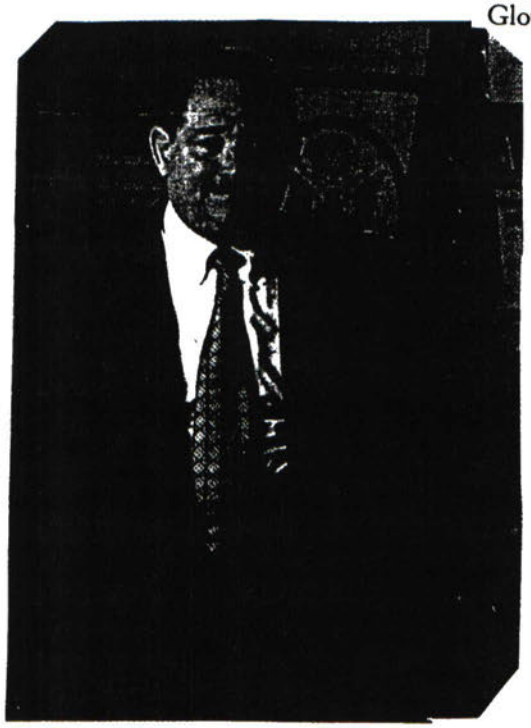
SPEAKING OUT

Small-business advocates go to bat for entrepreneurs.



Time for action: *The SBA's Jere Glover encourages business owners to get involved: "Ignoring government won't make it go away."*

PHOTOGRAPHY BY MARK LEES

■ AN ENTREPRENEUR GOES TO WASHINGTON

Of the approximately 10,000 registered lobbyists in Washington, fewer than a dozen work full time for small business. As the Small Business Administration's Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Jere Glover is fighting for entrepreneurs.

Back in the 1980s, while building two biotechnology companies with annual sales exceeding $3 million, Glover saw firsthand how government can help or hinder small business. Both businesses had received grants from the SBA's Small Business Innovation Research Program. But he sold one of his inventions to a Canadian company because it could get product approval faster than from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Working within government, Glover is the eyes and ears of small business for President Clinton. When a well-intentioned proposal creates problems for small business, Glover charges into the fray. One recent bankruptcy proposal, for instance, required companies to reorganize within 90 days of filing bankruptcy. "We found out at the last minute and got the law changed," says Glover, "because most small businesses need more than three months to reorganize successfully."

Small business stabilizes the U.S. economy. "Because there is [not a substantial] small-business sector in most other countries, they feel economic downturns more acutely," says Glover. Fostering a climate that allows entrepreneurs to start businesses—and sometimes fail—keeps our economy vibrant. "In Europe, there is a stigma to trying and failing in business," says Glover. "There is also twice as much unemployment. Many successful U.S. small-business owners have failed at least once. In America, you can bounce back, start another business and be very successful." But this is possible only if there is an effective voice for small business.

Since one person can't be that voice all alone, Glover devoted much of last year to creating the next generation of advocates through the White House Conference on Small Business (WHCSB). As deputy chief counsel at the 1980 WHCSB and a delegate at the 1986 conference, Glover knew he wanted to make some changes for the businesspeople attending the 1995 conference. He sought greater involvement from the White House and the administration—and achieved that goal. President Clinton, Vice President Gore and four cabinet secretaries attended the conference; the president also met with delegates at the White House; and the commissioner of the IRS spent an afternoon answering delegates' questions.

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"Having been the deputy under Carter and having worked closely with the Reagan and Bush administrations, I can say how much difference it makes when a president is advocating for small business," says Glover. Indeed, in just 12 months, more than half the 60 final recommendations from the conference have been acted on.

Small business is a bipartisan concern, Glover contends. "Unfortunately, for many people [in government], small business is their second priority," he adds. "A lot of Democrats support small business—unless it's in conflict with labor. A lot of Republicans support small business—unless it's in conflict with big business. As a result, we're nobody's first priority." Glover aims to change that . . . one issue at a time.

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SPOTLIGHT

Conference seeks to empower small businesses

Organizers expect about 500 people at the event

By MARK MENSHEHA

They are printers, investors and bakers.

Others are engineers, consultants and bankers.

Next week, however, these various professionals will come together at the Governor's Conference on Small Business in pursuit of one goal: enhancing the operating climate for small businesses in Texas.

"(This conference) is important because it gives small-business people a chance to be heard on what the issues are," says David Worsham, president of Ventura Business Partners, a San Antonio-based small-business development company. "Often, as small-business people, we don't take the time to make our views heard. This gives us an opportunity to be involved and participate in the process."

Organizers of the Governor's Conference say they are expecting about 500 small-business

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PHOTO BY ROBERTA BARNES

Members of the organizing committee for the Governor's Conference on Small Business.

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owners and employees to converge on The Wyndham Hotel May 16 and 17 for the conference. The event is being billed as an opportunity for small-business owners to debate and assign priorities to the key issues affecting small businesses in Texas. The priorities established through the discussions will become the basis for creating a small-business agenda for the 1997 Legislative session.

While it's the small-business representatives who are at the heart of the Governor's Conference, the event also has drawn the recognition of — and response from — both federal and state elected officials.

Gov. George W. Bush is expected to attend the conference on its opening day. U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-Texas) is expected to attend the conference on its second day. Also scheduled to attend the event are numerous state senators and representatives, and members of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

According to organizers of the conference, this year's event was planned with several goals in mind.

The conference will allow small-business representatives from across the state to meet with one another to discuss successes — and difficulties — that they may be having doing business. It also will provide these small-business workers with access to the legislators that will be setting the rules for how business can be done in the future in Texas.

Furthermore, organizers are trying to give small-business owners an opportunity to communicate with some representatives of Texas' larger companies who are expected to attend the conference.

"By coming together, (attendees) can share experiences and ideas," says David Pinkus, president of Austin-based Small Business United of Texas. "That's what a conference like this does. It brings people from different businesses and different geographic regions together."

Small Business United works, in part, with state agencies on behalf of small businesses across the state.

Much of the interaction at the Governor's Conference will occur at the various meetings planned for the event. Four break-out sessions are scheduled to be held over the course of the two-day gathering. During each of these sessions, two panel discussions and one educational seminar will be held regarding issues of importance to Texas small businesses.

Conference attendees will be able to sit in on the discussion or seminar of their choice during each of the break-out sessions.

The educational seminars are scheduled to include presentations on practices for small business growth, the impact of new technologies on small business and competitive employee benefit programs. Panel discussions are scheduled to be held on taxation, historically underutilized business issues, labor/employment issues and regulatory issues.

Nationally syndicated columnist Jane Applegate will be involved in the conference's educational session on the impact of technology on small business. She also will participate in a panel on regulatory reform. Applegate says there has never been a better time to be a small business than now. Lenders have begun to recognize small-business owners as solid credit risks, making access to capital easier for these entrepreneurs than it was several years ago, she adds.

But problems do still remain, Applegate says. Many small businesses still feel burdened by excessive paperwork in complying with state and federal operating regulations. Other small businesses are struggling to employ some of the executives from big businesses who have fallen victim to corporate layoffs.

"Small-business owners have access now to these fabulously talented corporate executives who are being laid off," Applegate says.

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— Jane Applegate

Delegates to White House Conference make their presence felt

By MARK MENSHEHA

Next week's Governor's Conference on Small Business could bring about a sense of *deja vu* for a group of Texas small-business owners — if everything goes according to their plans.

Among the 500 small-business owners expected to attend the statewide conference are delegates to last summer's White House Conference on Small Business. That 4-day conference in Washington, D.C., helped establish a small-business agenda for Congress, and is being regarded as one of the most successful conferences in the event's 16-year history.

Now, many of those small-business owners who attended that conference as Texas delegates are looking to contribute to the agenda for the 1997 state Legislature just as they did with the federal government's agenda last summer.

"Things can happen because of small-business interests," says Linda Valdez, executive vice president of **Regnier Valdez & Associates**, a San Antonio marketing, advertising and public relations firm. "We can make a difference, but you have to take an interest and garner some support."

Valdez was one of the 20 delegates from San Antonio who attended last summer's White House Conference. Between June 11 and June 14, nearly 2,000 U.S. small-business representatives gathered in Washington, D.C., to discuss the standing of small businesses in the nation's economy.

Texas' small-business interests were represented by 104 delegates to that conference. These delegates will be recognized for their small-business efforts at the Governor's Conference next week. They also will be given an update on the impact that their recommendations to Congress are continuing to have on federal legislation.

Clarke Mosley, chairman and chief executive officer of **Phoenix Staffing and Consulting Services** Inc., says more than half of the 104 Texas delegates to the White House Conference are expected to participate in the Governor's Conference in some form. Many of the delegates from San Antonio have been involved with the organizing committee for the conference. Other White House Conference delegates have agreed to fill positions such as moderators during the conference.

Mosley adds that delegates to White House conferences prior to last year's also have expressed an interest in being involved in the Governor's Conference.

"A lot of them are taking leadership roles that are very active," Mosley says.

Jere Glover, chief counsel of the U.S. Small Business Administration's Office of Advocacy, says about one-third of the White House Conference recommendations made last summer already have been enacted in some form by the federal government, and more action should be on the way.

"This has been our most successful conference ever," Glover says. "I knew that when President Clinton asked how we were doing on the White House (Conference) recommendations last August that these issues were not going to go away. A president had never done that before."

The Office of Advocacy traditionally has monitored the interests of small-business groups in Washington, D.C. This year, that includes following the recommendations made by the White House Conference delegates through Congress.

Glover says the regulatory reform recommendations made by the White House Conference delegates have been the most significant suggestions enacted by Congress so far. Recommendations on capital formation, human capital and community development made by the White House delegates also have had a direct impact on congressional activity this year.

Recommendations still requiring legislative activity, Glover says, are those suggestions regarding the reduction of paperwork required of small businesses and easing the tax burden on small businesses.

TAX MEMO FROM NEAL SMITH

Although most people, including both small business persons and individuals with modest investments, do not generally believe an across-the-board tax cut is good economic policy, recent well-advertised Republican promises to cut taxes across the board by 15% and "end the IRS as we know it" have resonated very favorably with those people who think Democrats do not want to make changes in the tax code. Since fear of external forces and lack of a recession are not overriding issues in 1996, the number of voters who view tax policy as a high priority this year is very significant. Proposals made so far by the President do not respond adequately to the demand.

At recent speaking engagements and conferences, I have found a favorable reception when I say, "Across the board tax cuts both increase the deficit and lock in unfair provisions in the law; but (1) tax reform which encourages investments and (2) which encourages the transfer of stale assets to someone who will use them better, reduces deficits. The first objective for any revenue we can spare is to make taxes more fair and to both reform and simplify the tax code."

Examples of tax changes which are highly favored and preferable to the Republican proposals and which would to some extent finance themselves by encouraging taxpayer behavior which would both increase jobs and increase tax revenues include the following:

(1) Graduate the rates for "C" Corporations so that they reach the top bracket at $300,000 or more instead of at $75,000. For liability and loan eligibility reasons, when several persons pool money to establish a business or several family members operate a business, they must set up a Chapter C Corporation. Usually some investors are not active enough in the business to justify avoiding double taxation by declaring salaries to offset profits, and, besides, they need to build equity and reduce debts. To reach the top bracket at $300,000 instead of $75,000 is calculated by the Joint Committee on Taxation as costing $17 billion over five years; but they allow no offset for changing taxpayer behavior or encouraging more new business.

The national Chamber of Commerce even opposed the present inadequate graduation when it was established in 1981 and wanted all reduction in taxes be applied to the one rate, but the overwhelming majority of delegates to the White House Small Business Conference in 1980 favored graduation as a very high priority. The conference in 1981 reduced the graduation to such a low figure in order to reduce the top rate by 1% more. It was calculated to have the same revenue impact. As Chairman of

the House Small Business Committee, I and other members pushed hard for the more significant graduation, but it was reduced in conference.

(2) Allow for a 100% deduction for premiums for health insurance. Although the self-employed are singled out as those treated unfairly, it also includes many others who do not have employer-paid health insurance. They feel strongly about this.

(3) Depreciation rates which match the reduction in value of the capital assets. For example: after the depreciation period for depreciating trucks, pickups, and automobiles used in business was increased so much, the remaining basis is more than the remaining value and the number of vehicles rented instead of owned skyrocketed. Even though it costs small businesses who take good care of their vehicles more to rent, they feel they must rent in order to secure the deduction for the full cost of vehicle expenses. It not only does not make business sense to practically force taxpayers to incur extra expense by renting instead of owning, but it also increases the tax deductions for vehicles and thus reduces tax revenue. The same applies to buildings and numerous pieces of equipment which are rented only because the tax code virtually forced them to do so.

(4) Index the basis on property held more than two years and sold for more than the taxpayer paid for it. It simply is not fair for someone who has held some stock for one or two years to pay the same rate on a gain which contains virtually no inflation as someone who sells property held 20 years when that "gain" contains 200% inflation in the basis. Taxpayers who sell property held as a long term investment are paying taxes on "gains" which include so much inflation that the money left after taxes provides less purchasing power than they originally had when they made the investment 20 or 30 years ago. While polls show that 56% favor reducing the tax rate on capital gains, I find that an overwhelming percentage of voters (probably 90%) think indexing the basis is really the right thing to do.

The IRS calculation that indexing the basis would cost revenue does not take into account the change that would result in taxpayer behavior, and it would be very significant. There is an attorney in Des Moines who spends full time holding and dispensing money in like kind exchanges. Virtually all the properties involved have been held at least 10 years. If the

basis were indexed, most of those involved would pay the tax instead of doing a like kind exchange.

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In large measure these changes would finance themselves by increasing revenues while an across-the-board cut would not.

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In fact, I have not found any voters who place tax issues as a high priority in determining their vote this fall even moderately interested in either the Republican $500 credit per child or the administration's tax credit for education proposals. Hearing those proposals probably reinforce their suspicion that neither party intends to make taxes more fair and, therefore, they just as well support a 15% across-the-board cut even though it is wrong too.

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September 25, 1996

President Bill Clinton
The White House
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Attention: Ms. Nancy Hernreich
Director, Oval Office Operations

Dear Ms. Hernreich:

The enclosed letter from the AARP Chapter of Hot Springs Village, Arkansas, extends to the President an honorary lifetime membership in our chapter.

We would be highly honored if the response to our letter included a brief, personal note from the President.

I will be pleased to respond to any questions you may have regarding our AARP Chapter or Hot Springs Village.

Sincerely,

Hal Rowin

Hal Rowin

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Bill Clinton
President of the United States
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Belated congratulations on reaching your 50th birthday.

Now that you are a member of the American Association of Retired Persons, we, the members of the AARP Chapter of Hot Springs Village, are pleased to extend to you an honorary lifetime membership in our Chapter. If your staff would let us know when you will next be in Hot Springs, we would be honored to arrange a meeting for you to speak to our members.

We wish you and Mrs. Clinton every success and happiness in your future working and retirement years.

Sincerely,

Toni Wolfard

Toni Wolfard, President
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Dear Ms. Williams:

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Considering the call for a meeting of ME leaders tomorrow at the White House, it might be a nice gesture for the President's greetings to be conveyed to President Zayed, whose nation, the United Arab Emirates celebrates its 25th anniversary this coming

President Zayed's environmental achievements in the UAE are truly remarkable, and perhaps the Vice President might wish to also take this occasion to make contact with HH while he is in our country.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dwain Cromwell
Senior Development Officer

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President Shaikh Zayed greeted on successful operation

MINNESOTA - The President, His Highness, Shaikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, received a telephone call from the Custodian of Holy Shrines, King Fahd bin Abdulaziz of Saudi Arabia, on Saturday, wishing him good health after the successful surgery on a vertebra in his neck in the United States.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak phoned Shaikh Zayed to congratulate him on the success of the operation while Yemeni President Ali Abdullah Saleh also called Shaikh Zayed to inquire about his health and wish him good health and longevity.

President Shaikh Zayed received cables of greetings on the successful operation from His Majesty Sultan Qaboos of Oman and the Amir of Qatar, His Highness Shaikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani.

The Amir of Kuwait, His Highness Shaikh Jaber Al Ahmed Al Sabah, phoned Shaikh Zayed to inquire about his health.

His Highness Shaikh Maktoum bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, congratulated President Shaikh Zayed on the successful operation.

In a cable, Shaikh Maktoum wished the President good health and a long life.

President Shaikh Zayed received calls from Saudi Crown Prince, First Deputy Prime Minister and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah bin Abdulaziz and Second Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence and

Aviation Prince Sultan bin Abdulaziz.

President Shaikh Zayed also received cables of greetings on the success of the operation from Their Highnesses Members of the Supreme Council and Rulers of Emirates, Dr Shaikh Sultan bin Mohammed Al Qasimi of Sharjah, Shaikh Saqr bin Mohammed Al Qasimi of Ras Al Khaimah, Shaikh Rashid bin Ahmed Al Mualla of Umm Al Quwain, Shaikh Humaid bin Rashid Al Nuaimi of Ajman and Shaikh Hamad bin Mohammed Al Sharqi of Fujairah.

Similar cables were sent by Dubai Deputy Ruler and UAE Finance and Industry Minister Shaikh Hamdan bin Rashid, and Dubai Crown Prince and UAE Defence Minister General Shaikh Mohammed bin Rashid.

Cables also were sent by Ras Al Khaimah Crown Prince and Deputy Ruler Shaikh Khaled bin Saqr Al Qasimi, Umm Al Quwain Crown Prince and Deputy Ruler Shaikh Saud bin Rashid Al Mualla, Ajman Crown Prince Shaikh Ammar bin Humaid Al Nuaimi, Sharjah Deputy Ruler Shaikh Ahmed bin Sultan Al Qasimi and Fujairah Deputy Ruler Shaikh Hamad bin Saif Al Sharqi.

Federal National Council Speaker Al Haj Abdulla Al Muhairbi yesterday sent a cable of congratulations to President Shaikh Zayed on the success of the operation.

Shaikh Zayed, meanwhile, received written messages from Polish President Aleksander Kwasniewski and Sri Lankan President Chandrika Kumaratunge.

These were delivered to Minister of State for [illegible] Polish Ambassador Andrej Kapiszewski and Sri Lanka envoy Aliuthumalebbe Mohammed Samsudeen during separate meetings in Abu

Dhabi yesterday.

Mr Kwasniewski congratulated President Shaikh Zayed on the success of the surgical operation he underwent.

Mrs Kumaratunge's message dealt with the latest developments in her country. President Shaikh Zayed yesterday received a cable of thanks from King Fahd in reply to a cable sent on the occasion of his country's National Day.

Shaikh Maktoum received a similar cable from King Fahd.

Shaikh Zayed, meanwhile, sent a cable of greetings to President Roman Herzog of Germany on the occasion of Germany's Unity Day. He also sent a cable of greetings to President Lansana Conte of Guinea on the occasion of his country's Independence Day.

Shaikh Maktoum sent similar cables to the German and Guinean presidents.
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GARY J. BEACH
President

To: Carol Cleveland
for Gift Unit
or whomever should
respond to Beach.
Thanks
Patty

September 27, 1996

Mr. Thomas McLarty, III
Senior Advisor to the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mack:

Could you do me a favor?

Enclosed is a framed article that I did up for the President from *The Economist* that compares him to one of his idols - Elvis Presley!

Mack, as always, thanks for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you at one of the many Inaugural Balls in January.

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Cordially,

GJB:ke

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Send to Dansk for reply?

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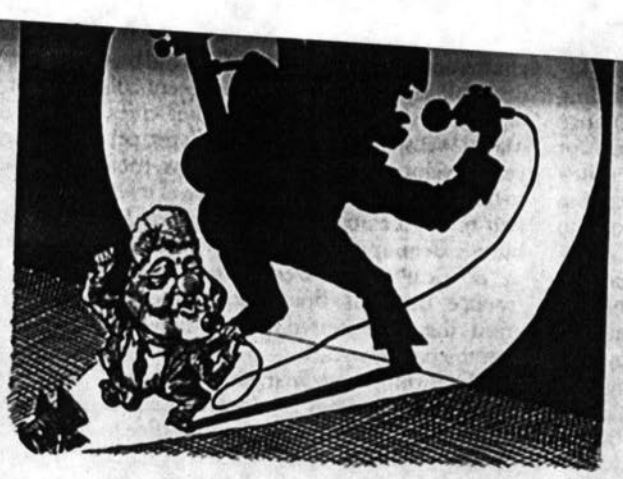
Mr President –

I know how much you like Elvis! From The Economist.

Look forward to jogging with you soon —

Gary Bork



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LEXINGTON

Bill Presley and Elvis Clinton

THE convention begins with a procession of glitzy bands, soul singers and rock-and-rollers. It continues with a party, the sort that all conventions have, with supporters wearing pictures of their man emblazoned on their shirts, and some with his image on their earrings. Throughout the week he will be praised a thousand times, in platform speeches and (more exuberantly still) in drunken late-night sessions. This candidate for America's affections began life penniless, but appeals to rich and poor alike; he is white, but has often mixed with blacks; he is a southerner, but has millions of northern devotees; he is a man, but women simply adore him. In fact, being president might actually diminish someone so great. He is more of a king, really.

The king, of course, is Elvis Presley, and the convention (which took place this week, just before the Republicans had their turn) was held in Oxford, Mississippi. It was the second international Presley conference that the town's university has held, and it had its triumphs and controversies. It was dignified by visitors from overseas: Ayako Maeda, styled as an expert on "Japanese-American Elvis relations" came, as did Jukka Ammondt, a Finnish professor who performs Elvis songs in Latin. It was dignified by ambitious discussion, too: there was a paper on "Elvis, Faulkner and Feminine Spirituality". Alas, Elves, a Mexican-American who specialises in Spanglish versions of the great man's work, was not there to perform "You Ain't Nothin' but a Chihuahua".

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What should one make of this Elvis-Clinton axis? In part, Mr Clinton is just another of the great man's fans, a passion inherited from his mother. He knows the words to most of his songs; and, on the day in 1977 when Elvis died, Mr Clinton sat glued to the television. In part, too, Mr Clinton cannot help identifying himself with this fellow southern boy with talents which put him on the world stage and a deep weakness for women. But there is something more at work, something that may shed light upon both men—and even on America.

When candidate Clinton was attacked for playing Elvis tunes four years ago, his spokesman replied simply that "Elvis is America". Elvis blended musical traditions in the best tradition of the melting pot, borrowing something from the blues and something from white country music. He was a triumph of multimedia marketing before Americans had invented that term, selling spectacularly well on records, in film, and in personal stage appearances. His rise from poverty to plutocratic fame is a fable of American mobility.

The young Elvis—handsome, confident, and above all loud—recalls his country's optimism in the middle 1950s. If there had been an old man on the moon, he would have visited earth to hear Elvis sing, just as countless Europeans flocked to hear him; and, since there was not, an American would soon go to the moon to plant an American flag on it. But the old Elvis—drug-riddled and obese—reminds many Americans of their more recent selves, their self-indulgence, their weakness for junk food, their depressions and addictions.

Elvis, in short, manages to unite his countrymen, to be one of the binding symbols that an immigrant society depends upon. Near the Elvis convention, across the street from the old courthouse and the confederate memorial in Oxford's elegant town square, a bookshop displayed more than a dozen Elvis books, testimony to his following. "The Two Kings: Jesus, Elvis", ran the title of one; "Reflections on the Birth of the Elvis Faith", went another. But, although religious parallels are all the rage among Elvisologists these days, "Elvis is America" says it better.

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This transformation says much about America. In its gaping openness to new ideas and styles, America digests rebels with amazing speed; it adapts, and the one-time rebels adapt with it. And so there is a final twist to the Elvis-Clinton tale. In the 1950s the television cameras filmed the young Elvis from the waist up, censoring his provocative leg gyrations. Over the next decades the sexual revolution came and went, and now social conservatism is on the rise again. The white suburban fans who flocked to the young Elvis in their teens now prefer the love songs of the older man. And it is their votes, most pollsters agree, that have driven Mr Clinton's slide towards the centre.

Compliments of Computerworld

NANCY WEINBERGER
Director
Arkansas Epilepsy Society
501/320-3636

96 OCT 1 A10:01

9/26/96

Dear Nancy -

Please reroute this to the appropriate person. I really need help in NH this !! ASAP -

Thanks very much,

Nancy (Weinberger)

2805 Foxcroft 201
Little Rock, AR 72227
1-501-224-5324

10-1-96

Send to Donskind ?

Yes ✓ Agency liaison I think

no

C. Pols - see NH's note

September 26, 1996

Mr. Hershel Gober. Deputy Director
National Veteran's Affairs
810 Vermont Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20420

Dear Mr. Gober,

I am pleading the cause in behalf of my husband, Sanford Richard (Dick) Weinberger, since it is impossible for him to speak for himself. Dick is a 73 year old veteran of World War II. He served his country well as a young man and received three bronze stars and a purple heart in the European theater(see, enclosed service record).

Dick has been a patient in the John McClellan North Little Rock Nursing Home since June, 1980. In October. 1979, he suffered a massive stroke after removal of a brain tumor and has been paralyzed on the left side, since that time he also has hearing and short term memory loss and erratic movement patterns that often result in serious falls, He is also legally blind. At this time, he is being reviewed for possible discharge into the community, This has been the only home he has had for sixteen years,and in my opinion, the only place were he has any opportunity for a limited quality of life, because of the security he feels there and the care he is given.. I t would be unusually cruel to remove this elderly man from the security he has at the VA North Little Rock Nursing Home Unit, and the kind attention he receives there. He **does need** special assistance, and he would not receive that care and attention in a lesser facility, and in fact, this transfer would significantly shorten his life.

I am enclosing a letter from my physician that explains why I am unable to care for him at home, unfortunately the severity of his condition and my physical infirmities have made this impossible(see. attached letter).

Thank you for y our kind attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Nancy J. Weinberger

Nancy J. Weinberger

cc: President William J. Clinton, President USA
cc: Senator Dale Bumpers, US Senator, AR

ENLISTED RECORD AND REPORT OF SEPARATION
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1. LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL	2. ARMY SERIAL NO.	3. GRADE	4. ARM OR SERVICE	5. COMPONENT
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6. ORGANIZATION	**7. DATE OF SEPARATION**	**8. PLACE OF SEPARATION**		
Co I 1st Platoon 17th Airborn Div	19 Dec 45	Separation Center Camp Chaffee Arkansas		

9. PERMANENT ADDRESS FOR MAILING PURPOSES	10. DATE OF BIRTH	11. PLACE OF BIRTH
100 No Greenwood Ave Fort Smith Sebastian Co Ark	21 Feb 23	Canton Ohio

12. ADDRESS FROM WHICH EMPLOYMENT WILL BE SOUGHT	13. COLOR EYES	14. COLOR HAIR	15. HEIGHT	16. WEIGHT	17. NO. DEPEND.
See 9	Blue	Red	5'8 3/4"	200 Lbs.	None

18. RACE			19. MARITAL STATUS			20. U.S. CITIZEN		21. CIVILIAN OCCUPATION AND NO.
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MILITARY HISTORY

22. DATE OF INDUCTION	23. DATE OF ENLISTMENT	24. DATE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE SERVICE	25. PLACE OF ENTRY INTO SERVICE
	30 Nov 42	8 May 43	Columbus Ohio

SELECTIVE SERVICE DATA	26. REGISTERED		27. LOCAL S.S. BOARD NO.	28. COUNTY AND STATE	29. HOME ADDRESS AT TIME OF ENTRY INTO SERVICE
	YES	NO			
	X		A	Sebastian Ark	See 8

30. MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALTY AND NO.: Field Lineman 641

31. MILITARY QUALIFICATION AND DATE (i.e., infantry, aviation and marksmanship badges, etc.): Marksman Carbine 18 May 44

32. BATTLES AND CAMPAIGNS: Ardennes, Rhineland Central Europe

33. DECORATIONS AND CITATIONS: World War II Victory Ribbon Good Conduct Medal American Theater Ribbon EAME Theater Ribbon and Three Bronze Service Stars

34. WOUNDS RECEIVED IN ACTION: None

35. LATEST IMMUNIZATION DATES				36. SERVICE OUTSIDE CONTINENTAL U.S. AND RETURN		
SMALLPOX	TYPHOID	[illegible]	[illegible]	DATE OF DEPARTURE	DESTINATION	DATE OF ARRIVAL
May 45	May 45	May 45	Typ 13 May 45	20 Aug 44		
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37. TOTAL LENGTH OF SERVICE						38. HIGHEST GRADE HELD
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39. PRIOR SERVICE: None

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40. REASON AND AUTHORITY FOR SEPARATION: Convn of Govt RR1-1 (Demobilization) AR615-365 15 Dec 44

41. SERVICE SCHOOLS ATTENDED: Parachute Rigging School Parachute Jump Training School

42. EDUCATION (Years)		
Grammar	High School	College
8	4	2½

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43. LONGEVITY FOR PAY PURPOSES			44. MUSTERING OUT PAY		45. SOLDIER'S DEPOSITS	46. TRAVEL PAY	47. TOTAL AMOUNT, NAME OF DISBURSING OFFICER
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56. SIGNATURE OF PERSON BEING SEPARATED: Sanford R Weinberger

57. PERSONNEL OFFICER (Type name, grade and organization - signature): L S RILEY 1st Lt AUS

WD AGO FORM 53-55
1 November 1944

This form supersedes all previous editions of WD AGO Forms 53 and 55 for enlisted persons entitled to an Honorable Discharge, which will not be used after receipt of this revision.

2. FINAL INDORSEMENT COPY (Affixed to final indorsement for ... of Service Record)

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Nancy -
Please let
Barry see this
before I
sign it.
Bw

JOHN A. KITZHABER, M.D.
GOVERNOR

September 12, 1996

President Bill Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As a physician and governor, I applaud your creation of the Advisory Commission on Consumer Protection and Quality in the Health Care Industry. As you know, we in Oregon have worked over the last several years to expand access to health care coverage, contain health care costs and preserve and enhance the quality of care. We actively embrace the use of managed care as a means to address all three of those issues. At the same time, we understand those who are concerned that managed care have the proper incentives and controls to assure appropriate care to patients.

Given our work in Oregon, I would like to recommend to you the appointment of Dr. Thomas Reardon of Boring, Oregon to the Advisory Commission. Dr. Reardon has a broad background not only in the practice of medicine, but in public policy matters. He has served on the Physician Payment Review Commission, the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Board of Directors and as a commissioner for the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO). I believe that Dr. Reardon could bring a practical perspective to the deliberations of the Commission, yet understand the role public policy can play in helping assure quality health care. A curriculum vitae for Dr. Reardon is attached.

I look forward to following the work of the Commission and commend Dr. Reardon to you for appointment.

Sincerely,

John A. Kitzhaber, M.D.

Attachment

JAK/GS/JT:cm

cc: Secretary Donna
Secretary Robert
Bob Nash, Direct
Carol Rasco, Ass

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Send to Dorsknd
reply to Kitzhaber
Yes
No

CURRICULUM VITAE

THOMAS R. REARDON, M.D.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

University of Colorado, Medical Degree

Baltimore City Hospital, internship 1959 - 60

Colorado State University, BS - 1956

United States Air Force, 1960 - 63

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

General Practice, Portland, Oregon, 1963 - 93

Medical Director - Managed HealthCare Northwest Legacy Health System, 1992 - 1995

Medical Director - Portland Adventist Medical Group, 1996 - Present

Consultant, Blue Cross Blue Shield, 1991 - Present

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Multnomah County Medical Society (MCMS)

Oregon Medical Association (OMA)

American Medical Association (AMA)

Oregon Medical Political Action Committee

American Medical Political Action Committee

Alpha Omega Alpha

HOSPITAL AFFILIATIONS

Active Staff, Providence Medical Center
Portland, Oregon

Courtesy Staff, Emanuel Hospital, Portland, Oregon

OFFICES/ COMMITTEES

Trustee, American Medical Association, 1990 - Present
Vice Chair, December, 1995 to Present
Executive Committee, 1994 to Present
Secretary-Treasurer, 1994 - 1995

National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA), Board of Directors, 1994 to Present

Commissioner, Physician Payment Review Commission, 1986 - 94

AMA Delegate, AMA Hospital Medical Staff Section, 1983 - 90

Commissioner, Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, 1993 - 94

Member, AMA Steering Committee, Hospital Medical Staff Section, 1983

President, Oregon Medical Association, OMA, 1984 - 85

Vice President, OMA, 1982 - 83

Chairman, Multiple OMA Committees, including Legislative Committee and Board of Censors, 1977 - 85

President, Multnomah County Medical Society, (MCMS), 1980 - 81

Chairman, MCMS Grievance Committee, 1974 - 76

Member, Multiple MCMS Committees, 1968 -87

Recipient, MCMS Distinguished Service Award, 1982

Member, Greater Portland Business (Coalition) Group on Health, 1978 - 86

Speaker, numerous national, state and local health care forums, including Congressional testimony

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Roberts A. Braden
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22 September, 1996

Mr. William J. Clinton
President of the United States
The White House, West Wing
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

Here are five reasons why you should schedule a campaign swing through northern California, and particularly through Northeast California.

(1) We can a **gain a congressional seat** in the 2nd CA District -- unexpected, but true! My polling data and
but only if I am able to co

(2) Your half brother, **Leo**
to boost your candidacy.
mini-reunion. Leon, now
I am enclosing a copy for

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[Dole has been here twice
here twice. Ollie North is here now. Pete Wilson and Dan Lundgren have been here. Only Art Torres has been here to represent the good guys.] Oh, by the way, my week-old poll shows you and Mr. Dole at 33.3% to 35.0%, respectively in this district with 24.9% undecided.

(4) This is a perfect district to show your concern for the environment. You, Secretary Glickman, and the Vice President can have a hay day with the Quincy Library Group which is very environmentally correct, but suddenly quite bipartisan. They offer a golden key to a moderate, widely acceptable form of environmentalism.

(5) With your help we can win all of the Northstate north of Sacramento. Both the 1st and 3rd Districts are targeted. *The 2nd District should be.* A stop here for Braden can be packaged with appearances for Alioto and Fazio.

Sincerely,

Roberts Braden

enclosures: 1.Photo 2. Polling Update

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Polling Update #2

The second scientific poll conducted for the Roberts Braden Campaign was concluded on the 13th of September. A trained professional pollster, Allen Lunde, was retained to construct the polling questionnaire, select a scientifically representative random sample of registered voters, and to conduct and supervise the poll. During the telephone calling phase of the poll Mr. Lunde used members of the Braden team who he had previously trained in sampling procedures. With this additional supervised practice, the Braden team will now be able to do tracking polls with input and limited supervision by Mr. Lunde. **The results of the follow up poll are highly encouraging!**

The summary of results submitted by Mr. Lunde is attached. His comments as an unbiased observer are clearly favorable. However, when interpreted in political rather than statistical terms they are even more positive for the Braden campaign. Here is our political interpretation of the most salient factors:

Herger can be presumed to have begun this race with a 36%+ advantage. Wally Herger (R), has won the last three elections by 36%, 38%, and 37%. The Democrats didn't really contest the undecided vote in any of those elections and he took it all.

Our poll shows that **Herger is now holding only a 7.7% edge**, and the sequence of questions in the poll can be assumed to have influenced many respondents to say they were undecided after having failed to identify Roberts Braden. In addition, of the respondents who were undecided for Congress in this poll, many have already decided who their presidential choice would be. If the declared Clinton supporters ultimately decide for Braden and the declared Dole supporters ultimately decide for Herger, the breakdown suggested by the Lunde Poll would be:

Herger	40.6%
Braden	38.0%
other	1.7%
undecided	19.6%

The fact that Roberts Braden is not yet well known is both a plus and a minus. Although the Braden campaign has been highly successful in obtaining earned press, the frequency of exposure of our candidate and his name to the public has not yet reached the 7-to-9 exposure level necessary to fix the name in memory -- that is a minus. The plus side is that once name recognition level is achieved, our candidate's acceptability and voter support will increase dramatically. A minimum-buy TV and radio test was conducted in three counties. The result reflected in the poll was an increase of 7% name recognition for a 200 rating point media exposure at a cost of only $1,000. In counties where no electronic media were tested, name recognition moved only slightly over the results of the July poll.

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The Gingrich factor will work in our favor. Herger has tied himself closely to Newt Gingrich who has visited the district TWICE in support of Herger. Voter displeasure with Gingrich and the extreme Republican agenda will be an issue which resonates in the 2nd District.

The 38.7% undecided finding is indicative of several things:

> The unprecedented size of the persuadable pool tells us that the voters are *"looking for something."* They know Herger (67.7% name recognition), so **Herger is not what they are looking for**.
>
> Nearly half of the undecided voters are **moderates**, as is Roberts Braden. Herger is an extreme conservative who will attempt to appear moderate, but is burdened with an ultra-conservative voting record.
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> The March primary election supports the contention that Herger's support is eroding. Roberts Braden received nearly as many primary votes as the last Democratic general election candidate, but Herger fell far short of his general election base. **Tens of thousands of Herger's former supporters are now "undecided."**

Apparently Herger is now doing his own polling. The numbers he has mentioned about his poll results (10% lead, end of August) are included in our chart and are consistent with our polling. Herger's early overconfidence permitted us to close the gap. Now he is committing his resources even though he would normally hold off another two or three weeks. [He likes to save his money and contribute to other Republicans who are in close races late in the election cycle.]

We do not wish to overly react to the positive implications of this poll. Clearly, Roberts Braden is running behind at this time. But, the TREND is in Roberts' favor and if sustained is strong enough to carry the election. **Roberts Braden is doing far better than any of Herger's previous opponents.** Without doubt, it will be a tough fight and we predict a very close election. (If our campaign strategies are successful, we project a one to three point Braden win!) **The most important implication of this poll is that Roberts Braden has a good chance of winning in November**.

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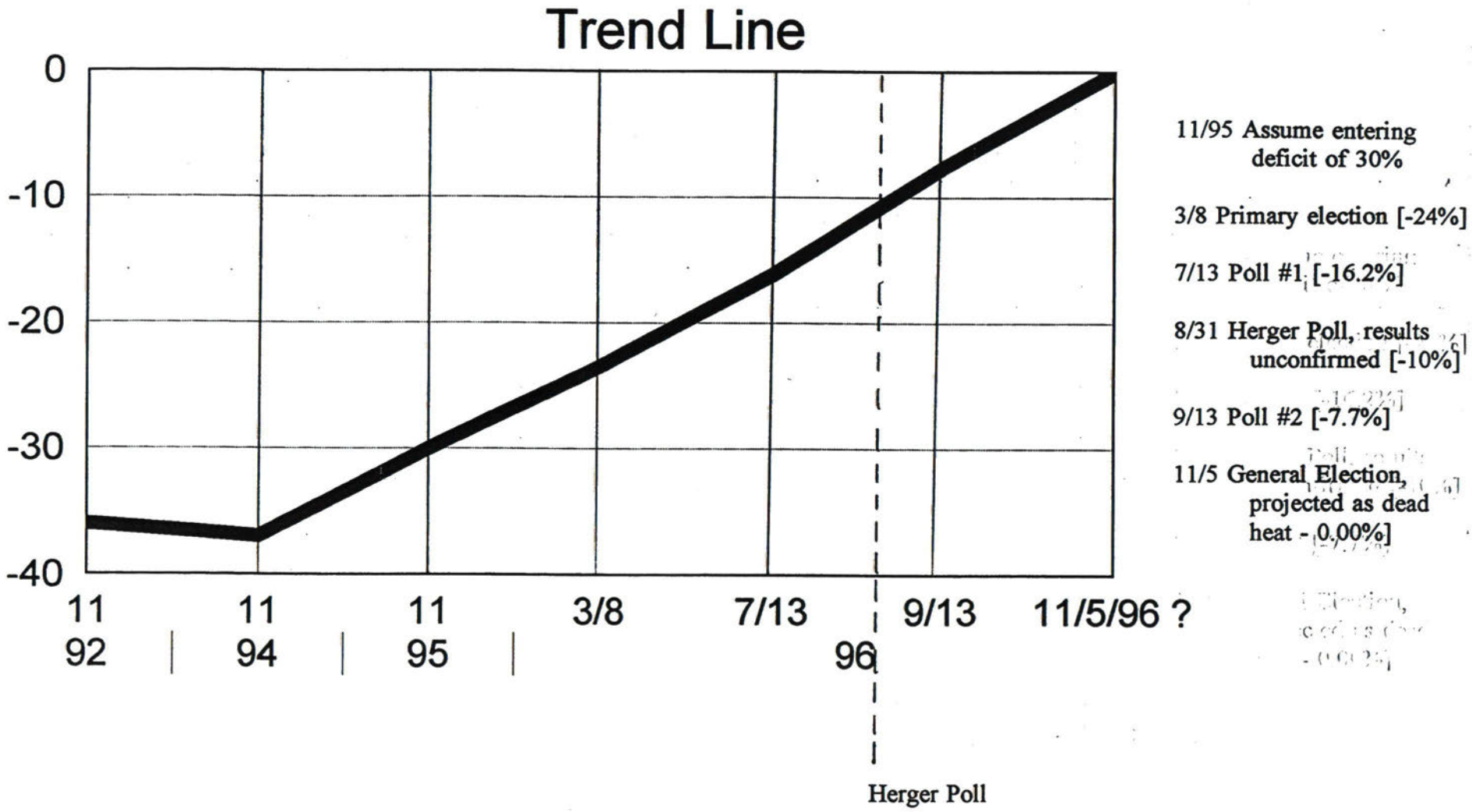
Democrat vote deficit



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Leon Ritzenthaler (on right) with Democratic Congressional Candidate Roberts Braden.
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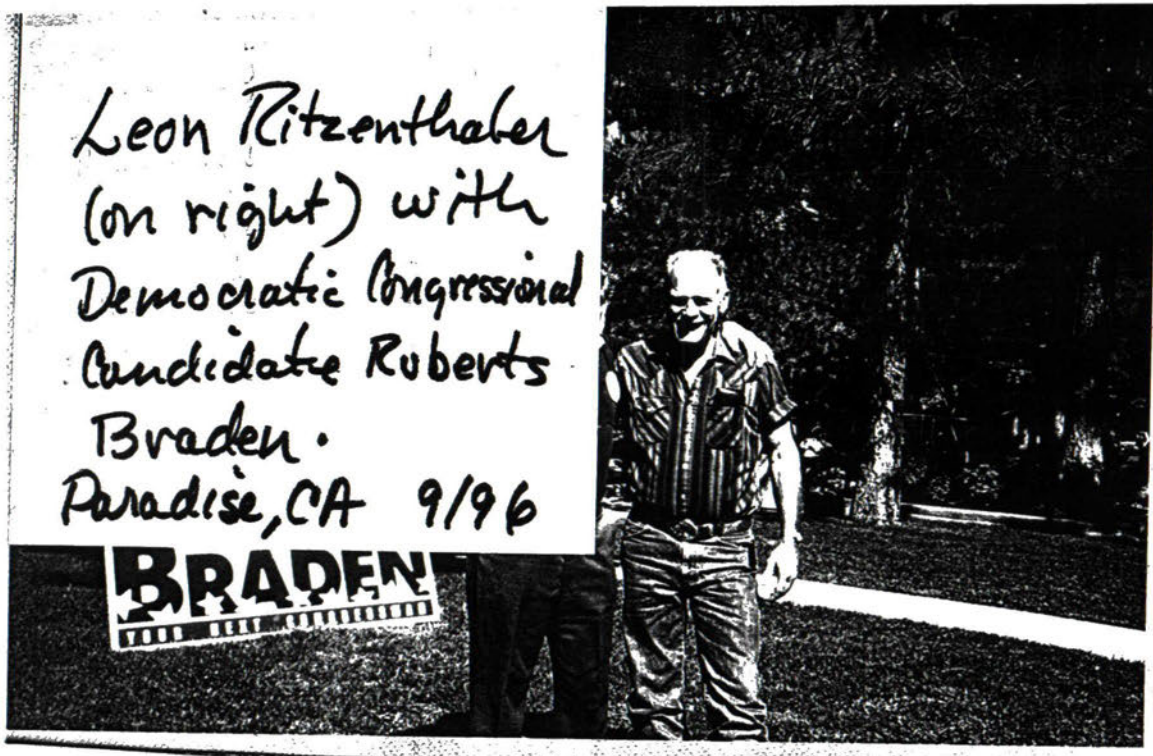

President's half-brother & friend.
Paradise, CA
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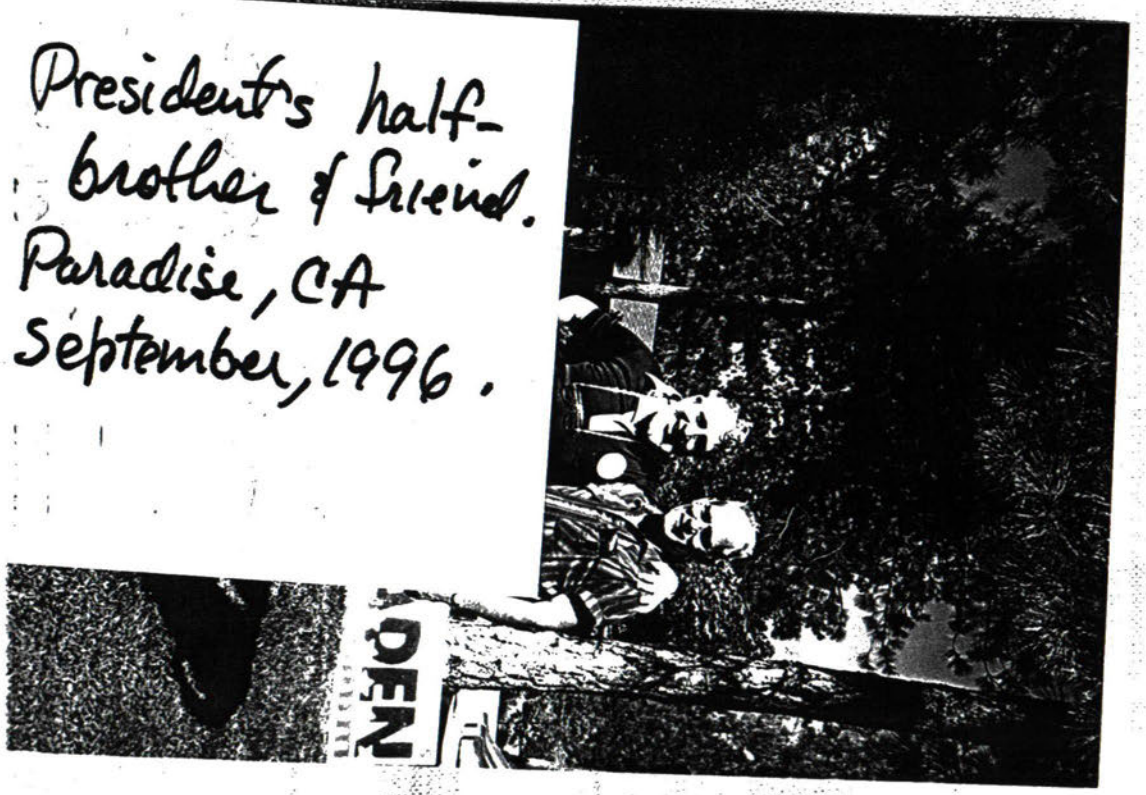

Betty

9/30/96

To: Peter Knight
Fred Dutton

Subj: Student Pledge Against Gun Violence

I pass this along for information. Rahm?

is my cousin and worked very hard

this program. It appears to be potentially a

good "event," but obviously there is much

on the plate already.

If you c

I know the Presid
is swamped. If yo
this is worth pursuing
please do. Thanks.

10-1-96

Send to Dorskind?
Yes ✓
No ____

Message?

coordinate w/ Rahm Emanuel?

Yes ____
No ____

C.

PLEDGE
Oct 10 1996

Student Pledge Against Gun Violence

Sept. 27, 1996

Dear Ned,

I know that you cannot do the impossible but I'll be really grateful for anything you can do to get this into the right hands.

It's such fun for me to have another political ally in the family!

Thanks and love,
M. L.

The first four pages are "pitched" towards the White House.

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DRAFT

The following is the way I would "script" this for the President:

"Even in an election year, there are issues important enough to transcend partisan politics. Last month, senators from both sides of the aisle came together to pass a Senate Resolution designating October 10 of this year a 'DAY OF NATIONAL CONCERN ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE AND GUN VIOLENCE.' The Resolution, drafted and introduced by Senator Bradley and co-sponsored by an additional forty-three Democrats and forty Republicans from across the political spectrum, calls for national distribution of a **STUDENT PLEDGE AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE.**

On October 10, students all over the country will have the chance to make a life-saving decision: They will be given a voluntary Pledge that asks them to promise that they: **will never carry a gun to school; will never resolve a dispute with a gun; and will use their influence to keep their friends from solving their disputes with guns.**

All too many young people in our country have been affected in some way by gun violence -- either through losing someone they know to a bullet or through the fear that comes from wondering if a classmate's backpack may be hiding a gun. I hope that the Day of National Concern about Young People and Gun Violence will become an annual event until not even one child is shot in this country with a gun.

I am proud of the senators on both sides of the aisle who came together last month, and, as President, I want to call on teachers and school administrators to make sure that this Pledge is made available to your students. Use the time before October 10 to plan activities and discussions with your students. Communities and churches can help.

And I call directly on students to take the Pledge, and to mean it. Decide that carrying guns to resolve disputes is not a sign of power; it is a sign of surrender -- surrender to fear. I remind you of the power of one: one by one by one by one.

On October 10, if you decide to sign the Pledge, know that you will not be alone. Know that students throughout the country will be making the same decision. Know that your parents, your teachers, and your communities will be calling out our encouragement, our support, and our hope that you will inhabit a safer tomorrow."

Drafted by Mary Lewis Grow
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Day of National Concern
and possible
White House involvement

A SUGGESTED TIMETABLE:

Sometime the week of September 30:

- Invite high school and middle school students, teachers, and representatives of the endorsing organizations to the White House (Rose Garden?) to publicize the Day of Concern and Student Pledge Against Gun Violence. Students could wear t-shirts with the Pledge logo. Have a poster-sized copy of the Pledge beside the President.

- Ask students to take the Pledge, with the President's and Vice President's support and encouragement, and as a preview of October 10.

- Ask students if they will go into elementary schools on October 10 and in the weeks following and tell elementary school students about the decision they have made and read them either Sherri Chessen's The Gorp's Gift or Marybeth Lorbiecki's Just One Flick of a Finger.

- Visit a classroom or school that is planning activities for October 10. Sit at a table with the students and talk to them about their fears, hopes, and wishes for the Day of Concern.
- Visit an elementary school classroom and read aloud either The Gorp's Gift or Just One Flick of a Finger. (Perhaps Mrs. Clinton or Mrs. Gore --or Chelsea -- could be the one to read one of these books to the little children.)

October 10

- Visit a school: a classroom or school assembly where students are taking the Pledge and/or an elementary school classroom where an older student is reading one of the above books to younger ones.

- Help students plant a tree as a reminder of their Pledge.

Between now and October 10

- Remind young people at every opportunity that they will have an important decision to make on October 10. Ask them to encourage their friends to take the Pledge -- and mean it.
- Get major sports figures to appear with the President or Vice President to appeal to students to take the Pledge. (A different sports figure every few days?)

Student Pledge Against Gun Violence

September 24, 1996

Albert Gore, Sr.

/ Lewis Grow

Gore:

ı so much for talking with me yesterday. I remember with pleasure my friend's and nter with you and Senator Gore in June in Washington and your enthusiasm for the ıtional Concern about Young People and Gun Violence and the Student Pledge ;un Violence. There are several reasons why I hope that you can interest your son in ive:

ıtter how many students in how many cities and towns around the country take part observance, they will not have the sense of being part of a truly important national ance unless there is some kind of encouragement and acknowledgement "from the

President and Vice President (and perhaps their families as well) talk about the tunity for making life-saving decisions that Oct. 10 affords, it will tell young people ery important their health and safety are -- not only to their families but to the ry and its leaders.

avel around the country meeting with individuals and groups trying to reduce ıce, particularly gun violence, I am touched by the energy and creativity that so many e put into this issue -- in ways both large and small. But there are few occasions that ct all of these wonderful people and programs. October 10 will offer a chance to these efforts together in a common observance.

siasm for this initiative transcends partisan politics. The senators who co-sponsored nate Resolution drafted by Sen. Bradley run the political gamut: from Sen. tone to Sens. Thurmond and Helms. Regardless of people's views on gun control, one seems able to agree that we don't want to see guns in schools or students ing each other. I believe that the White House can only benefit from being associated eadership in publicizing the initiative.

ıg admired your family. I would be honored to think that you and your son could t in drawing national attention to the October 10 observance.

thanks and warmest wishes for your renewed strength and health,

Mary Lewis Grow

Mary Lewis Grow, Project Director

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PLEDGE
Oct 10 1996

Student Pledge Against Gun Violence

September 25, 1996

To: The Vice President

Fr. Mary Lewis Grow

Re: **Day of National Concern about Young People and Gun Violence and Student Pledge Against Gun Violence -- October 10**

Dear Mr. Vice President:

Your mother, whom I had the pleasure of meeting last summer, has kindly offered to forward the enclosed materials to you.

Leadership and encouragement from you and the President will make this a truly meaningful national observance, and will help students know that their decisions matter -- not only to their families and friends but to the country's leaders.

Senate Resolution 282 had eighty-three original co-sponsors -- forty-three Democrats and forty Republicans -- from across the political spectrum (Sen. Wellstone to Sen Helms). It asks the President to call on the school children of the United States to observe the Day of Concern about Young People and Gun Violence with appropriate activities.

The Student Pledge initiative will encourage students to make life-saving choices and empower them to know that -- individual by individual -- they can turn back the violence and become the architects of a safer future.

I hope that you and the President will help publicize the observance and encourage students and their schools to take part in it.

Thank you for any help you can give.

Sincerely,

Mary Lewis Grow

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I will never bring a gun to school;

I will never use a gun to settle a dispute;

I will use my influence with my friends to keep them from using guns to settle disputes.

My individual choices and actions, when multiplied by those of young people throughout the country, <u>will</u> make a difference. Together, by honoring this pledge, we can reverse the violence and grow up in safety.

Student Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

School Name: _____

School Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Pledge Against Gun Violence

Day of National Concern
STUDENT PLEDGE AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE

What is it? A national observance giving students throughout the country the chance to sign a voluntary promise that they will:

- never carry a gun to school
- never resolve a dispute with a gun
- try to use their influence with their friends to keep them from resolving disputes with guns.

The Pledge is followed by an acknowledgment of the importance of individual decisions, multiplied.

When is it? The Day of National Concern about Young People and Gun Violence and national distribution of the Student Pledge will take place on October 10, 1996.

Who will participate in it? Every student in the country, from middle school through high school, should be given a copy of the Pledge on October 10. Schools and other community institutions such as churches and synagogues can use the days and weeks leading up to distribution of the Pledge to talk about the power that young people have to reverse the violence that is claiming so many lives.

Every person in the country concerned about the toll of gun violence on our young can participate in this event -- by organizing community events prior to and following distribution of the Pledge, by making sure that their own local schools are distributing the Pledge, and by using the Pledge as a vehicle for letting young people know about our concern for them and our desire to see them grow up in safety.

Why a national observance? Why not deal with the issue on a school-by school, town-by-town-basis? The Day of Concern will empower young people to see themselves as part of a large national observance and to realize that they really can reverse the tide of violence and diminish one of the greatest threats to their health and safety.

There is power in large numbers acting together. While it is very valuable for students to study conflict resolution in their classrooms, they need to know that there will be millions of other young people making the same decisions they are at the same time. If they take the Pledge -- and mean it -- others will too.

The dialogue surrounding the Day of National Concern and distribution of the Pledge can bring Americans together in a kind of national town meeting, united in our concern for our young people.

Who is sponsoring this national observance? Senator Bill Bradley and 83 of his Senate colleagues -- forty-three Democrats and forty Republicans -- co-sponsored a Senate Resolution calling for the Day of National Concern about Young People and Gun Violence and national distribution of the Student Pledge. A number of civic organizations, national education associations, and religious groups are endorsing and supporting this initiative.

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DAY OF NATIONAL CONCERN ABOUT STUDENTS AND GUN VIOLENCE AND DISTRIBUTION OF STUDENT PLEDGE

Student Pledge Against Gun Violence

U.S. Senators Bill Bradley (D-NJ), Arlen Specter (R-PA), Paul Wellstone (D-MN) and eighty-one of their Senate colleagues have sponsored a Senate Resolution calling for a "Day of National Concern about Young People and Gun Violence" and national distribution of a Student Pledge. ANYONE CONCERNED WITH GUN VIOLENCE CAN HELP MAKE THIS A SUCCESS.

What and when is it?

The Student Pledge Against Gun Violence calls for a national observance on October 10 that will give students throughout the country the chance to sign a voluntary promise that they will never carry a gun to school, will never resolve a dispute with a gun, and will use their influence with their friends to keep them from resolving disputes with guns. The Day of Concern will empower young people to see themselves as part of a large national initiative and to realize that they really can reverse the tide of violence. If they sign the Pledge–and mean it – others will too.

How shall we observe this day?

Every student in the country, from middle school through high school, should be given a copy of the Pledge on October 10. Schools, families, and community groups such as churches and synagogues can enhance the effectiveness of the Day of National Concern about Young People and Gun Violence by building towards it with discussions and activities that might include the following:

- Ask schools and community organizations to create awareness-raising activities for young people in the days leading up to the Pledge-signing. Students can design posters, write poems and song lyrics, or plant trees and flower bulbs in memory of young victims of gun violence and as a symbol of ther commitment to a safer future. Teachers might invite an emergency room physician to speak about how it feels to operate on a gun-shot victim and lose that person; how it feels to inform parents of their loss;

- Churches and synagogues can talk to young people about the power of each individual's decisions and the opportunity for change that October 10 will offer. Adults can use the Pledge as a vehicle for letting young people know about our concern for them and our desire to see them grow up in safety;

- Convene panel discussions or forums with community organizations like the PTA, League of Women voters, NAACP, andchurches and synagogues to discuss ways to implement the Pledge and reduce gun violence;

- Form a network of people who share your concerns and are interested in organizing future events to protect children from gun violence.

- CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR OLDER STUDENTS TO MODEL POSITIVE RESPONSES FOR YOUNGER STUDENTS. If it is true that people learn best by teaching, we could reinforce the impact of the Pledge by asking older students to take the message to younger ones, both on October 10 and in the days and weeks following.

Some new books for younger children

Sherri Chessen's *The Gorp's Gift* for pre-school and lower elementary grades and Marybeth Lorbiecki's *Just One Flick of a Finger* are being released this summer. Chessen's book, in verse and child-friendly drawings, warns children to assume that any gun they see may be loaded and asks them to promise not to touch guns. Lorbiecki's book, illustrated by Caldecott Award-winning artist David Diaz, is for older elementary school children and tells the story of a boy who takes a gun to school and accidentally shoots a friend. Older students who have signed the Pledge could visit elementary school classrooms to discuss the decision they have made and to read either Chessen's or Lorbiecki's book to the younger children. (Chessen's book can be ordered from the Southern Publishers Group by calling 1-800-628-0903; Lorbiecki's book can be ordered from Dial Publishers at 1-800-526-0275.)

What happens to the Pledge after the student has signed it?

Some suggestions:

- Give each student two copies of the Pledge. Ask the student to keep one copy for himself/herself and to give the other to the most trusted adult in his or her life: a parent, a teacher, a minister or rabbi, an older sibling, a grandparent, a counselor. Ask the students to remember that they have signed a contract and made a promise: the older adult can remind them of the importance of that promise.

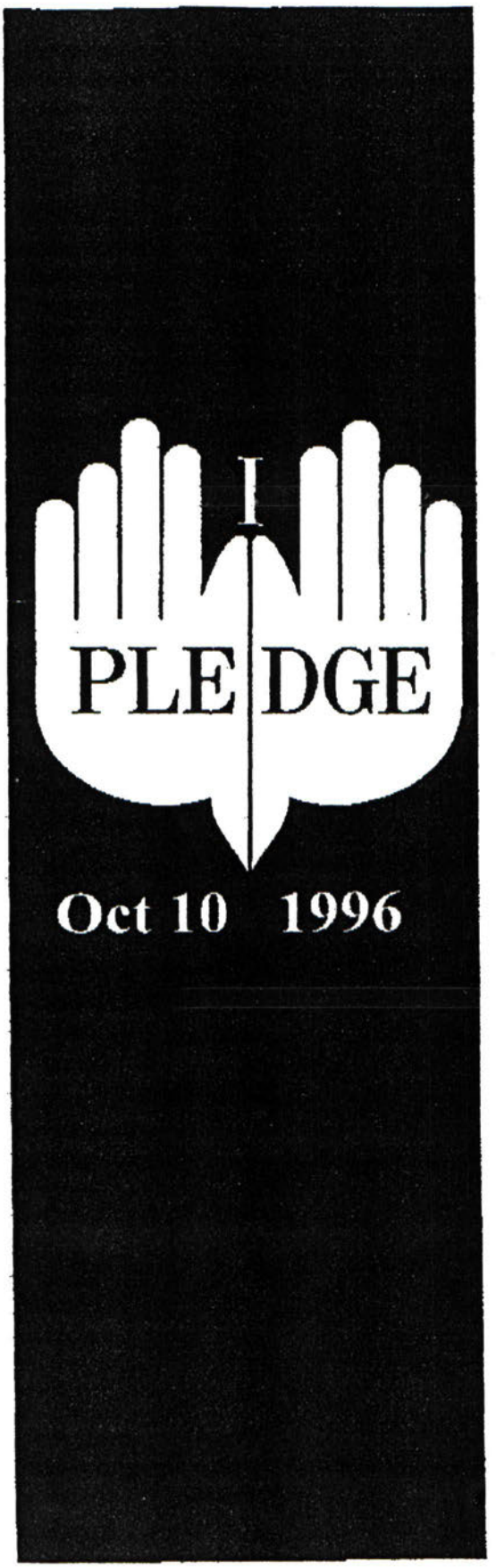
- Designate several students in each classroom to collect the Pledges and tally the numbers, without recording the names of the students. Have several students per school tally the totals for that school. Totals should be reported to the Student Pledge Against Gun Violence, 1009 Prospect Drive, Northfield, MN 55057.

- Celebrate the day with an all-school assembly. Invite special guests: an athlete who is a positive role model, a political figure who has shown special concern for young people, a community leader.

Supporting organizations include: the American Federation of Teachers, the National Education Association, Council of the Great City Schools, the National School Boards Association, the American Association of School Administrators, the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the Parents and Teachers Association, the League of Women Voters, Mothers Against Violence in America, the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence, and The Educational Fund to End Handgun Violence.

Web site for more information.

Look for further information or add your own suggestions on a web site to be launched in early August at *www.pledge.org*.



S. Res 282

MR. BRADLEY, along with MR. WELLSTONE, MR.SPECTER, and eighty-one additional co-sponsors, submitted the following resolution; which was approved:

RESOLUTION

To designate October 10, 1996, as the "Day of National Concern about Young People and Gun Violence."

WHEREAS, violent crime in American society has escalated in recent years, and nowhere is the severe increase in violent crime greater than among juveniles;

WHEREAS, between 1989 and 1994*, juvenile arrest rates (14-17) for murder increased 40.5%;

WHEREAS, in 1993,* more than ten children were murdered each day;

WHEREAS, America's young people are this country's most important resource, and we, as a society, have a vested interest in helping children survive, free from fear and violence, into healthy adulthood;

WHEREAS, American young people can, by taking individual and collective responsibility for their own decisions and actions, help chart a new and less violent direction for the entire country;

WHEREAS, American school children will be invited to take part in a national observance involving millions of their fellow students, and will thereby be empowered to see themselves as significant agents of positive social change;

WHEREAS, this observance will give students the opportunity to make a solemn decision about their future by voluntarily signing a pledge promising that they a) will never to take a gun to school, b) will never to use a gun to resolve a dispute; and c) will use their influence to keep friends from using a gun to settle disputes;

Resolved, That the Senate designate October 10, 1996, as the "Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence." The President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the school children of the United States to observe this day with appropriate activities.

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* last years for which comprehensive statistics have been compiled

S. Res. 282 - Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence

Co-Sponsors

Democrats

1. Wellstone
2. Levin
3. Akaka
4. Boxer
5. Moynihan
6. Biden
7. Murray
8. Glenn
9. Reid
10. Simon
11. Kohl
12. Lautenberg
13. Dodd
14. Inouye
15. Bob Graham
16. Conrad
17. Dorgan
18. Pryor
19. Lieberman
20. Bumpers
21. Rockefeller
22. J. Kerry
23. Johnston
24. Kennedy
25. Robb
26. Moseley-Braun
27. Wyden
28. Hollings
29. Daschle
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33. Ford
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35. Sarbanes
36. Feinstein
37. Kerrey
38. Nunn
39. Bingaman
40. Leahy
41. Breaux
42. Bryan
43. Pell

Republicans

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3. Snowe
4. DeWine
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7. Bennett
8. McCain
9. Coats
10. D'Mato
11. Brown
12. Kassabaum
13. Grassley
14. Burns
15. Nichols
16. Roth
17. Hutchinson
18. Simpson
19. Faircloth
20. McConnell
21. Thompson
22. Cohen
23. Gorton
24. Craig
25. Kempthorne
26. Mack
27. Grams
28. Jeffords
29. Campbell
30. Cochran
31. Frahm
32. Abraham
33. Ashcroft
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37. Santorum
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39. Warner
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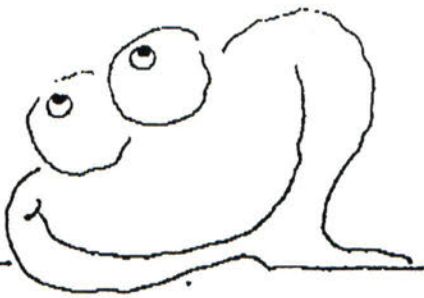
for elementary schools that want a Pledge for the youngest children



MY PROMISE TO THE GORP

I promise you, Gorp
and Yinklebugs, too
I promise McHenrys
and the Towers, I DO

I promise Ms. Lilly
her chauffeur and Brady
I promise her chef
and her cool cousin Sadie

I want to be <u>safe</u>
and I promise you now
I WON'T play with GUNS...
NEVER...NO HOW!

Signed: _____

Thank you for remembering
ALL GUNS ARE LOADED

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This Pledge is an excerpt from the Gorp's Gift, a book for pre-school and lower elementary grade children. This book is available in your local bookstore, or can be ordered from Southern Publishers Group: 1-800-628-0903.
ISBN 0-9642160-0-0

ıtions endorsing the Day of National Concern and the Student Pledge Against Gun Violence

ıber 6, 1996, the following organizations have officially endorsed the Day of cern and the Student Pledge Against Gun Violence (additional organizations ınced after official endorsement):

ıerican Federation of Teachers
tional Education Association
uncil of the Great City Schools
ıtional PTA
al School Boards Association
can Association of School Administrators (Superintendents)
ıal Association of Secondary School Principals
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rs Against Violence in America
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ational Fund to End Handgun Violence
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ɔnal Association of Social Workers
Methodist Church General Board of Church and Society
Episcopal Church
Presbyterian Church of the USA
ıonal Council of Churches
Office of Church and Society of the United Church of Christ (Congregationalists)

tion by the United States Senate supporting a Day of National Concern and the Pledge Against Gun Violence will be an important step in marshaling the nation's and energy in opposition to gun violence among children and youth."

-- American Federation of Teachers

portant that as many events and tools as possible be used throughout the nation ss the disquieting increase in youth violence....a Day of National Concern and Pledge Against Gun Violence helps do that, and is and is an important component verarching effort to lessen violence in our society."

-- The Council of the Great City Schools

ay of National Concern can focus discussion of the problem of young people and lence at both the national and community level, and will empower young people to mselves as agents of change."

-- League of Women Voters of the US

What Happens to the Pledge After the Student Has Signed it?

Some Suggestions

1. Give each student two copies of the Pledge. Ask the student to keep one copy for himself/herself and to give the other to the most trusted adult in his or her life: a parent, a teacher, a minister or rabbi, an older sibling, a grandparent, a counselor. Ask the students to remember that they have signed a contract and made a promise; the older adult can remind them of the importance of that promise.

2. Designate several students in each classroom to collect the Pledges and tally the numbers, without recording the names of the students. Ask a teacher to tally the numbers if there are concerns about confidentiality. Have several students per school tally the totals for that school. Report the totals to Student Pledge Against Gun Violence, 1009 Prospect Drive, Northfield, MN 55057.

3. Arrange ahead of time for older students who have signed the Pledge to visit a local elementary school classroom to discuss the important decision they have just made and to read to the younger children either Sherri Chessen's The Gorp's Gift or Marybeth Lorbiecki's Just One Flick of a Finger, whichever is age-appropriate. (Chessen's book is appropriate for very young children; Lorbiecki's is appropriate for older elementary and early middle school students.)

4. Celebrate the day with an all-school assembly. Invite special guests: an athlete who is a positive role model, a political figure who has shown notable concern for young people, a community leader. (Some schools might want to have the students sign the Pledge during the assembly.)

5. Plant a tree in the schoolyard as a reminder of the Pledge that students have made. Give students the responsibility of caring for it.

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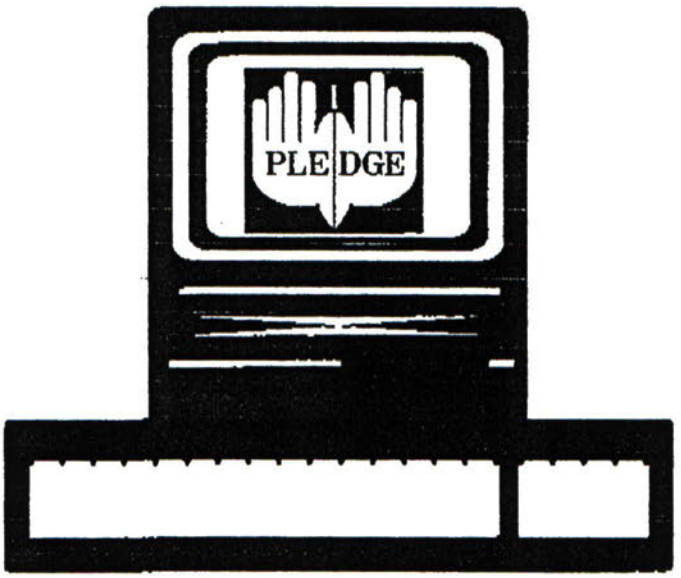
We have a web site....



- Progress reports
- Resources for educators
- Point people and state coordinators
- Suggested activities for Day of National Concern
- Media coverage
- Bulletin board of ideas and correspondence

find us at: http://www.pledge.org/

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Some examples of some states' activities + support

Other local + state proclamations coming

Working together to reduce the violence in our society and to promote the safety and well being of our children.

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September 5, 1996

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

LOWRY PROCLAIMS OCTOBER 10 "DAY OF CONCERN ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE AND GUN VIOLENCE" IN WASHINGTON STATE

SEATTLE -- Governor Mike Lowry has proclaimed October 10, 1996, as the "Day of Concern About Young People and Gun Violence" in Washington State. The Governor's proclamation comes on the heels of a bipartisan U.S. Senate Resolution, sponsored by 83 Senators, designating October 10, 1996, as the "Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence."

In his proclamation, Governor Lowry invites students in "every school district in Washington to participate in a statewide observance (of the Day of Concern) and be significant forces in a wave of positive social change." The efforts of national co-sponsor Mothers Against Violence in America (MAVIA) have helped make Washington State a model for other states to emulate in their preparations for October 10.

As part of the Day of Concern, middle school and high school students will be asked to voluntarily sign the "Student Pledge Against Gun Violence," promising to: never take a gun to school, never use a gun to resolve a dispute, and use their influence to keep friends from using guns to settle disputes. Washington state has established a goal of having 10,000 students sign the pledge by October 10. By signing the pledge, Lowry feels that "young people can help chart a new, non-violent direction for Washington State by taking responsibility for their own decisions and actions, and by positively influencing the decisions and actions of others."

(more)

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MAVIA will host an event to kick off the pledge drive on September 18 at Chief Sealth High School in West Seattle (see attached fact sheet). Speaking at the kickoff event will be Seattle Police Chief Norm Stamper, King County Councilmember Greg Nickels, Seattle City Councilmember John Manning and MAVIA member and Chief Sealth alum Tammy Fernandes, mother of the late Melissa Fernandes, who was shot and killed at the age of 16 in a drive-by shooting outside of Ballard High School in March, 1994. The Institute for Community Leadership will perform a poetry slam against violence during the latter half of the event.

Shortly after the kickoff event, copies of the pledge will be sent to every public middle school and high school in Washington State by the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). The school or schools reporting the highest percentage of student signatures will receive recognition in the OSPI's newsletter. Private schools are encouraged to contact the office of Mothers Against Violence in America (MAVIA) for copies of the pledge. Schools should report their final signature tallies to the MAVIA office between October 7 and 10 by calling (206) 323-2303 or (800) 897-7697. Details of an October 10 celebratory event in Seattle will be released at a later date.

In addition to Governor Lowry and MAVIA, other local individuals and organizations endorsing the Day of Concern include: Sen. Slade Gorton, Sen. Patty Murray, Seattle Public Schools' Superintendent John Stanford, State Superintendent Judith Billings, the Washington State Safe Schools Advisory Committee, the Seattle Police Department, the Crisis Clinic (Seattle), Peace Action, Washington Ceasefire, the Washington Education Association, the Washington State Parent Teachers Association, and the Washington State Physicians for Social Responsibility.

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The State of Washington

Proclamation

WHEREAS, juvenile gun violence in the United States has reached epidemic proportions. Four times as many juveniles were killed with a gun in 1994 than in 1984. Between 1989 and 1994, juvenile arrest rates for murder increased 40.5 percent. American teenage males in all racial and ethnic groups are more likely to die from gunshot wounds than from all natural causes combined; and

WHEREAS, in Washington State, 521 youths aged 21 and younger died from gunfire from 1990 to 1994; and

WHEREAS, young people are our state's and nation's most important resource. We, as a society, have a vested interest to ensure that children enjoy a happy, healthy childhood free from fear and violence; and

WHEREAS, the increased availability of and access to guns by juveniles has had devastating consequences in schools and communities. Fights that once were fought with fists have become deadly encounters with guns; and

WHEREAS, young people can help chart a new, non-violent direction for Washington State by taking responsibility for their own decisions and actions, and by positively influencing the decisions and actions of others; and

WHEREAS, students in every school district in Washington are invited to participate in a statewide observance and be significant forces in a wave of positive social change; and

WHEREAS each and every student can make a difference, make an important choice by voluntarily signing a pledge, promising to: never take a gun to school, never use a gun to resolve a dispute, and use their influence to keep friends from using guns to settle disputes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 10, 1996, as

Day of Concern About Young People and Gun Violence

in Washington State, and I urge all citizens to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 22nd day of August, 1996,

Mike Lowry

Governor Mike Lowry

Minnesota Department of Health
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August 30, 1996

Ms. Mary Lewis Grow
Student Pledge Against Gun Violence
1009 Prospect Drive
Northfield, Minnesota 55057

Dear Ms. Grow:

I am writing to express my strong support for the Student Pledge Against Gun Violence, which you are coordinating for October 10. The health consequences of firearm violence for young people are frightening. Your efforts will go a long way toward encouraging youth in our communities to wage a strong battle against gun violence. I intend to encourage our local public health partners in Minnesota to participate in pledge activities, and I hope other state health departments will do likewise.

It is important for every student, from middle school to high school, to take the Pledge Against Gun Violence on October 10. As public health professionals, we have an obligation to be leaders in bringing communities and the nation together to stop gun violence.

I commend you for your hard work on this campaign, and I offer you my strongest support.

Sincerely,

Anne M. Barry
Commissioner

Minnesota Children

Minnesota Department of Children, Families & Learning

September 14, 1996

Dear Superintendents:

As the school year begins, we must renew our efforts to ensure that Minnesota schools are safe learning environments for all students. Towards that end I wish to endorse and encourage your participation in the Student Pledge Against Gun Violence, to be held October 10.

As you well know, even the perception of weapons in or around a school can make it difficult for students and staff to engage in the essential activity of learning, and we are all aware of the impact that gun violence has had in our state. Students must be involved in the solutions for all the challenges facing society, and gun violence is no exception.

Enclosed is information on the Pledge. This national initiative was started in Minnesota, and has the endorsement of the entire United States Senate. Please share this material with your middle and high school students. Encourage them to initiate the pledge and organize activities and discussions about gun violence prevention and peacemaking in their schools.

Thank you for the work that you and your staff do to educate the children of Minnesota. It is my hope that this initiative will support current efforts in schools and communities to make our state safer.

Sincerely

Bruce H. Johnson

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Commissioner

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DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ENDORSES STUDENT DAY OF CONCERN ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE AND GUN VIOLENCE

B-1 NEW BUSINESS: BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Krop inquired about the district's automatic calling service which calls parents when their children are absent from school. He requested staff to provide a report to the Board on the effectiveness of the program.

He also reported that the Board received a memorandum from Mr. Pat Tornillo, United Teachers of Dade, requesting that the district participate in the upcoming National Student Pledge Day. This involves students taking a pledge not to use guns. During the Board's discussion of this issue, Superintendent Alan Oikes stated that Associate Superintendent Henry Fraind has provided a resolution for October 10, 1996, regarding this issue. Mr. Oikes then read the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 96-21
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROCLAIMING OCTOBER 10, 1996
"A DAY OF NATIONAL CONCERN ABOUT
YOUNG PEOPLE AND GUN VIOLENCE"

WHEREAS, gun violence increasingly threatens our society, our young people, and our schools; and

WHEREAS, through the mass media, society often glorifies guns and the use of force in settling disputes; and

WHEREAS, education is the best way to counter the proliferation of guns and violence in our society and schools; and

WHEREAS, Dade County Public Schools is a longtime advocate and teacher of gun safety and the peaceful resolution of conflicts; and

WHEREAS, Dade County Public Schools has one of the nation's strictest and most successful policies against the possession of guns on campus; and

WHEREAS, three U.S. senators have sponsored a Senate Resolution calling for "A Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence," to be observed in schools throughout America on October 10, 1996;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Dade County, Florida, proclaim October 10, 1996 as "A Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence."

A copy of this resolution is placed in the permanent records of this board.

Presented this eleventh day of September, A.D. 1996

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

/s/ G. Holmes Braddock
Chair

A few press clippings

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Officials urge kids to 'say no' to guns

Bradley sponsors 'day of concern'

By STEVEN T. WALKER

While playing video games with his cousin in a Newark deli, 9-year-old Radee Thompson's life was changed forever.

Radee and 7-year-old Natazha Thompson were wounded May 29 when thugs sprayed the store with gunfire. Radee suffered a pierced liver and a collapsed lung. Natazha was hit in the shoulder.

"More kids need to leave guns alone, because no guns are good," the bashful third-grader said yesterday.

Radee joined Sen. Bill Bradley (D-N.J.), Paterson Mayor William Pascrell, University Hospital officials and community activists in Newark yesterday in speaking out against the high incidence of gun violence among youngsters in urban areas. At University Hospital, plans were announced for schoolchildren across the country to pledge to forsake gun violence on a day of national concern.

"Violence involving young people is occurring at an epidemic proportion," Bradley said. "By meeting today, we are trying to turn around the culture of youngsters and show that a crisis exists and that we must stop the violence."

In an attempt to draw attention to youth violence, the Senate on Aug. 2 passed a resolution sponsored by Bradley declaring Oct. 10 a "Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence." The senator said yesterday's event served as a prelude to the day.

"If we have literally hundreds of thousands of young people on Oct. 10 across the country raising their hands and taking that pledge ... then we will have begun," Bradley said.

Dr. Robert Johnson, director of UMDNJ's division of adolescent and young adult medicine, echoed Bradley's concerns.

"Health care has to expand beyond simply sewing things up and taking care of wounds for this to end," said Johnson, whose division sponsors outreach programs in Newark, Orange and Paterson.

"We have to end the cycle of violence," Johnson said. "If it does not end and we get the weapons off the street, we are headed towards the doom and mayhem that will ultimately destroy all of us."

Hashim Garrett, a 20-year-old victim of a drive-by shooting and a violence-prevention coordinator for the Kessler Institute in West Orange, said he lost the use of his legs when he was shot six times while talking to a friend in Brooklyn.

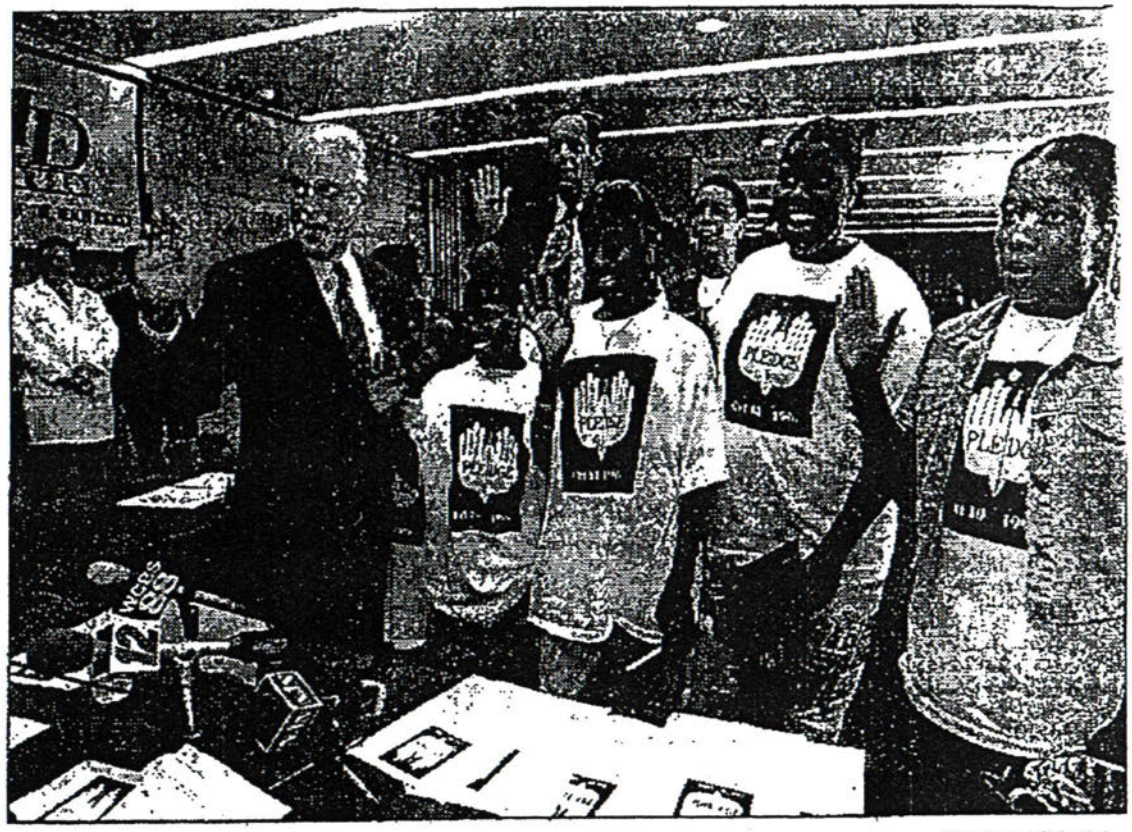

Photo by Jack S. Kanthal

Youngsters from Newark take an anti-gun pledge with help from Paterson Mayor William Pascrell, left, and Sen. Bill Bradley, in background. Standing next to Pascrell is shootong victim Radee Thompson.

Now a junior at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, Garrett said more youngsters have to participate in anti-violence efforts. He said youngsters and adults should participate in pre-conflict programs and treat violence as a health hazard, not just isolated incidents.

"It's better to walk away (from arguments) so you can live another day," said Garrett, who spoke from a wheelchair. "Learn how to deal with your anger. I know it's hard to do that sometimes because you don't want to be disrespected, but sometimes you do have to listen to your parents."

As Radee and Natazha recover from their wounds, 20-year-old Ahmad Hughes and 18-year-old Raymond Parish await a September court date on charges of second-degree aggravated assault, third-degree possession of a weapon and possession of a weapon for unlawful purposes.

STAR TRIBUNE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23 • 1996

Northfield woman spurs national day of concern about guns, youth

By Norman Draper
Star Tribune Staff Writer

It stands to reason that the state that gave us Sober Cab for holiday drinkers, the Great American Smokeout to spur efforts to stop smoking and TV Busters to wean us from our video habits would get around to guns in the schools.

It's a Minnesotan — Mary Lewis Grow, a 55-year-old Northfield opponent of gun violence — who will be among those sharing the podium with U.S. Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., today in Newark, N.J., to announce the designation of a day of national concern about guns and youth. The Oct. 10 observance will feature a pledge for secondary-school students that commits them never to use guns or take them to school, and to influence their friends not to use guns.

Grow, who has worked on ways to fight gun violence since the late 1980s, said she tossed the idea around a couple of years ago with Judy Farmer, a Minneapolis school board member, and Betty Jo Webb, the school district's director of family and community services.

"We thought that while there is a national focus on the issue of gun violence, it would be wonderful if kids could be connected by some kind of contract or pledge, like Students Against Drunk Driving," who pledge not to drink and drive, Grow said.

She was one of the organizers two years ago of a silent march in Washington, D.C., to protest gun violence. It also featured 38,000 pairs of shoes, arranged in march formation near the Capitol, to symbolize the people killed by guns each year in the United States.

The idea of the pledge and observance concentrating on kids percolated and, through the efforts of Grow and others, gradually made its way to councils and organizations around the nation.

But, Grow noted, a big national plug was needed to get it off the ground. That came when she was prowling the U.S. Senate offices, trying to drum up support. She flagged down Bradley in the hall; he responded enthusiastically.

Last month, with the bipartisan backing of Bradley and 83 other U.S. senators — including Minnesota's Paul Wellstone and Rod Grams, Massachusetts' Ted Kennedy, South Carolina's Strom Thurmond and North Carolina's Jesse Helms — a resolution was approved to designate Oct. 10 as the Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence.

Grow said she hopes that publicity and the pledges will serve as the catalyst for nationwide discussions about gun violence. She said she wants to see activities not just in urban schools, where guns are a more visible problem, but in suburban and rural districts as well.

"I've always felt there is a lot of power in simultaneity," Grow said. "People get a sense of strength from the idea that they're one of many doing the same thing at the same time."

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by L.B. Shriver

Teens & Guns: A Student Pledge

October 10th: Civic Leaders Sponsor "A Day of National Concern"

With handgun-related violence on the rise nearly everywhere, it should have surprised no one that it would also be on the rise in the nation's schools. Still, people in all walks of life have been shocked to learn that playgrounds have become killing grounds, and that no one is now too young or too innocent to be a victim. Between 1989 and 1994, juvenile arrest rates for murder rose by 42 percent.

Until recently, most proposals to take action against the problem have been law-enforcement centered: more police, tougher gun laws, tighter security at schools. So far nothing has produced results. This fall a new approach is being tried, and it aims to empower the young people who are at greatest risk from violence in our schools and on our streets—the students themselves.

On October 10th across the U.S. a pledge will be distributed to middle-through-high school students, who will be asked to sign it. The pledge is a simple one. It is a voluntary promise that those who sign will never carry a gun to school, will never attempt to resolve a dispute with a gun, and will use their influence with their friends to keep them from trying to resolve disputes with a gun.

The project grew out of the belief that an idea gathers force when people know that it's not just a "random blip on the screen." The knowledge that millions of students will be participating on the same day gives the pledge added significance.

Earlier this year, U.S. Senators Bill Bradley (D—MN), Arlen Specter (R—PA), and Paul Wellstone (D—MN) sponsored a Senate resolution calling for a "Day of National Concern About Young People and Gun Violence" and national distribution of the pledge. The idea drew widespread support. By the time the resolution came to a vote, it had more than 60 sponsors.

In preparation for the Day of National Concern, it has been suggested that schools, families, and religious organizations could undertake various activities:

- Art teachers could ask students to design posters or create quilt squares in memory of someone they know or have heard of who has been shot.
- English teachers could encourage writing projects such as essays, poems, or song lyrics.
- Science teachers could lead students to plant daffodils, or trees, in memory of those who have been shot—as a gesture of commitment to life and to a better future.
- Social Studies teachers could invite an emergency room physician to speak to students about how it feels to lose a gunshot victim on the operating table—and how it feels to inform the parents of their loss.

However, schools and communities are free to organize activities of their choice. The event offers a challenge to the creativity of the participants, and each locality can decide what it wants to do. What is common to all schools is the date—October 10th—and the pledge.

The Day of Concern also presents an opportunity for older students to play an important role in the eyes of their younger brothers and sisters. Big brothers and sisters are usually looked up to by smaller children who may be confused and frightened by the violent atmosphere they are growing up in. No one wants to see a little brother or sister get hurt, and by helping to educate them about the dangers of firearms, older students may be protecting the younger children from injury or death.

Reading to younger children is one way of informing them about safe behavior with respect to guns. Two recent books carry the message to different age groups. Sherri Chessen's *The Gorp's Gift* (for pre-school and lower elementary grades) warns children in verse and drawings to assume that any gun they see may be loaded, and asks them to promise not to touch guns. *Just One Flick of a Finger*, by Marybeth Lorbiecki, is for older elementary school children. It tells the story of a boy who takes a gun to school and accidentally shoots a friend.

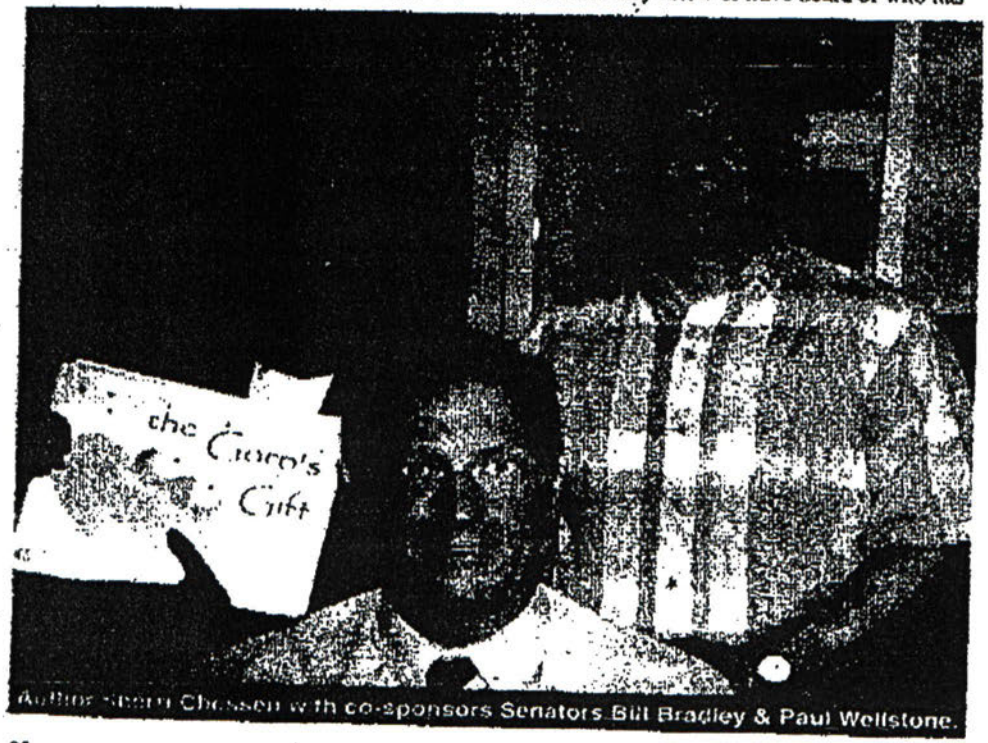
Sherri Chessen's book can be ordered from Southern Publishing Group: 1-800-628-0903.

Marybeth Lorbiecki's book can be ordered from Dial Publishing, at 1-800-526-0275.

As a measure of the effectiveness of the Day of Concern, students in each classroom where the pledges are distributed will collect and count the signed pledges. Then students will count the total for their school. Totals will be reported to the Student Pledge Against Gun Violence, 1009 Prospect Drive, Northfield, MN 55057. No names will be recorded at any time.

Supporting organizations include: the American Federation of Teachers, National Education Association, National Association of Secondary School Principals, Parents and Teachers Association, Mothers Against Violence in America, Center to Prevent Handgun Violence, Coalition to Stop Gun Violence Education Fund, and mainstream church denominations.

A web site has been established to provide further information and to receive suggestions: http://www.pledge.org



Author Sherri Chessen with co-sponsors Senators Bill Bradley & Paul Wellstone.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20500

DATE: 10/1/96

TO: Elena Kagan

FROM: Staff Secretary

Here's the current draft of the family violence directive.

Any comments?

Helen

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

SUBJECT: Guidelines to States for Implementing the Family Violence Provisions

Domestic violence has a devastating impact on families and communities. Each year, hundreds of thousands of Americans are subjected to assault, rape, or murder at the hands of an intimate family member. Our children's futures are severely threatened by the fact that they live in homes with domestic violence. We know that children who grow up with such violence are more likely to become victims or batterers themselves. The violence in our homes is self-perpetuating and eventually it spills into our schools, our communities, and our workplaces.

Domestic violence can be particularly damaging to women and children in low-income families. The profound mental and physical effects of domestic violence can often interfere with victims' efforts to pursue education or employment -- to become self-sufficient and independent. Moreover, it is often the case that the abusers themselves fight to keep their victims from becoming independent.

As we reform our Nation's welfare system, we must make sure that welfare-to-work programs across the country have the tools and the training necessary to help battered women move successfully into the work force and become self-sufficient.

For these reasons, I strongly encourage States to implement the ~~attached~~ Wellstone/Murray Family Violence provisions of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996 (Public Law 104-193, section 402(a)(7)). These provisions invite States to increase services for battered women through welfare programs and help these women move successfully and permanently into the workplace. The Family Violence provisions are critical in responding to the unique needs faced by women and families subjected to domestic violence.

As we move forward on our historical mission to reform the welfare system, this Administration is committed to offering States assistance in their efforts to implement the Family Violence provisions.

Accordingly, I direct the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Attorney General to develop guidance for ~~to~~ States to assist and facilitate the implementation of the Family Violence provisions. In crafting this guidance, the Departments of Health and Human Services and Justice should work with States, domestic violence experts, victims' services programs, law enforcement, medical professionals, and others involved in fighting domestic violence. ~~This guidance~~ These agenci should recommend standards and procedures that will help make transitional assistance programs fully responsive to the needs of battered women.

The Secretary of Health and Human Services is further directed to provide States with technical assistance as they work to implement the Family Violence provisions.

Finally, to more accurately study the scope of the problem, we should examine statutory rape, domestic violence, and sexual assault as threats to safety and barriers to self-sufficiency. I therefore direct the Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make it a priority to understand the incidence of statutory rape, domestic violence, and sexual assault in the lives of poor families, and to recommend the best assessment, referral, and delivery models to improve safety and self-sufficiency for poor families who are victims of domestic violence.

I ask the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Attorney General to report to me in writing 90 days from the date of this memorandum on the specific progress that has been made toward these goals.

Dear Bill,

although I'm strongly pro-choice on the abortion issue I've been concerned about the so-called partial birth abortion procedure. As a result I've been asking a lot of questions, especially during the last two or three months. I recently was introduced to and had a chance to visit with Albert DeZoutter, editor of the Catholic Key, a catholic publication for the Kansas City, MO Diocese. He is a strong Clinton supporter and admirer but he is very much opposed to partial birth abortion and told me that his catholic friends and indeed, all religious catholics are opposed to this procedure.

Consequently I promised him to look into this. I actually at that time defended the procedure, believing that obstetricians wouldn't do this operation unless it was

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cessary to save the mothers life. Did talked with Ob-Gyn Colleagues here in Harrison and talked at length with the Chairman of the Dept of Ob-Gyn at the U.A.M.S. in Little Rock and all were opposed to this procedure. Partial birth abortions aren't done at the U.A.M.S. as policy. The rationale is that if the mothers life is endangered in the third trimester by eclampsia (toxemia of pregnancy) or heart failure C-section should be done instead of killing the fetus and delivering vaginally.

I know that you must have been given substantial advice to the contrary but from my own experience and especially as a result of the opinion of Gynecologists here in Arkansas I wonder if partial birth abortion is the right thing to do medically?

Mary Jean joins me in wishing you the very best. The polls look great at present and we pray that they stay that way until election day. She and I are sincerely grateful for

your friendship and thoughtful note asking her to be one of our Kansas presidential electors.

As you know she had open heart surgery in June with a double bypass operation and is recovering better than expected.

We're working hard to elect Winston Bryant to the Senate as well as for our new candidate Ann Henry, for the 3rd congressional district. She's coming to Harrison today for a rally. I want you to know that I'm putting up Clinton - Gore signs (yard signs) in my spare time and enjoying doing it. Best of luck on the debates and for your reelection. We have reservation for and are looking forward to your second inauguration.

Sincerely,

Joe

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Dear Mr. President,

I saw your lawn news conference over the weekend and watched as you walked toward the helicopter with what looked like the weight of the world on your shoulders. I'm sure you must feel just like that! Yet, your measured response to the latest middle East crisis is proving to be the best one (Newt and the nay-sayers to the contrary) a

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Take care of this house, be always on call,
For this house is the hope of us all.

I think the "house" is in good hands. You and Hillary are in my prayers.

Sincerely,

John Yarrington

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I have finished your new book - it is wonderful. You spell out clearly your vision for the country and I think the American people recognize and support that vision. As I said in an earlier letter: I can hardly wait to pull that lever in November.

The Arkansas Chamber Singers (a 48 voice, auditioned choir) is present a program entitled "An American Mosaic" which has a lot of music by Leonard Bernstein featured. One of the songs is from a little-known musical called **1600 Pennsylvania Avenue** which has such an intriguing text, I thought you might enjoy it:

(Lyrics by Alan Jay Lerner)

Take care of this house, keep it from harm,
if bandits break in, sound the alarm.
Care for this house, shine it by hand
and keep it so clean the glow can be seen
all over the land.

Be careful at night, check all the doors.
If someone makes off with a dream,
The dream will be yours.

Take care of this house, be always on call,
For this house is the hope of us all.

I think the "house" is in good hands. You and Hillary are in my prayers.

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National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA

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Office of the
General Secretary

September 30, 1996

President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
Washington DC 20002

Mr. President,

I am calling to your attention the attached statement on peace in the Middle East. The statement has been circulated to all the Heads of Communion of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA. Because of the timeline of this issue I am sending this statement to you now and will send tomorrow the additional signatures.

Our prayers are with you in these difficult hours. In all three Abrahamic faiths, peacemaking is a high calling. The Lord bless you in this task.

Faithfully,

Joan Brown Campbell

(The Rev. Dr.) Joan Brown Campbell
General Secretary

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National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA

Office of the
General Secretary

September 30, 1996

President William Jefferson Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. President,

In recent days we have been deeply saddened by the tragic loss of life, and indeed of hope itself, in the Holy Land. It is out of this concern that we are writing to you in anticipation of the meeting to be held in Washington, DC between the Israeli and Palestinian leadership. We are writing as heads of churches in the United States that have their own attachment to Jerusalem, and that enjoy a close relationship with the churches of the Middle East, including those of Jerusalem. We, and members of our churches, have long worked a peaceful and just resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian issue. Many of us were present at that historic moment on the White House lawn when the late Prime Minister Rabin and Chairman Arafat signed the agreement that we all hoped would be a foundation for future peace in a troubled region.

The occasion for the upcoming meeting in Washington, unfortunately, is not such an auspicious moment. It comes after violent confrontations between Israelis and Palestinians and ominous indications that the fragile peace between Israel and the Palestinians, and, indeed, between Israel and the Arab world, has begun to unravel.

In the meeting that is to be held, we would hope that the United States, as a sponsor of the peace process, would play an active role in bringing the parties back to the negotiating table. In the past, the United States was influential in initiating the Madrid process, and has facilitated the various agreements that have flowed from the Declaration of Principles agreed to in Oslo. We would urge you to exert your personal influence, and that of the U.S. government, in assuring that meaningful dialogue between the Israeli and Palestinian leadership resumes.

In addition to our concern about resuming the process of negotiations we also have substantive concerns.

1. We believe that the changes in the status quo of the holy places initiated by the government of Israel are in violation of both the spirit and the letter of the Oslo agreement. The status of Jerusalem is to be negotiated, not determined by unilateral actions. The Temple Mount/Haram al-Sharif, in particular, is an area of extreme sensitivity both for the residents of Jerusalem itself and for adherents of Judaism and Islam throughout the world. The precedent of altering the status quo of the Temple Mount is also disturbing to Christians who fear that their holy places may be affected as well. We hope that you will convince Prime Minister Netanyahu that the new tunnel that abuts this holy site, and has been carved out under other Islamic institutions, should be closed.

2. We further believe that the agreements already signed by Israel and the Palestinians should be implemented, including the redeployment of Israeli troops from the city of Hebron. The postponement of this redeployment has undermined the credibility of the agreements and, indeed, of the peace process.

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3. The expansion of Israeli settlements, again in violation of the Oslo agreements, and also of understandings reached with the Bush administration, has both deprived Palestinians of land and homes, and has led them to doubt the sincerity of Israel in its commitment to the peace process. We hope that you will make clear to all the parties that the United States stands by its position that such settlements are both illegal and an obstacle to peace.

4. The United States, as well, has a responsibility to keep its promises to provide assistance to the Palestinian Authority as it attempts to build or repair the infrastructure of the autonomous areas. It is essential that, with the help of Israel, the unacceptable unemployment rate of Gaza, for example, be ameliorated so that people there will feel that they have a future in their homeland, and that this future is dependent on, and assured by, peace with Israel.

Both Israelis and Palestinians have suffered from the recent violence. Our hearts and prayers are with the many who have suffered injury and death and their grieving families, whether Jewish, Christian or Muslim. We fear that both Israelis and Palestinians will suffer more losses if the underlying causes of the violence are not addressed. We urge you to play the role of friend to both parties, to encourage the best instincts of both Israelis and Palestinians, and where necessary, nudge them toward acceptance of each other and an understanding of each others' concerns.

What is needed now is not the belligerent repetition of fixed positions, but a genuine striving for agreement and compromise. Our prayers will be with you as you host this important meeting, and with the leaders who will attend it. We join the Christians of Jerusalem in their prayer, "We ask God to fill our hearts and minds with love, strength, and all that is good, so that our region, our country and our Jerusalem will have the peace for which we all strive and pray."

Sincerely,

(The Rev. Dr.) Joan Brown Campbell
General Secretary, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA

(The Most Rev.) Edmond L. Browning
Presiding Bishop and Primate, The Episcopal Church of the United States

(The Rev. Dr.) Richard L. Hamm
General Minister and President
Christian Church, Disciples of Christ

(The Rev.) Clifton Kirkpatrick
Stated Clerk, Presbyterian Church USA

(The Rev. Dr.) Paul Sherry
President, United Church of Christ

more signatures to follow

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Date : September 30, 1996

For : Betty Currie

Subject : Material requested by Don Fowler

Don Fowler requested that I send the President a copy of the material enclosed (see his note attached).

Also, if you can, please let the President know that both my son Josh and I enjoyed see him for a few moments at the Annual ~~Senate Dinner~~ and Josh hopes that he liked the "Georgetown/Clinton-Gore" shirt he gave him.

If there is a need to reach me you may do so at the numbers above or via pager at 800-SKY-PAGE Pin# 2291309.

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WIN IN '96
Democratic National Committee

Donald L. Fowler
Chair, Democratic National Committee

19 Sep 96

Howard,

Call Elaine Kamarck in the Vice President's Office. She will know how to proceed & she should send her background info. Send a copy of your letter to Elaine to both the Pres. and Vice Pres.

Don

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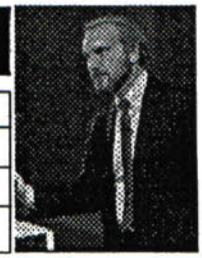

Date : September 30, 1996

For : Elaine Kamark, Office of the Vice President

Subject : Proposal for the establishment of a National Software Competitiveness Council

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Don Fowler contacted me and requested that I send you material relating to my proposal for the establishment of a National Software Competitiveness Council (NSCC). Don has indicated that you know how to proceed to move this idea along toward implementation. He also requested that I send a copy of this memo to both the President and Vice President.

In terms of background, I first brought this idea to the attention of the President during a luncheon meeting in December, 1995 and he expressed interest in it and asked me to stay personally in touch with him on this matter. In addition, I discussed the idea in detail with the Vice President in June and sent him a follow-up proposal memo (which is attached to this document along with other relevant materials).

My basic proposal is that the NSCC be chartered as a Federal Advisory Committee (FAC) to address the issue of the United States' competitiveness in the area of software engineering and software development. In my view, the ability to effectively and efficiently develop and implement large scale software systems is a "core national competency" of the information age and is needed to ensure the long-term productivity and competitiveness of all sectors of the economy of our nation.

It is my impression that both the President and Vice President support this idea. The President told me at his birthday reception in New York last month the he intended to discuss this further with the Vice President when time allowed.

Thanks in advance for your assistance. If you need to reach me, you may do so at the numbers on the letterhead or via pager at 1-800-SKY-PAGE, Pin#2291309.

cc: President Bill Clinton ✓
Vice President Al Gore

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Date : June 20, 1996

For : Vice President Al Gore

Subject : National Software Competitiveness Council

As a follow-up to my discussion with you yesterday afternoon, here is my proposal for the establishment of a National Software Competitiveness Council (NSCC) which builds on the work of the Defense Department organization called the Software Program Managers Network (SPMN), chartered by the Principal Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology and the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence.

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The data I have gathered from my worldwide software engineering benchmarking activities indicates that we are rapidly losing our competitive position... U.S. software development productivity is dropping; the unit cost of software production in the U.S. is rising; software "piece work" is rapidly moving offshore. More importantly, the U.S. is losing the capability and capacity to develop and implement the large scale software systems needed to bring industry, government, and defense into the next millennium. My findings are corroborated by research provided by the SPMN which indicates:

- About 32,000 software graduates from U.S. colleges and universities are entering the U.S. labor market each year to fill an estimated 195,000 software job openings due to new jobs and to replace persons who retire. These numbers are projected to continue or to get worse through 2000 depending on whether the steady decline in computer software graduates in the U.S. that began in 1985 continues. There were 30 percent fewer college graduates in software majors in 1992-1993 than in 1985-1986. As a percent of total degrees offered, the decline was 42 percent.
- 60% or more of the U.S. software workforce do not have the skills needed to develop today's software.

A joint government, industry, and university alliance must be organized to address all these issues immediately. Using the model developed by Norm Brown of the SPMN, the NSCC should be formed to face this national challenge with the charter of:

- identifying underlying factors which affect U.S. software competitiveness
- developing a national strategic plan
- maintaining information for competitive calibration and benchmarking of our software competitiveness
- defining and coordinating potential changes to policy, regulation, and law
- fostering government, industry, and university collaboration in the development and implementation of academic programs supporting our national needs
- communicating and enhancing awareness of the issues challenging our competitiveness in the information age

Fortunately, the elements of this alliance are already in place. Preliminary groundwork has elicited the support of companies such as Xerox, Motorola, Loral, Pitney Bowes, Logicon, Boeing, and Intel; universities such as Auburn, University of Maryland, Ohio State, University of Colorado, Johns Hopkins, Cornell, Berkely, Penn State, MIT; and agencies such as DoD, USAF, USN Space & Electronic Warfare Directorate.

However, it is my understanding that government and non-government people cannot work together to solve this problem unless the proposed NSCC is formally charted as a Federal Advisory Committee. It is also my understanding that the OMB has put strict limits on the number of FACs that each agency can establish. The DoD has already reached its limit of FACs and therefore it will take White House action to establish the NSCC and activate it.

From our discussion yesterday, I believe that you share my view that this is a critical issue for our nation. I am willing to volunteer my time, energy, and worldwide research and data resources to support this effort. Please let me know what I must do next.

attachment: Dr. Howard A. Rubin, biography

cc : David Strauss
Norm Brown, SPMN

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September 19, 1996

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Dear Mr. President:

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Dr. Melvin S. Stern
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I hope that you will not consider this request an imposition. Thank you very much.

Speaking of mothers and babies in hospitals, I wanted also to thank you for helping to save the life of a baby who is very dear to us. Do you remember Lori Bliss, who worked for us as our nanny for so many years? She married an Annapolis graduate, and until recently was living on the Sasebo naval base in Japan. In August her first child, Isaac Massey, was born five weeks before term with a very rare and very serious heart ailment known as Epstein's Anomaly. We were told by a top pediatrician at Johns

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I am writing with regard to the bill which would enable a woman to stay in the hospital for 48 hours after delivering a baby. Our pediatrician Dr. Melvin Stern originated in the Maryland Senate the bill on which the federal legislation is modeled. Dr. Stern has been working on this issue for years, and spent a great deal of time promoting the bill in the Maryland Senate. He is thrilled that you have put your support behind federal legislation. Dr. Stern is a long-time supporter of yours. Speaking from the barn of the working farm on which his practice is located, he was one of the stars of the Maryland for Clinton video I made for the last campaign.

I would be most grateful if you would invite Dr. Stern to the bill signing for the 48 hour legislation, when it takes place. As an original proponent of the idea, it would mean so much to him. His address and telephone numbers are as follows:

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Hopkins that the baby was in danger of dying and needed to be flown immediately to an advanced U.S. hospital. (Lori had delivered in a remote Japanese hospital where no one spoke English). Jamie Gorelick helped to put us in touch with top naval officers, who then arranged to have Lori, her husband Dan and the baby flown by Medevac to San Diego. Isaac has had a temporary shunt operation at Children's Hospital in San Diego, and will be under observation for the next three months until he is undergoes open-heart surgery.

Lori has said that they have received superb care both at the Balboa military hospital and at Children's Hospita. She has thanked us for helping her, but I have said that we all should thank you. Being the newest F.O.B. may well have saved Isaac's life!

I know you will be traveling frequently to California before the election. If, by any chance, you are at the naval base in San Diego, and have a spare moment (unlikely, I know), Isaac has been at Balboa Navy Hospital and Lori and Dan have been staying at Fisher House nearby (tel. 619-532-8993). Isaac has been steadily improving, after fighting valiantly for his life in the first two weeks. Thank you so much for helping to give him a chance to live.

As soon as I have collected all the correct ranks and names of the people who helped Lori along the way from Sasebo to San Diego, I will send them to you in an official letter. Before then, though, I thought you might like to hear the story.

I hope you are having as much fun campaigning as you appear to be. Great work on the protection of the Utah land! Our grandchildren's grandchildren will thank you.

We are doing all we can to help you, and we are looking forward to celebrating on November 5th!

Very best regards,

Cynthia

Cynthia P. Schneider

I was able to see Hillary for a few minutes on Monday night in Baltimore. As always, she was terrific, and electrified the crowd.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Carrie Wofford

OFFICE OF THE STAFF SECRETARY

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

SUBJECT: Guidelines to States for Implementing the Family Violence Provisions

Domestic violence has a devastating impact on families and communities. Each year, hundreds of thousands of Americans are subjected to assault, rape, or murder at the hands of an intimate family member. Our children's futures are severely threatened by the fact that they live in homes with domestic violence. We know that children who grow up with such violence are more likely to become victims or batterers themselves. The violence in our homes is self-perpetuating and eventually it spills into our schools, our communities, and our workplaces.

Domestic violence can be particularly damaging to women and children in low-income families. The profound mental and physical effects of domestic violence can often interfere with victims' efforts to pursue education or employment -- to become self-sufficient and independent. Moreover, it is often the case that the abusers themselves fight to keep their victims from becoming independent.

As we reform our Nation's welfare system, we must make sure that welfare-to-work programs across the country have the tools, the training, and the flexibility necessary to help battered women move successfully into the work force and become self-sufficient.

For these reasons, I strongly encourage States to implement the Wellstone/Murray Family Violence provisions of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act (PRWORA) of 1996 (Public Law 104-193, section 402(a)(7)). These provisions invite States to increase services for battered women through welfare programs and help these women move successfully and permanently into the workplace. The Family Violence provisions are critical in responding to the unique needs faced by women and families subjected to domestic violence.

As we move forward on our historical mission to reform the welfare system, this Administration is committed to offering States assistance in their efforts to implement the Family Violence provisions.

Accordingly, I direct the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services and the Attorney General to develop guidance for States to assist and facilitate the implementation of the Family Violence provisions. In crafting this guidance, the Departments of Health and Human Services and Justice should work with States, domestic violence experts, victims' services programs, law enforcement, medical professionals, and others involved in fighting domestic violence. These agencies should recommend standards and procedures that will help make transitional assistance programs fully responsive to the needs of battered women.

The Secretary of Health and Human Services is further directed to provide States with technical assistance as they work to implement the Family Violence provisions.

Finally, to more accurately study the scope of the problem, we should examine statutory rape, domestic violence, and sexual assault as threats to safety and barriers to self-sufficiency. I therefore direct the Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to make it a priority to understand the incidence of statutory rape, domestic violence, and sexual assault in the lives of poor families, and to recommend the best assessment, referral, and delivery models to improve safety and self-sufficiency for poor families who are victims of domestic violence.

I ask the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Attorney General to report to me in writing 90 days from the date of this memorandum on the specific progress that has been made toward these goals.

NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH, 1996

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

Domestic violence threatens the very core of what we hold dear. Millions of women and children throughout our nation are plagued by the terror of family violence each year, and approximately 20 percent of all hospital emergency room visits by women result from such violence. Family violence is a crime that transcends race, religion, ethnicity, and economic stature, and one of its greatest tragedies is its effect on our young people: as many as 3 million children witness violence in their homes each year.

We must never give up in our efforts to transform despair into hope for the women and families across this country who suffer violence at home. We must encourage all Americans to increase public awareness and understanding of domestic abuse as well as the needs of its victims. My Administration is fully engaged in this struggle, coordinating our efforts through the Violence Against Women Office at the Department of Justice and through the Department of Health and Human Services.

Legislation enacted during the past several years is also helping to overcome the scourge of domestic violence. The Violence Against Women Act that I signed into law has given law enforcement critical new tools with which to prosecute and punish criminals who intentionally prey upon women and children. The Interstate Stalking Punishment and Prevention Act of 1996, enacted just last month, makes it a Federal crime for any stalker to cross State lines to pursue a victim, whether or not there is a protection order in effect, whether or not an actual act of violence has been committed, and whether or not the stalker is the victim's spouse. And I am pleased that the Congress has just taken action to keep guns out of the hands of people with a history of domestic violence.

My Administration has also worked to increase the support available for battered women and other victims of domestic violence, including the elderly. In February, I announced the creation of a 24-hour, toll-free National Domestic Violence Hotline, 1-800-799-SAFE. The response to this service has been overwhelming, and the hotline has already received over 50,000 calls -- the majority from women and men who have never before reached out for assistance. This year, we will also provide increased and unprecedented resources for battered women's shelters, domestic violence prevention efforts, and children's counseling services.

There is still much more to do, however. The welfare reform legislation that I recently signed recognizes the special needs of domestic violence victims, and I urge all States to accept the option of implementing the new law's Family Violence provisions. I have also directed the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Justice to develop guidance for States and assist them in implementing the provisions. As we help families move from welfare to work, we must ensure that they remain safe from violence in their homes and are given the support they need to achieve independence.

As a result of these and other efforts at the national, State, and local levels, we are one step closer to eliminating domestic violence and building in its place a brighter, more secure future for our families and loved ones. I salute all those whose efforts are helping us in this endeavor and pay special tribute to the survivors of domestic violence whose courage is an inspiration to us all. I urge all Americans to join me in working toward the day when no person raises a hand in violence against a family member.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim October 1996 as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. I call upon all Americans to observe this month by

demonstrating their respect and gratitude for all those individuals who unselfishly share their experiences, skills, and talents with those affected by domestic violence.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this day of , in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-six, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-first.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

cc: w/ incoming:
Lorrie McHugh
- press office

September 23, 1996

Ellen Ratner
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Dear Ellen:

Thanks for your good letter of September 12 and for letting me know more about your ideas for an interview. Though I don't know whether the schedule will allow for it in the coming weeks, I've made Mike McCurry aware of your proposal and asked him to look into it.

My best to Bruce and Julie. See you soon.

Sincerely,

Bruce Lindsey

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September 12, 1995

President William J. Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500-2000

Dear President Clinton:

I missed seeing you at the Thursday night fundraiser night at the convention. I was not feeling well, but I was excited to be a few feet from you during your acceptance speech. My sister-in-law Julie saw you and was as always delighted to get a hug from you. We both think that you are the best of the best. I can't wait till they write the history of the two terms of the Bill Clinton presidency!

In any case, you said you were ready to do an interview, and I have a specific proposal.

I would like to do an interview, similar to the one we did before the 1996 election. , but I want to focus on the book you wrote, and how you see our mission leading into the next century. The focus would be on the last four years and what your administration has done to better the lives of the "Americans who work hard and play by the rules" and how you envision the next four years. Education, Family Leave, Earned Income Tax Credit, and our role in making the world a safer place are the specific areas I would like to discuss. Also, I would like to discuss how we have supported technology that keeps America as the leader for future generations. I would like the interview to be really positive with that wonderful energy that you always project.

Two years ago I was only doing radio, and now I also do some TV for News Talk Television. I would like to tape the interview for TV and also radio. We would use on the following programs:

News Talk Television--

Our Morning Program- Good Day USA-- 140 stations and 150 cable stations that carry audio (75 cable in California, and nine radio stations in Florida.)

The Talk Radio Countdown Show- 70 stations-- we would run it on our weekend show-- Chicago and other larger markets

My Individual stations which include stations in Albany NY, Rochester NY, Columbia MO. Oklahoma, (4 stations) Total: 22 stations

and also **USA Radio Network** which last time took the whole interview and used it for their 24 hour news broadcasts by taking different questions.(1100 stations--many of them Christian)

and the show that we do (both TV and radio) for The Agency for International Development-- we would use the international question on that one.

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We would put the photos and the audio on the Internet-- with Real Audio and leave it there during the campaign. We have at least 14,000 people visiting our home page a month, and we just started to give out our web site on radio.

The interview two years ago got tons of exposure. We still use the photos from it and it is even on our home page.

I hope you will consider the interview. I think it would be great for the American people who listen to talk programs to hear you and your vision for the twenty-first century.

Sincerely,

Ellen Ratner

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Ray Kelly
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September 27, 1996

President Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, DC 20500

Personal and ~~Confidential~~

Dear Mr. President:

As a follow-up to my previous letter, I feel strongly that at this critical time Ray Kelly would be a great person to send to Israel to help resolve the conflict.

He did a great job on his assignment in Haiti and he could do a similar job working with two disparate yet ostensibly cooperative military and police forces in Israel, the West Bank and Gaza. Mr. Kelly carries with him a background of working with Arab and Israeli communities as New York police commissioner.

I couldn't plead with you more. I know you always look beyond your advisers and this conflagration calls for drastic measures and new blood. As you know, Ray Kelly is excellent, he has great credibility and he would do wonders in the Middle East. In addition, I would love to be able to bring my experience and knowledge of the issues to the region, accompanying Mr. Kelly and working with him.

Sincerely,

Noach Dear

I would love to talk to you further about Israel & feel I can be helpful. My analysis of the recent events in Israel and the ~~disaster~~ of the elections were true, I really understand the issues on both sides Regards Noa

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Steve Grossman on Netanyahu & Peace Process

October 1, 1996

President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

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Steve Grossman
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- Regular meetings with Arafat by senior Israeli ministers and Netanyahu's top advisers;
- Easing the closure of the territories by permitting 50,000 Palestinians to work in Israel;
- Continued joint Israeli-Palestinian security patrols and committees;
- Overtures to resume negotiations with Syria and Lebanon;
- Meetings with President Mubarak and King Hussein.

As you know, these positive and pragmatic actions by Netanyahu - especially his decision to come to Washington this week to accelerate the peace talks - were initiated in spite of strong opposition among his supporters. For the Prime Minister to take new steps, he will undoubtedly need your personal support and recognition of the risks involved.

By inviting Netanyahu and his Arab partners to Washington at this critical time, you have once again seized an historic opportunity to advance the peace process at a moment of great challenge. As you sit down with Netanyahu, Arafat and other leaders this week, I am confident that you will adhere to the principles that have guided your Administration for four years: *that you will never allow anyone to drive a wedge between the United States and Israel; that direct negotiations among the parties themselves is the only way to resolve problems; that the parties themselves must resolve their differences without outside pressure; that violence should never be employed to address political differences regardless of frustrations with the negotiating process.*

Prime Minister Netanyahu has committed to lengthy and accelerated peace talks until all current issues, including the sensitive situation in Hebron, are resolved. He is coming to Washington to establish a code of conduct whereby Palestinian leaders cannot engage in negotiations while simultaneously inciting violence against Israelis. He hopes to discuss specific proposals to expand economic opportunities for the Palestinians.

His willingness to come to Washington and speed up negotiations comes with great political risk. The confidence of the Israeli people has been shaken. When Chairman Arafat's security forces began firing at Israeli soldiers last week, they were attacking the core principles of the Oslo agreements: that differences must

be addressed through political channels rather than armed confrontation, and that Palestinians and Israelis would work cooperatively to guarantee each other's security. Now that these principles have been undermined, the Prime Minister and the people of Israel must be reassured that the Palestinian Authority can be relied upon - in words and deeds - to oppose violence and calm fears, not inflame them.

I am certain, Mr. President, that you will help restore the confidence of the Israel people in the peace process. I know that you will make it unequivocally clear that the kind of violence against Israelis we witnessed last week is unacceptable under any circumstances. I trust that you will reassure Prime Minister Netanyahu that the current crisis will not be exploited by the enemies of peace to drive a wedge between the United States and our most reliable ally in the Middle East.

Best personal regards to you and Hillary,

Steven

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN September 30, 1996
10-1-96

Phil Jamison just returned from Israel. Interesting comments

The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500-2000

Dear Bill,

So far so good with the campaign. Hope you are getting to from back home as you make your way around the country

10-1-96

To NSC for response?

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My other observation is that a very unscientific sampling of the average Israeli with whom I came in contact voiced -- without my prompting -- their exasperation with Netanyahu when finding out I was an American. This frustration (and disappointment) with the PM over the deteriorating security situation was expressed by taxi drivers, MoD officials (privately), waitresses, shopkeepers, etc. Of course I did not have contact with the ultra-orthodox religious movement and evidently not with many ardent supporters of Likud. But I still got the feeling that the majority of Israelis wanted the peace process back on track -- they did not want to return to the bad old days.

Regardless of how things turn out over the next few days, you had to try. Good luck.

Sincerely,

Phil

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TO: Nancy Hernreich

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Nancy,

Attached is a note to pass to the President if possible.

Hope you are enjoying the campaign season -- seems to be very successful so far.

I anticipate having some relatives/supporters of the President visit from Tacoma, WA one of the next two weekends. Will check with Rebecca to see if you have room at one of the next two weekly radio addresses.

Thanks.

FAX

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN
10-1-96

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Copy sent to McCurry

September 30, 1996

INTERVIEW WITH *TV GUIDE*

DATE:	October 1, 1996
LOCATION:	Oval Office
TIME:	4:30 p.m.
FROM:	Mike McCurry

I. PURPOSE

You will be interviewed by Steven Reddicliffe, editor-in-chief, and Mary Murphy, senior writer, of *TV Guide*. This interview will provide you with an opportunity to discuss what you have done to 1) improve children's television programming and 2) provide families with better information on the content of t.v. programs.

Through this interview, you will reach an estimated 14 million *TV Guide* readers.

II. BACKGROUND

This is your third interview with *TV Guide*. Your last interview with *TV Guide* in March 1994 was both favorable and fairly straightforward, centering on television violence and the Public Service Announcements you taped regarding violence against children.

You can expect this interview to be as straightforward as the 1994 interview. You will be asked to talk about violence on television and the possibilities of a television ratings system, free television time for candidates, and the impact of television on families today.

You have been an outspoken advocate of directives in television programming. After challenging Congress to pass the Telecommunications Reform Act of 1996, which included the V-chip, you succeeded in getting the legislation signed into law (February 1996). At the signing, you invited members of the media community to meet with you at the White House.

Issues that will be brought up in the interview include:

- **Your family's television-watching habits.** Do you monitor what Chelsea watches on television? What are your favorite television memories? Does your family watch television together?

- **V-chip and regulations on television.** What effect does television violence have on children, and what responsibility do you feel the television industry has to keep violent shows off the air? Can government regulations of what is aired on television be considered censorship?

  What do you think the V-chip and other television regulations will accomplish? What do you think of the television ratings system, which media executives have agreed to put in place by January 1997?

- **Impact of television in our daily lives.** Does television play a role in determining how law enforcement functions, which government policies are enacted, and overall lifestyle of Americans?

  What steps have you taken to assure that television serves an educational, as well as entertaining, role to our nation's families.

- **Role television plays in campaigns.** Has this changed dramatically over the past few years? Is this a good change? What do you think of the free television time concept?

III. PARTICIPANTS

President
Mike McCurry
Steven Reddicliffe, Editor, *TV Guide*
Mary Murphy, Senior Writer, *TV Guide*

IV. PRESS PLAN

Interview is exclusive to *TV Guide*. The interview will run in the issue of *TV Guide* that hits the stands on October 13. A photograph from the interview might run on the cover. The interview will run in a Q&A format in the magazine.

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- Briefing followed by interview

VI. ATTACHMENTS

- Talking points and Qs & As attached.

V-CHIP AND EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION

Q: Your administration supported the V-chip and the FCC rule that requires TV stations to air three hours of children's educational programming per week. How do you justify such intrusions into TV content in light of the First Amendment?

A: Neither the V-chip nor the children's television rule intrude on First Amendment rights. The V-chip, after all, is just an extension of the remote control -- it allows parents to turn off certain programs when the parents aren't home or aren't in the TV room. As long as the television industry, not the government, provides the ratings -- as the industry has agreed to do -- I don't see how there is a First Amendment problem.

As for the children's three-hour rule, the Children's Television Act requires broadcasters to serve the educational and informational needs of children. The guidelines adopted by the FCC, which both the Administration and the broadcasters agreed with, clarify what broadcasters must do to show they have complied with the Act. The Supreme Court has consistently treated children as a special, protected class, and the FCC action falls squarely within that approach.

Q: Do you really think the V-chip will protect children from what you see as excess sex and violence on TV? Do you advocate the return of the family viewing hour? Do you support Senator Hollings's proposed ban on violent TV programming during all but late night hours?

A: The V-chip will help parents to guide their children's viewing -- I don't think it will necessarily reduce excess violence or sex on television, but I do think that it will help parents to limit the amount of adult material that their children see. So it will reduce the overall amount of excess violence and sexual content that children see on television.

I am supportive of efforts by the broadcast industry to provide more family-oriented, positive programming in the early evening. But I have not supported legislation to force a "Family Viewing Hour" in prime time.

Q: In the wake of the FCC's adoption of the three-hour kids TV requirement, should the FCC impose other specific public interest obligations on TV stations? Free political advertising time, for instance? How would that square with the First Amendment?

A: Broadcasters using the public airwaves have always been required to serve the public interest, and that has never posed a First Amendment problem. The nature of that obligation has changed over time. As we move to digital transmission and increase the capacity and efficiency of broadcasts, it may be appropriate to expand the public service obligations in certain ways, including free time for political debate and advertising.

IMPACT OF HIGH TECHNOLOGY NEWS GATHERING

Q: What do you think of this new world of high-tech news gathering?

A: Technology has a big impact on news coverage, especially by local stations. Local affiliates now play a much more prominent role on national campaigns, because technology such as satellites make it possible for them to get their own feeds of what's going on in Washington -- or anywhere. When I do satellite interviews with local news stations, I know I will get questions about national and local issues, and what impact national issues have on local communities.

TV AND POLITICIANS

Q: What do you think of the television coverage of modern politicians?

A: I suppose everyone in public life thinks that television news should be more positive about their achievements. I think it would be better if the news included more information about the issues and more time for the candidates speaking on the issues.

So much of the news coverage focuses on the process end of politics, talking about polls and supposed campaign strategies. I know that people are a lot more interested in the substantive questions: what difference will this campaign make in my life? What do these candidates have to say to my family? And frankly, I think people might like to hear candidates speak for themselves instead of always hearing us being described by commentators.

FREE TELEVISION TIME FOR CANDIDATES

Q: Free television time for the candidates to speak directly to the public. What are your thoughts on this concept?

A: I am a strong supporter of this idea, which enables candidates to talk directly to the people. I was very pleased to see Paul Taylor and Walter Cronkite take the initiative this year to bring this idea up to the forefront. They have had a real impact: most of the networks have now come up with their own direct tv offers. We've accepted most of those offers, and I look forward to the opportunity they provide. So this year we will be moving forward with this important idea, and eventually I think it may become as much a part of the campaign process as the televised debates are now.

PUBLIC BROADCASTING

Q: What's your plan for funding public broadcasting?

A: I strongly support public television and public radio. I believe it is very important to have a non-commercial voice available in every market. It provides some balance and it also provides an important source of educational and cultural programming that might not be available on commercial stations.

There are several proposals to create a trust fund to pay for the annual operations of public broadcasting. I support this idea if it can be structured and funded in such a way as to maintain the same level of support for public broadcasting that it has enjoyed in recent years. I believe it is very important to continue to support public broadcasting, and I will again ask the Congress to reverse the funding reductions it enacted for these programs last year.

MEETING AMERICA'S CHALLENGE TO STRENGTHEN OUR FAMILIES: GIVING PARENTS THE TOOLS TO CONTROL THEIR CHILDREN'S TELEVISION

February 29, 1996

"Our first challenge is to cherish our children and strengthen America's families. . .I challenge the broadcast industry to do what movies have done -- to identify your programming in ways that help parents to protect their children. And I invite the leaders of major media corporations in the entertainment industry to come to the White House next month to work with us in a positive way on concrete ways to improve what our children see on television. I am ready to work with you."

- President Clinton, State of the Union address, January 23, 1996

A television ratings system. Today, President Clinton met with executives from the media and entertainment industry, and announced a breakthrough agreement to develop a voluntary ratings system that will help parents protect their children from violence and adult content on TV. The industry's development of this ratings system is in response to the challenge issued by the President in his State of the Union address.

* **A new industry standard.** The broadcast industry executives have agreed that there will be an industry-wide standard for the ratings system. The system will be in place by the end of the year, and will help reduce the effects of televised violence and sex on our children.

* **The V-Chip and the Telecommunications Bill - Giving parents the tools they need.** The ratings system will be compatible with the V-Chip, which the President signed into law in the Telecommunications Act of 1996. This will help parents to take responsibility over what their children watch on television by letting them block shows with certain ratings.

* **Children's programming.** It is not enough for parents to choose what their children should not watch. The President believes we need to improve both the quality and quantity of programming that is aimed at enriching the lives of children in America.

Presidential leadership. This meeting with broadcast industry executives demonstrates that with innovative Presidential leadership, responsible corporations can help us meet America's challenges.

* **Affirming our values by working together.** America is stronger if our families are stronger. But we must give responsible parents the tools they need to do their job. By encouraging the entertainment industry to adopt a ratings system, the President has helped to meet that challenge -- not through coercion or a new government program, but by a call for all of us to work together to find practical solutions that solve real problems.
* **Corporate responsibility.** In rising to President Clinton's challenge and making a commitment to the common good as well as their bottom line, these captains of industry have also been responsible citizens. In another Presidential initiative, and with help from technological innovators such as Bill Gates of Microsoft, every classroom in America will be linked to the Internet by the year 2000. With Project XL, the President is cutting red tape to preserve our environment, challenging industrial leaders like AT&T to find new ways to comply with environmental rules while working with their local communities. The President is also working with CEO's across America to establish family-friendly

workplaces. This meeting with broadcast industry executives demonstrates that with innovative Presidential leadership, responsible corporations can help us meet America's challenges.