

12-24-96

Todd -

From the Oval -

Send to Scheduling

Yes ☒

No ☐

C.

Chiron



Marcia Stein
Executive Director

Citymeals-on-Wheels

'96 DEC 24 AM6:51

December 20, 1996

President William J. Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton,

I am writing to request that you inaugurate our Citymeals-on-Wheels USA program this coming May as part of Older Americans Month and the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of America's elder nutrition program.

Citymeals-on-Wheels began fifteen years ago in New York City and is one of our country's first and most successful public/private partnerships. Its mission is simple -- to ensure that every one of New York City's frail elderly shut-ins receive a warm hand-delivered meal each day of the year. Since government funding is limited, New York's private citizens have joined by the tens of thousands to supplement public support with their own generous gifts.

Today, Citymeals-on-Wheels pays for one and one half million meal deliveries a year. One in three home-delivered meals in New York City is funded by private contributions.

Nearly every major corporation based in New York City has been involved and so have many of our most celebrated neighbors -- people like Jessye Norman, Diane Sawyer, Lillian Vernon, Bob Tisch, Roy Lichtenstein and Dan Rather. In fact, it was during my annual Christmas meal delivery in Harlem with Jessye that she encouraged me to write to you early with a request for a White House ceremony in May.

The occasion will be a very special one for us because this May, Citymeals-on-Wheels New York City will formally become Citymeals-on-Wheels USA. We have already been working with affiliate meals-on-wheels programs in eighteen of the largest U.S. cities. We will be assisting these cities in using private funds to generate expansions in their ability to meet the exploding needs of our oldest citizens.

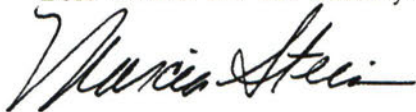
President William J. Clinton
December 20, 1996
Page 2

Congressional representatives from each city would like to be present at the ceremony as would the chief executives of several corporations which have generously come forward as founding national sponsors.

Every day I receive letters and calls from courageous older people who need our help in maintaining their ability to live out their years in dignified independence in the familiar comfort of their own homes. Home-delivered meals provide this critical assistance at low cost to both government and the private sector.

We hope that in conjunction with your annual Older Americans Month proclamation ceremony that we could also use the occasion to spotlight this important new national initiative -- Citymeals-on-Wheels USA. We are proud to be doing our part toward reinventing government by having Older Americans Act funds leverage millions of dollars in private support for meals-on-wheels for needy seniors.

Best wishes for the holidays and the New Year ahead,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Marcia Stein".

Marcia Stein

MS:hs

cc: Ann S. Stock
Jessye Norman
Preston Robert Tisch

Job
Se

**Coastal Logistics, Inc.
312 N. Charles Street
4th Floor
Baltimore, Maryland 21201**

'96 DEC 24 AM 6:53

(410) 752-7373 (410) 752-6977 (fax)

December 20, 1996

The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I understand that the following individuals are being considered for positions in your second Administration:

Alexis Herman	-	Secretary of Labor
Rodney Slater	-	Secretary of Transportation
Ben Johnson	-	Deputy Assistant to the President for Public Liaison.

As an African-American DNC Managing Trustee, I recommend that strong consideration be given to the individuals noted because they would be an asset to you and your Administration.

On another note, I look forward to continuing to support you, your Administration, and the Democratic National Committee. I also wish you much success.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Garrett
Dennis J. Garrett
President & CEO

DJG/tw

cc: Erskine Bowles, Chief Of Staff Designate
Robert J. Nash, Director of Presidential Personnel

12/26/96
Send to Bob Nash?

Yes ☒

No ☐

C



December 18, 1996

The Honorable William J. Clinton
The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

'96 DEC 24 AM 6:53

On behalf of the Rebuild America Coalition (RAC) members, I am writing to urge you to give programs authorized under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) your highest priority as you prepare the FY 1998 budget.

The Rebuild America Coalition strongly supports funding the maximum level of federal investment possible for our nation's multimodal transportation system. According to the Department of Transportation, the Highway Trust Fund could sustain an annual funding level of approximately \$30 billion into the next century. Fully funding our nation's transportation programs ensures that the American people can enjoy a quality of life through economic growth and a reliable transportation infrastructure system that works into the 21st Century.

As you know, transportation is a critically important component of our nation's economy requiring a strong, reliable transportation infrastructure base to transport citizens, goods and services in an efficient, reliable and cost-effective manner. It has been well documented that the need for additional investment in our transportation system is fast increasing as conditions continue to deteriorate. According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, an additional \$15 billion a year is needed to prevent further deterioration of our nation's highways and bridges. Moreover, \$7.9 billion annually needs to be invested just to maintain the current conditions and performance of the nation's transit systems.

The Rebuild America Coalition, a united group of 60 public and private organizations committed to reversing the decline of investment in our nation's infrastructure, realizes your commitment to improving the condition of our nation's infrastructure and respectfully requests that you consider the needs and maximize funding in the FY 1998 budget to ensure a strong transportation system for the American people.

Sincerely,

Bob Lanier
Chairman
Rebuild America Coalition

cc: The Honorable Federico F. Peña
Transportation Secretary

Rodney E. Slater
FHWA Administrator

1212619
Send to Dorskind
Yes ☒
to _____

George Paraskevaides O.B.E.

Tel: 444354
476363
Tlx: 2346 JAYNPE CY
Fax: 476269

1, Byron Ave.,
P.O. Box 1178
CY-1503, Nicosia
Cyprus

George

23rd December, 1996

'96 DEC 26 PM3:14

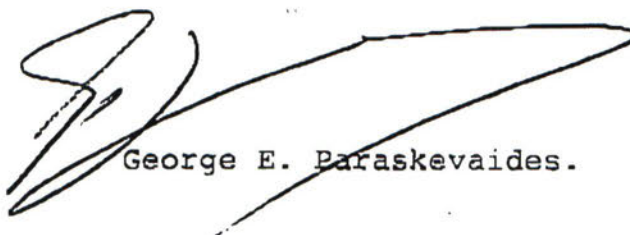
Honorable
President of the United States of America,
Mr. Bill Clinton,
White House,
Washington.

Honorable President,

On the occasion of the great day of Christmas,
please allow me to wish you and to all Americans
health, happiness and prosperity with God's blessing.
I am sure that all my countrymen Cypriots wish you
the same.

We depend on your valuable assistance for the
fair solution of the problem of Cyprus.

With greatest respect,



George E. Paraskevaides.

✓
NSC for
reply

if
necessary

December 5, 1996

Jackie Robinson
FOUNDATION

cc: [unclear]
through [unclear]
staff

President William J. Clinton
The White House
Washington

Dear Bill:

Your thoughtfulness in sending me one of the pens you used to sign the bill establishing the Jackie Robinson gold and silver was genuinely appreciated. Just as heartwarming were your expressions about Jack's accomplishments on and off the field.

With the help of many friends and dedicated staff, I am fortunate to have been able to keep Jack's legacy alive through the Jackie Robinson Foundation. Each of our now over 500 alumnae and scholars displays the character traits which made Jack the wonderful person he was. By signing the bill, you have made it possible for hundreds of other young persons to achieve the goals they have set for themselves.

It is my hope that I will have the opportunity to personally express my appreciation and that of the Jackie Robinson Foundation to you at some time during the 50th Anniversary Year. A number of national events and activities are planned for April 15, the date Jack played his first major league baseball game, July 4 and on other historically significant dates in 1997.

Your involvement in any of these activities would obviously enhance the Nation's knowledge of the contributions of Jackie Robinson. Perhaps you and or your staff have other ideas about how you would like to personally participate in the 50th Anniversary of Jack's breaking the color barrier in major league baseball. It would be my pleasure to work with you on such an occasion.

With warm wishes for joyous Holidays for your family and you, I send

Seasons Greetings,



Rachel Robinson, Founder

cc: [unclear]
Scheduling

✓
Don't mind
for
reply

Holiday Greetings
and Best Wishes for a New Year of
Happiness in a World of Peace

Stephanie Boyd



Boys & Girls Clubs of Delaware
The Positive Place For Kids!

Richard
Draver

to Dorskins

for rpy
coordinate with
OMB

LOUIS L. RAMSAY
P. O. BOX 7009
PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS 71611

*Thomson
8/17/81*

1995 DEC 26 PM8:14

December 20, 1996

**The Honorable Bill Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500-2000**

Attn: Nancy Hernreich, Assistant to the President

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to you as Co-Chairman of the Transportation Committee of the Greater Pine Bluff Chamber of Commerce, to thank you and your administration for the help and support you gave for the funds that were appropriated for FY97 toward the construction work for the badly needed lock and dam at Montgomery Point on the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System. As you may know, the original authorization of the McClellan-Kerr system included a lock and dam at Montgomery Point, but it was not built...as a cost-saving measure. Twenty-five years later, it now is evident that the structure is essential to the navigation system, and if it is not built, the system will be severely crippled and it could be eventually destroyed. The access facilities for the lock and dam are already under construction.

When the Montgomery Point lock and dam is completed, it will protect over \$5 billion in public and private investments, thousands of jobs and world trade created as a result of the McClellan-Kerr Navigation System.

We hope that your administration will urge OMB to include \$25 million for Montgomery Point in your FY98 budget, and that the Corps of Engineers will be instructed to issue a "continuing contract for construction" for the lock and dam.

This navigation system is essential to the growth and development of the area served by the system, which includes a portion of the Delta.

On another subject, I congratulate you for keeping Mack McLarty as Counselor to The President and your appointment of Rodney Slater as Secretary of Transportation. Both of these gentlemen have always been successful in all of the projects that they have undertaken and they have served you and the people of this country well.

With warmest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely,


Louis L. Ramsay

LLR/ksw

cc: Mr. Thomas F. "Mack" McLarty

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

12 30 96

27 December 1997

MEMORANDUM TO

THE PRESIDENT

CC

LEON PANETTA
EVELYN LIEBERMAN
ERSKINE BOWLES
MARCIA HALE
JEFF FARROW
STEPHANIE STREETT
ANNE HAWLEY
DOUG SOSNIK

'96 DEC 27 PM3:49

FROM

HAROLD ICKES

RE

Puerto Rico

Governor Rossello (who plays tennis on the championship level and jogs but who does not play golf) does not want you to make an artificial stop in Puerto Rico just for the sake of doing so. He also thinks that his meeting you in the Virgin Islands would be somewhat artificial.

Marcia Hale, Jeff Farrow and I advise that you make a well publicized telephone call to Governor Rossello either on 2 January (the day he is sworn in) or on 1 January.

Based on conversations with the Governor's staff, this would be preferable to your doing an airport stop in San Juan on the way back from the Virgin Islands. (If you were to decide to play golf in Puerto Rico, that of course would be welcomed by the Governor, as would your visiting the Governor at LaFortaleza (sp?) reputedly the oldest capital in the Americas, but there is certainly no need for you to do so.)

We will provide you with talking points in the event you decide to telephone Governor Rossello, which we strongly recommend that you do.

yes on Jan 1 & 2

copy given to
Mike Johnson