

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

4/28

Jim -

This letter has been forwarded
to Interior (via Cab Affairs)
for response.

But POTUS should respond
to the other letters, I think.

Should work with OMB (T.J.'s
office) and Interior to coordinate
responses.

Ments,
PhM

Chron

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Phil-

I talked to this guy. He wants increased Federal Funding to restore the Bathhouses at Hot Springs National Park. He says that they need \$20 million, and currently receive only about a half million a year. Wants to know if it is possible.

Craig T. Lund

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Craig-

In looking at this package again,
I noticed that Wilkins has forwarded
letters from Jay Dickey, the Mayor of
Hot Springs, and the Chamber of Commerce.
POPS would probably want these letters
responded to.

I'll have someone begin working on a
response to these -- will run them by
you.

Thanks,
Phil Caplan

Staff Sec.

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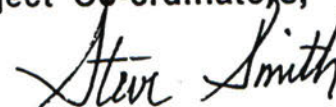
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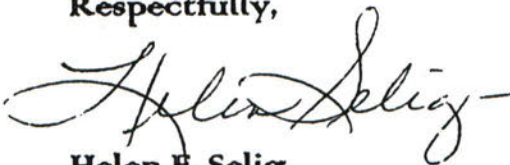
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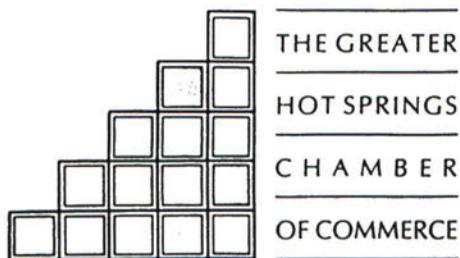
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OF COMMERCE

March 20, 1997

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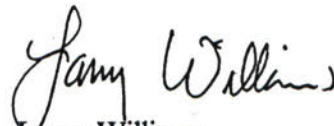
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March 26, 1997

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Michael States
Chairman

Don Raulie
Executive Director

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cc: w/incoming:
Mack Melarty
Craig Smith

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 5, 1997

Tom Wilkins
The Bath House Show
701 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901

Dear Tom:

Thanks for your recent letter. It was good to hear from you although I'm sorry about the Inaugural invitation arriving so late.

As you well know, Hot Springs will always be a part of me, and I'm grateful for your efforts to try to revitalize Bath House Row and the downtown. I'll follow up and ask someone here to call you.

Sincerely,

Brian Clinton

970306

~~C O P Y~~
from ORM



Mauk -
 Please see
 initial msg
 at Mack -

Dr. Ted Van
 Hill ask
 someone to
 call

THE BATH HOUSE SHOW

701 CENTRAL AVENUE * HISTORIC DOWNTOWN
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PRESIDENT WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON
WHITE HOUSE
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DEAR PRESIDENT CLINTON,

GREETINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS FROM HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS!
WE ARE EXTREMELY PROUD TO AGAIN HAVE YOU AS OUR PRESIDENT. MY
ONLY REGRET WAS THAT I WAS UNABLE TO COME TO THE CEREMONIES. I
UNFORTUNATELY DIDN'T RECEIVE MY INVITATION UNTIL AFTER THE
EVENT. I DID WATCH IT ON TELEVISION HOWEVER AND COULD RE-LIVE
THE FIRST INAUGURAL I WAS AT. MANY OF US HERE GREATLY REGRET
NOT HAVING BEEN ABLE TO ATTEND. IT WAS INDEED A JOYOUS TIME OF
CELEBRATION. MY GOOD BUDDY TOM DANIEL FILLS US IN AT BREAKFAST
EVERY MORNING.

BILL, WE NEED YOUR HELP. THE GARLAND COUNTY HOSPITALITY
ASSOCIATION HAS ASKED ME TO WRITE TO YOU WITH A LAST DITCH
EFFORT TO GET SOMETHING POSITIVE GOING HERE. FOR MANY OF US IT
WILL BE OUR LAST TRY. BATH HOUSE ROW HAS DECAYED FROM LACK OF
LIFE IN THE PAST 10 YEARS.

AS YOU MAY REMEMBER, I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED WITH TOURISM HERE
FOR THE LAST 15 YEARS. I HAVE BEEN HONORED WITH NEARLY EVERY
AWARD OUR CITY CAN GIVE TO PEOPLE LIKE MYSELF THAT WORK HARD
TO CREATE A WHOLESOME FAMILY ATMOSPHERE HERE. AWARDS ARE
GREAT, BUT DEEDS MEAN MORE IN A TIME OF TRUE STRUGGLING FOR OUR
INDUSTRY HERE IN HOT SPRINGS AND ARKANSAS. I LOVE THIS STATE
AND I LOVE THIS TOWN IN SPITE OF THE BEAURACRACY THAT ENGULFS
IT.

FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS, PEOPLE KEPT TALKING ABOUT WHAT BILL
CLINTON WOULD DO FOR OUR TOWN. NOW THEY GRIPE ABOUT HOW
YOU'VE IGNORED US. I HAPPEN TO BELIEVE LIKE KENNEDY ONCE SAID
WHEN I WAS A YOUTH, "ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU,
ASK WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY"

I WANT TO "BUILD A BRIDGE TO THE FUTURE" OF HOT SPRINGS BY MAKING
THIS A PLACE PEOPLE WILL FLOCK TO FOR FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND
NIGHTTIME HAPPENNINGS.

THE LEADERSHIP IN THIS TOWN IS UNFORTUNATELY NOT VISIONARY OR CREATIVE IN THEIR THINKING. IN SPITE OF THIS, CERTAIN THINGS CAN BE DONE TO POSITIVELY EFFECT OUR FUTURE.

I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU HAVE MORE IMPORTANT PROJECTS THAN OURS GOING ON, BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP.

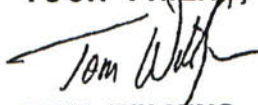
OUR BATH HOUSES HAVE BEEN CLOSED FOR YEARS DUE TO GOVERNMENTAL BUREACRACY AND REGULATIONS. WE NEED THEM OPEN AND WE NEED BUSINESS' IN THEM YESTERDAY. WOULDN'T IT BE NEAT FOR A HOUSE OF BLUES, A HOUSE OF JAZZ AND A HOUSE OF ROCK-N-ROLL ALL WITH RESTAURANTS AND DRINKS FILLING UP THOSE EMPTY BEAUTIFUL OLD HISTORIC BUILDINGS. MUSIC LIKE THIS WOULD MAKE DOWNTOWN HOT SPRINGS COME ALIVE ONCE AGAIN IN A POSITIVE WAY. PEOPLE WANT TO GO WHERE THERE IS SOMETHING HAPPENNING NOT JUST TO LOOK AT TREES.

WE ALSO NEED TO CAPITALIZE ON SUCH THINGS AS AN OUTDOOR THERMAL POOL, PRESIDENT CLINTON MUSEUM ETC. IT TAKES VISION, DETERMINATION, AND LUCK. WE NEED YOUR HELP AND ADVICE.

A SMALL GROUP OF US TOM DANIEL, MYSELF AND 2 OTHERS WOULD LIKE TO COME TO WASHINGTON AND SPENT JUST A FEW MINUTES WITH YOU DISCUSSING THE PROBLEM AND SOME SOLUTIONS. I KNOW YOU ARE WITHOUT A DOUBT THE BUSIEST MAN IN THE WORLD, BUT PLEASE TAKE JUST A FEW MINUTES HELPING US SAVE THIS TOWN THAT WAS ONCE YOUR OWN FROM BECOMING A TOURISM DESERT.

I HOPE AND PRAY THIS LETTER FINDS YOUR EYES AND OPENS YOUR HEART TO OUR PROBLEM.

YOUR FRIEND,



TOM WILKINS

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Chris Balderston -

Tom Wilkins has written
the President a couple of times
about funding to restore Bath House Row
in Hot Springs, AK.

Someone from Interior should
now follow up with him. (In PER's
last response, he said "someone would contact"
Tom).

Can you pass this along so that
someone at DOI in Bebbitt's office
will follow up?

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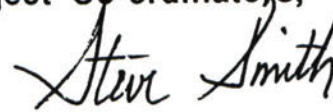
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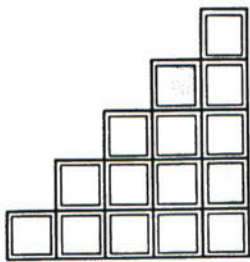
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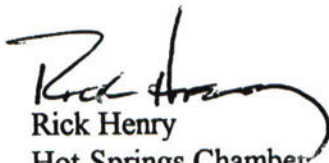
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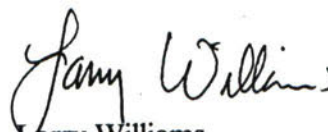
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Michael States
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Don Raulie
Executive Director

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HONORARY PARTICIPATION REQUEST

Please return to Woynab Wondwossen, Room 93

Today's Date: April 22, 1997

Date of Request: 4/9/97
Request for: POTUS/FLOTUS
Type of Request: Honorary Co-Chairs
Requestor Name: Mr. Lou Ivey

Address: 800 North Carolina Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20003

Contact Tel. #: (202) 546-4784

Event Date: 6/17/97

Event Description: Tribute to Abner and Zoe Mikva

Notes: This is a nonprofit event organized by an informal group of friends and colleagues to honor Abner and Zoe Mikva for their record of public service. In addition to the President and First Lady, President and Mrs. Bush, President and Mrs. Carter and President and Mrs. Ford are the proposed Honorary Co-Chairs.

The President and First Lady should ACCEPT.

Recommendations:

MW _____ TS _____
(Unless otherwise noted, a yes answer will automatically generate a message as well as acceptance of the honorary position).

Comments:

4/28/97

Jim & John

John - please
tell me. Why would
we accept on a par
with others? And isn't it
odd to do this for just 2
bunch of friends, not a
good cause? Should we
accept before Carter, Bush etc?

4-9-97 *navy*
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April 3, 1997

The Honorable and Mrs. William J. Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC

Dear President and Mrs. Clinton:

Several months ago, a small group of friends and former colleagues of Abner and Zoe Mikva decided to plan a celebration to honor this extraordinary couple. The group has expanded as others learned of the effort, and the timing and nature of the event have taken shape.

* We have scheduled a reception at the National Education Association in Washington on June 17. Because we want all those who know and admire Abner and Zoe to attend, we will ask the invited guests only for a small contribution to cover the cost of the reception. This is not a fundraising event. The program will be informal. We are asking people who have known Abner and Zoe at various times in their lives to speak briefly about their shared commitment to the value and dignity of public service.

We are hoping that you will help us in two ways. First, we would like to include your name on the invitation as an Honorary Co-Chair. Second, we hope that you can attend the event and take part in the program. Your participation will be a wonderful reminder to all those who attend that dedication to public service crosses party lines, regional differences and social backgrounds.

The event doesn't involve any fundraising, although we intend to announce the initiation of the Mikva Public Service Program for High School Students. The program will provide grants to high school teachers in the metropolitan Chicago area to develop a program for selected high school students to participate in the electoral process. Our goal is to select the first group of teachers and students by September 1997.

Attached is a list of the other people we have asked to serve with you as Honorary Co-Chairs. We look forward to working with you to make the tribute to Abner and Zoe a success.

Sincerely,

Lou Ivey

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**PROPOSED HONORARY CO-CHAIRS AND HOSTS FOR JUNE 17
TRIBUTE TO ABNER AND ZOE MIKVA**

Co-Chairs

President and Mrs. Clinton
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The Honorable Donna Shalala

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HONORARY PARTICIPATION REQUEST

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Today's Date: April 17, 1997

Date of Request: 3/24/97
Request for: POTUS/FLOTUS
Type of Request: Honorary Chairpersons
Requestor Name: Mrs. Ginny Mancini
Title: Founder
Organization: Society of Singers

10430 Wilshire Blvd, Penthouse 4
Los Angeles, California 90024

Contact Tel. #: (310) 475-0414

Event Date: 6/23/97

Event Description: All-Star Salute to Lena Horne

Notes: In addition to commemorating Lena Horne's 80th birthday, this event will raise funds for the health and welfare benefits of professional vocalists. Ms. Horne will receive an award in recognition of her musical achievements and devotion to civic causes. Senator John Glenn wrote to the President in support of this effort.

The President and First Lady should ACCEPT.

Recommendations:

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(Unless otherwise noted, a yes answer will automatically generate a message as well as acceptance of the honorary position).

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Ginny Mancini

January 3, 1996

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

Dear President and Mrs. Clinton,

You have recently paid tribute to five extraordinary artists who were this years Kennedy Center honorees. In 1984 Lena Horne was so acknowledged for her multifaceted career and her brilliant vocal artistry.

Next June 23rd, in celebration of her 80th birthday, the Society of Singers will present an all-star salute in her honor in Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center. Dina Merrill and I will Co-Chair the gala evening, with Pierre Cossette on board to produce.

I am writing to hopefully enlist your participation as the Honorary Chairpersons of this gala event. We are enormously pleased to have the enthusiastic support of a host of individuals in the entertainment, social, corporate and political communities who recognize that singers underscore and impact our lives and society in general.

There are many professional vocal artists without health and welfare benefits to sustain them who look to the Society of Singers for immediate assistance in times of need. Most fundraising benefits call upon singers to give of their talent in the name of charity. These events are meant to give something back.

Your acceptance of this request would not only validate Ms. Horne's incredible artistry but her role as an activist for Democratic ideals and civil rights which she has demonstrated over the years.

I look forward to your early reply and send my best wishes and 11
congratulations on your re-election.

Sincerely,

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Mrs. Henry Mancini



UNITED STATES SENATOR
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510-3501

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February 28, 1997

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

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Dear Mr. President:

Mr. Henry Mancini, one of our finest composers, passed away a couple of years ago. He was one of our very close friends and we had spent much time together. His death was a true loss for our nation.

His wife, Ginny Mancini, has been extra active for many years through professional and charitable organizations. She wrote to you earlier this year about an event she is sponsoring in New York on June 23, 1997, in honor of Lena Horne's 80th birthday and also to benefit the many professional vocal artists without health and welfare benefits who look to the Society of Singers for assistance in times of need.

Ginny wrote to you earlier to ask you and Mrs. Clinton to be Honorary Chairpersons of this gala event. I am happy to give my most enthusiastic support to this event.

I would be very happy to provide you with any additional information you or your staff may require, and hope you will find it possible to lend your support.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Best regards -


John Glenn
United States Senator

JG/nc

HONORARY PARTICIPATION REQUEST

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Today's Date: April 18, 1997

Date of Request: 4/15/97

Request for: POTUS/FLOTUS

Type of Request: Honorary Chairpersons

'97 APR 19 AM 11:48

Requestor Name: Ms. Christy Royster

Title:

Organization: Epilepsy Foundation of America
National Office
4351 Garden City Drive
Landover, Maryland 20785

Contact Tel. #: (301) 459-3700 X766

Event Date: 5/21/97

Event Description: 1997 Distinguished Achievement Award Ceremony

Notes: This ceremony will honor Senators Kennedy and Kassebaum for their work on the 1996 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. The request was made by former Congressman Tony Coelho, an executive board member of the group. Several senators of both parties are acting as Honorary Committee Members.

The President and First Lady should ACCEPT.

Recommendations:

MW _____ TS OK
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Epilepsy Foundation of America.

National Office
4351 Garden City Drive
Landover, MD 20785-2267

February 25, 1997

Dear President and Mrs. Clinton,

The Epilepsy Foundation of America has, for more than 25 years, been an advocate for disability rights. In that time we have been advocates for a number of legislative actions benefiting those with disabilities, including the Americans With Disabilities Act. I have been proud to be involved with these actions both professionally and in my capacity as a member of the EFA National Board of Directors.

The 1996 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act is an enormously important step for those with epilepsy and their families, and for all people with chronic health conditions and disabilities.

EFA would like to present our 1997 Distinguished Achievement Award to Senators Edward Kennedy and Nancy Kassebaum for their dedication to and tireless bipartisan support of this important measure. This award will be presented at a dinner on Wednesday, May 21, 1997 at the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

On the same evening, we will present Warner Lambert with our corporate honor for their continuing commitment to EFA and their pioneering work in the field of epilepsy treatment.

We would like you to consider serving in the role of Honorary Chairpersons for this event. Your participation in this way would lend a special importance to this event and to the much deserved honor for Senators Kennedy and Kassebaum. While we are specially concerned about the impact of their efforts on the two and a half million people with epilepsy, our award will be given in recognition of it's importance to all people with disabilities and pre-existing conditions.

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We would be honored by your presence at our event, if possible. EFA staff will work with your staff to make any arrangements necessary.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

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

Tony Coelho

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



Epilepsy Foundation of America.

1997 Distinguished Achievement Awards Honorary Committee Members (as of 4-16-97)

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Tom Harkin
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John McCain
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