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Ms. Nancy Hernreich
Dep. Asst. to the President
Dir. Of Oval Office Operations
1st Floor, West Wing
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. Hernreich:

As per Tom Schneider's request, enclosed please find a book entitled
"Sugar Was My Best Food - Diabetes and Me," and literature about the authors.
This book is from an old college friend who is the mother.

Tom is on vacation this week, but please feel free to leave a voice mail
message, he will check in the office daily.

3/27/98

Sincerely,

Send to Buskhardt?

Yes ☒
No ☐

Cheryl L.B. Coleman
Cheryl L.B. Coleman
Administrative Associate

*Substantive
response from 2025
to Adair Gregory. "Thanks for
the book; do you all we can to fight
diabetes; remarkable
young man." BC Sig
Plus*



Gregory
16 Myopia Road
Winchester, MA. 01890

March 12, 1998

Erskine Bowles, Chief of Staff
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Erskine Bowles,

My name is Adair Gregory and I am eleven years old. Two years ago I got diabetes. Things are better now, but it was pretty rough for me and my family, in the beginning.

I read in the paper last summer that President Clinton signed a bill to help people with diabetes. I also read that President Clinton has a personal commitment to helping cure diabetes.

I thought President Clinton might like to know that my mom and I have written a book about diabetes. It came out last week! My book is called Sugar Was My Best Food: Diabetes and Me.

I would like to know if I could meet President Clinton and talk with him more about what diabetes is like, from a kid's point of view. I would like to thank Mr. Clinton and hear more about what the United States is doing to cure diabetes. This would mean a whole lot to me. (By the way, March 24 is National Diabetes Alert Day. Maybe that would be a good day for him.)

Could you talk to President Clinton about my idea for a meeting? Here is a my book, along with some pictures of me. Please let me know if I can come meet him.

Sincerely yours,

Adair
Adair Gregory

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Tom -

This is a priority - I am
trying to get these materials to the
WH Chief of Staff. Bowles' child
has juvenile diabetes & Bowles has been
actively involved in the protest.

Thanks for your help

Sugar Was My Best Food

Diabetes and Me



Sugar Was My Best Food

Diabetes and Me

**Carol Antoinette Peacock
Adair Gregory
Kyle Carney Gregory**

illustrated by Mary Jones

**Albert Whitman & Company
Morton Grove, Illinois**



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Who should we
send to?

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already sent to
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Jim B. to hook up with
package

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March 16, 1998

VIA FACSIMILE

Hon. William J. Clinton
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Re: Law Day 1998 and the National Legal Services Program

Dear Mr. President:

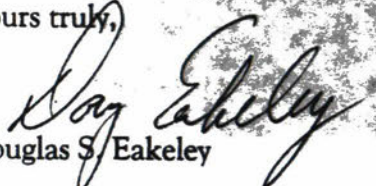
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Over the past 24 years, LSC grantees have handled well over 30 million cases, each of which represented a potential crisis for an individual or family in serious need. A majority of those cases affect the lives of children -- who remain the poorest age group in the nation. A significant number of cases also involve aspects of domestic violence against children or their mothers.

As I know you are painfully aware, LSC's budget for FY 1995 was \$415 million. That was cut by the new Congress to \$278 million the next year as a first step towards eliminating the program altogether. But with your leadership and the support of a bipartisan coalition in the Congress, we have managed to arrest any further reductions, and are slowly rebuilding our foundations.

Alexander Hamilton aptly observed that "the first priority of government is justice." Law Day provides a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate your continuing commitment to that ideal.

Yours truly,


Douglas S. Eakeley

cc: Ms. Nancy Hernreich
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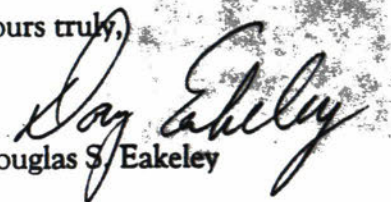
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March 11, 1998

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
c/o Nancy Hennreich
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear President Clinton:

As American Indians and as elected tribal leaders of California's sovereign Indian nations, we now face a serious crisis and need your help.

We have asked California State Assembly Speaker Antonio Villaraigosa to hand carry this letter to you and Vice President Gore as time is of the essence in obtaining White House intervention and assistance for the rights and welfare of California Indian tribes.

The governor of California has signed an agreement with the Pala Band of Mission Indians concerning their gaming activities. This is certainly Pala's right as a sovereign nation. However, the governor has issued an ultimatum that all tribes either sign an identical agreement by the state or face closure by the U.S. Attorneys. This is a shameful tactic to force tribes to put a price on their sovereignty instead of being able to freely choose. Where in the history of democracy does one nation negotiate terms for another? **When is any nation forced to submit to terms they had no role in negotiating? Does this characterize the "government-to-government relationship" you envisioned for your administration with Indian people?**

This compact cuts into the very heart of tribal sovereignty which has protected native cultures and rights and served as the foundation of Indian self-government in this country. We have no legal remedies because the courts have ruled we cannot sue the state to bring them to the negotiating table and although IGRA states that the Secretary of the Interior is to issue procedures by which tribes can appeal to the Secretary, no procedures are yet established.

The U.S. Attorneys, without consultation with any other tribal governments or tribal legal counsel, have adopted a unilateral policy based upon representations of one individual.



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Sent to Burkhardt
Yes ☒
No ☐
Good with Counsel
Lynn Carter

In 1994, in a historic gathering of Indian leaders at the White House, you pledged "to remove all barriers that prevent government agencies from working directly with tribal governments and second, to make certain that (any federal agency) taking action affecting tribal trust resources, (would) consult with tribal governments prior to that decision." Where was the consultation here?

In your promise to tribal governments, you said "Strengthening tribal economies will require new thinking and courage to change" and that you wanted "tribes to continue to benefit from gaming and (for) the current disputes over gaming to be worked out...to keep talking and working together." The federal policy now in place, Mr. President, is not talking and working together." There has been no dialogue. Only lawsuits and now this latest ultimatum. This is a sad echo of past tactics when federal agents would find a few Indians to sign deplorable terms and then coerce other tribes to follow.

U.S. Attorney Janet Reno wrote, "...we must support tribal sovereignty through clear, unambiguous policy and bold action" and that she had "learned that the life or the law is not written in books, but in the lived experience of the people day-to-day." How can the Department of Justice look upon the actions of the Governor and sanction the support of its U.S. Attorneys and call this "supportive to tribal sovereignty." As State Senator Richard Polanco stated last Friday, this action is a "sham because the Governor failed to negotiate with all tribes."

The Pala Band and its legal representation also promised to bring this agreement back to California tribes before it was signed. Another broken promise.

Our message and request is simple: We urge you as President to issue an executive order within the next 30 days that will:

- 1) **protect the status quo** of tribal government gaming in California until such time that a **federal mediator** has met with California tribal governments and the state's representatives and;
- 2) **that you appoint a mediator** who will represent the federal government's trust obligation and act to resolve the conflict over tribal government gaming activities and;
- 3) **we ask you to advise the Secretary of the Interior** that this proposed compact is not acceptable, and that it should be refused for approval. Let the mediator help develop a compact that is acceptable for all tribes.



The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton

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American government is founded on the principle that all people have a voice in government yet more than 100 tribes did not have a voice in these negotiations. This new agreement by the state and the U.S. Attorney's position on it is government by duress and intimidation. It does not support the letter or spirit of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

Robert Kennedy said, "Moral courage is a rare commodity than bravery in battle or great intelligence. Yet it is the one essential quality for those who would seek to change a world that yields most painfully to change. Yet those who enter the moral conflict will find themselves with companions in every corner of the world."

Right now, Mr. President, what the Indian people of California need most urgently is your moral leadership. The Pala compact and the manner by which it was created is wrong. It was conceived with no true representation. It was constructed to hobble tribal government. It was calculated to divide our people.

On behalf of the Indian people of California, we urge you and your administration to reject this agreement and provide your intervention and support.

Sincerely,



John James

Tribal Chairman

JJ/cdt





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Jaba Cohen
Director and Counsel

I thought you would be interested in our recent correspondence with the President regarding the "Patient's Bill of Rights." When I told him at the Rockville event of our idea and document, he told me to put it in writing and "make sure I see it." I'm not sure how to do that. Perhaps you can help. Thanks.

Abba Cohen

3/27/95

Phil -
Does this require
a response?

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Yes ☒
No ☐

Send to Bankhardt?

coord with Chris Jennings. Yes ☒ No ☐

Patients

**Bill
of
Rights**

The American Hospital Association has adopted a "Patient's Bill of Rights" to clarify what a patient may expect from a hospital administration. Since an observant Jewish patient has additional specific needs, Agudath Israel of America has prepared this "Jewish Patient's Bill of Rights," to assist hospital administrators in properly caring for such patients. We know that hospitals, eager to offer the most effective healing facilities to all of their patients, will welcome this clarification of Jewish needs.

1. The Jewish patient can be admitted to the hospital in an emergency on the Sabbath or a Festival, by making an oral statement of authorization suitably witnessed. No patient may be forced to sign an admission form in violation of religious scruples.

2. The Jewish patient has the right to be served Kosher food of proper quality, quantity, and variety to assure meeting his nutritional needs.

3. The Jewish patient has the right to medical attention, and to defer any advanced payment that may normally be required until the close of the Sabbath or Festival.

4. The Jewish patient has the right to engage in observance of Jewish ritual where not medically counterindicated. This includes prayer, provisions for Sabbath candles, Chanukah Menorah, Kosher-prepared wine, Esrog and Lulav, Matzoh, Megillah reading, and Shofar, where appropriate and possible. The hospital should recognize the psychological value of these activities in the same spirit as recreational and other amenities that are offered to the patient.

5. The Jewish patient has the right to refuse out-patient

appointments scheduled for the Sabbath and Festivals, the eve of such days, or fast days. This refusal should not prejudice the patient's right to a suitable alternative appointment.

6. The Jewish patient has the right to consult with his own spiritual advisor — or allow family to do the same when patient is incapable of doing so — before deciding on procedures involving abortion, sterilization, prostate surgery, contraception, artificial insemination, circumcision, euthanasia, autopsy, withdrawal of life-supporting therapy or appliances, hazardous procedures, or any other procedure posing religious questions. The name of the family rabbi should be entered on hospital admission cards, as a matter of routine, so he may be called upon to serve as consultant when religious problems arise.

7. The Jewish patient has the right to expect the hospital to consider consultation with a spiritual advisor as professional guidance, which can assist immeasurably in the treatment of the patient as a complete entity. The rabbi should be considered an integral part of the healing team.

8. The Jewish patient has the right to psychiatric, psychological, genetic, sex and other counseling by individuals attuned to patterns of behavior which are the norm among observant Jews. The medical team should welcome the participation and advice of the patient's spiritual advisor.

9. The Jewish patient has the right to request such consideration as those listed above for visitors whose presence is deemed supportive of the patient's health and well-being.

To the Patient:

We are confident that a polite but forceful request for any or all of these rights will be honored by hospital administrators. While these rights may not be legally binding, they are certainly ethically and morally binding. Efforts are now being made to secure endorsement of these rights by hospitals across the country. Showing this brochure to attending personnel will help you in stating your claim for the right to all that the medical profession has to offer you, without compromising your religious convictions.

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The Honorable William J. Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20502

Dear Mr. President:

It was both a pleasure and a privilege to be in attendance -- and to once again have the opportunity to chat briefly with you and Vice President Gore -- at the recent event in suburban Washington where you signed the directive extending the "Patient's Bill of Rights" to federal health programs. It was an important first step in your drive to ensure quality health care, and we are hopeful that Congress will respond to the challenge and provide similar protection to all Americans.

Mr. President, you may recall that as you exited the auditorium I spoke to you about a project Agudath Israel of America initiated some time ago, entitled "The Jewish Patient's Bill of Rights." You expressed an interest in seeing the document we produced (it is enclosed), and in the suggestion I made: that you incorporate within your Bill of Rights, within the federal directive and within any legislation you may transmit to Congress **"the right to receive medical care that gives due deference to a patient's religious beliefs and moral convictions and that accommodates a patient's religious practices."**

As a national Orthodox Jewish organization, Agudath Israel has long taken an active interest in health care issues on both the federal and state levels. We approach these issues imbued with the conviction that the preservation of life and the promotion of good health and well-being are religious imperatives that emanate from the inherent sanctity of human life. We firmly believe -- a belief embodied in your proposal -- that quality health care is inextricably linked to respect for the patient and his or her active involvement in the decision-making process.

Agudath Israel's "Jewish Patient's Bill of Rights", as you can see, deals primarily with matters of religious ritual. This document was developed some thirty years ago, at which time our concerns centered mostly around the ability of Jewish patients to receive appropriate medical treatment without being forced to violate the Sabbath, holidays, kosher dietary laws or other Jewish observances. Over the years, we circulated the document to a broad array of health care providers and consumers, and it helped sensitize hospitals to the importance of accommodating the religious practices and needs of their religiously observant patients.

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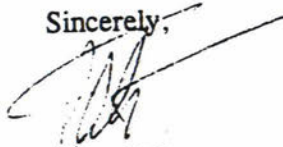
But while issues of religious ritual and accommodation continue to be of concern, the scope of the problem has profoundly broadened in recent years. Advances and breakthroughs in medical science and technology have in many instances deeply implicated the religious and moral beliefs of our community in unprecedented ways and have caused us to reorient the focus of our concerns. From "beginning of life" issues related to infertility, genetic screening, surrogate motherhood, sperm and egg banks, genetic engineering, cloning, abortion and selective reduction, to "end of life" issues related to euthanasia, assisted suicide, withdrawal of life support systems, DNR orders, autopsies and organ donations, observant Jews and Americans of all faiths are confronted with an array of moral decisions and choices today as never before. Current trends in the provision of medical services -- such as health care rationing and managed care -- inevitably complicate these dilemmas even further.

We firmly believe that with these momentous changes there must be a heightened sensitivity toward matters of religious conscience and conviction. These questions deserve to be taken into consideration and to be given sufficient weight when the "best interest" of the patient and the most appropriate course of action is to be determined, often in situations where the patient is incapacitated and unable to express his or her wishes. At the very least, a patient should be given the right -- and a surrogate decision-maker should be given a mandate -- to consult with his or her religious or spiritual advisor to help determine whether any proposed course of treatment or non-treatment would conflict with the patient's religious faith.

Mr. President, we implore you to support and incorporate these principles into your "Patients's Bill of Rights". We know you share our belief that respecting a person's religious practices and moral beliefs is integral to human dignity and a matter of the most fundamental of civil rights -- it has even been shown to be helpful in the healing process itself -- and deserves no less protection than matters of confidentiality, choice, cost information and other compelling objectives you have already outlined.

Agudath Israel would greatly welcome the opportunity to work with you and the White House staff in finding ways to address this issue legislatively -- as a number of states have already done -- and in promoting a greater awareness and sensitivity to this unique but growing problem.

Sincerely,



Abba Cohen
Director and Counsel

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Enclosure

cc: Vice President Albert Gore
First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
Secretary of HHS Donna Shalala
Mr. Christopher Jennings

AMERICA'S PROMISE

THE ALLIANCE FOR YOUTH™

12/12/98
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Dear Mr. President,

THANKS FOR YOUR LETTER.
I'VE SHARED IT WITH THE
HARD-WORKING AP STAFF

Attached is a list
of new promises received in
the past 2 weeks. Sincerely,



General Colin L. Powell USA (Ret)
Chairman

11 SCOUTS complete 12 hours of community service

YMCA - The YMCA has agreed to secure an additional one million youth safe
spaces and the opportunity to serve

Time Warner - The most recent as
is that through HBO, Janet Jackson
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BVD - One of our new corporate c
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AMERICA'S PROMISE

THE ALLIANCE FOR YOUTH™

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 12, 1998

Subject: Examples of Recent Commitments to America's Promise

There are several new developments on a variety of commitment fronts that you could share in a response to President Clinton, including:

U.S. Chamber of Commerce – Tom Donohue, the new president of the U.S. Chamber, made a commitment to have his members and affiliates find 3 million paid summer jobs for youth. This is commitment that will focus on marketable skills.

Boy Scouts of America – Their commitment is to provide 200 million hours of volunteer services by the end of the year 2000. They have created a special red wagon merit badge if scouts complete 12 hours of community service per year.

YMCA – The YMCA has agreed to secure an additional one million youth for safe spaces and the opportunity to serve through their local YMCA chapters.

Time Warner – The most recent aspect of the multi-faceted Time Warner commitment is that through HBO, Janet Jackson has agreed to donate proceeds plus promote mentoring during her upcoming "The Velvet Rope Tour."

BVD – One of our new corporate commitments has come from BVD, a subsidiary of Fruit of the Loom, who has committed to a one-year national advertising campaign to promote Big Brothers Big Sisters plus recruit new mentors to reduce the number of children on their waiting list.

American Association of School Administrators – After their annual meeting at which time America's Promise In Schools was unveiled, over 300 superintendents have submitted pledge cards that they will introduce America's Promise into their school systems.



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