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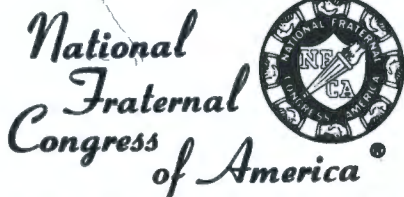
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March 24, 1982

Mr. Morton Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President
191 Old Executive Office Building
White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Sir:

As per our telephone conversation of this date, I have enclosed the following:

National Fraternal Congress of America Manuel
Official Fraternal Benefit Societies Booklet -1980-81
(the data for this year's booklet is not yet available).

Catholic Order of Foresters (my society) publications
with pertinent information of my election as President
of the National Fraternal Congress of America.
My Résumé.

I will await further word from you as to the reason for the urgency of this information. I remain

Sincerely yours,

John A. Gorski

HIGH CHIEF RANGER AND PRESIDENT
NATIONAL FRATERNAL CONGRESS OF AMERICA

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DEAR PRESIDENT READAN

I AM PLEASE TO INFORM YOU THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE

U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1981 - 366-697

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WHEREAS THE TASK FORCE'S MANDATE IN THIS DRIVE TO BETTER THE LIVES OF ALL INVOLVES EVERY SECTOR OF AMERICAN SOCIETY - GOVERNMENT BUSINESS AND ORGANIZED LABOR NON--PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FRATERNAL SOCIETIES THE FAMILY UNIT ALL INTERACTING WITH INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS; AND

WHEREAS THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - A CATHOLIC FAMILY FRATERNAL SERVICE ORGANIZATION WITH 1.36 MILLION DUES-PAYING VOLUNTEERS ENCOMPASSING MORE THAN FIVE MILLION FAMILY MEMBERS WORKING THROUGH 7,200 LOCAL COUNCILS -HAS A PROUD TRADITION OF REACHING OUT TO THE LESS FORTUNATE WHETHER AT THE STATE PROVINCIAL OR COMMUNITY

LEVELS; AND

WHEREAS AVAILABLE STATISTICS FOR THE MOST RECENT YEAR 1980 P
WHOW THAT THE ORDER'S COUNCILS AND ASSEMBLIES HAVE DISBURSED \$32
MILLION FOR CHARITABLE AND BENEVOLENT CAUSES AND DEVOTED MORE THAN
9 MILLION MAN7HOURS TO SERVICE; AND

WHEREAS THE ORDER'S "SURGE WITH SERVICE" PROGRAM ALREADY HAS
BEEN HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IN ENCOURAGING VOLUNTEERISM BY KNIGHTS AND
THEIR FAMILIES IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS THE PRINCIPAL RECIPIENTS OF THE KNIGHTS AID ARE THE
YOUNG FROM WHOSE RANKS MORE THAN AN MILLION ARE HELPED EVERY

YEAR THE RETARDED AND THE DISABLED FOR WHOM MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ARE COLLECTED EACH YEAR THE AGED WHO ARE ACCOMMODATED IN SPECIAL PROGRAMS AT HUNDREDS OF LOCAL COUNCILS THE HANDICAPPED AND THE NEEDY;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ASSEMBLED IN NEW HAVEN CONN ON MARCH 29 1982 THE CENTENNIAL OF TH ORDER DO HEREBY RENEW THE ORDER'S COMMITMENT TO THE CONCEPT OF VOLUNTEERISM; AND

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT ORDER CONTINUE TO STRIVE WITH RENEVED VIGOR TO CONTRIBUTE FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND MANPOWER TO STRENGTHEN ITS ROLE IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN SERVICE TO THE LESS FORTUNATE WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

RESPECTFULLY

MIRGIL C DECHANT SUPREME KNIGHT
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