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BLACKBURN, Ben B. - Board of Trustees of firm he is President of, wishes that he avoid all political entanglements.

KEATING, Wm. J.

BROTSMAN, Donald G. - offers support, but due to appt. to DOD, political activities restricted -- wife doing volunteer work for Pres.

GILLIAM, George H. - as a "Democratic candidate from 7th District of Va. in 1974, feels any contribution to President's campaign would result in much explaining".

'MINSHALL, Wm. E.

MILLER, Jack R. - somewhat limited as federal judge, but offers warm and prayerful support.

POLLOCK, Howard W.

CAPEHART, Homer- (secy. writing in -- Capehart recuperating from operation and will write later.)

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February 23, 1976

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford President of the United States P. O. Box 300 Washington, D. C. 20044

Dear Mr. President:

Your letter of February 16th to Dr. Judd was received while he and Mrs. Judd are on a trip to North Africa, returning to Washington in early March.

I will be pleased to bring your letter to Dr. Judd's attention at that time.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Dorothy E. Bageant Secretary to Dr. Judd



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The Honorable Gerald R. Ford President of the United States P. O. Box 300 Washington, D. C. 20044

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Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter of February 20 and your welcome expression of support for my candidacy. I am, of course, deeply grateful for your kind words in my behalf.

Jack Marsh has advised me of the interest Werner Ellis has in a position. I know that Jack has been in touch with both the PFC and the Advance Office on this matter. Unfortunately, funding always seems to be a problem. While both of these offices are making wide use of volunteer assistance, they have very few paid positions.

Betty joins me in sending you and Franny our warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable William E. Minshall Congressional Associates Suite 905 1730 M Street, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20036 GRF:JOM:RAR:cb



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MEMORANDUM TO:

JACK MARSH

FROM:

RUSS ROURKE

Jack, attached is the revised letter from the President to former Congressman Bill Minshall.

I have prepared a memo to Jim Connor requesting that he obtain the President's signature and then dispatch the letter, unless, of course, you decide to take this in to the President during one of your morning meetings.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 26, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO:

JACK MARSH

FROM:

RUSS ROURKE

Jack, the attached was, of course, an extremely difficult and delicate letter to draft. Minshall's response was apparently the direct result of the coordinated campaign to elicit support for the President from Former Members of Congress. Because you are mentioned in Minshall's letter, I thought it would be a bit lumpy for you to reply "for the President", hence the proposed response directly from the President.

P. A. Jack, please see my memo (attached) of Feb. 10 re Menshalls Son! NOTE: copy of letter is being kept with all other letters sent to former M.C.'s - for follow-up by PFC.

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February 20, 1976

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The President
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Dear Mr. President:

In response to your letter of February 16, 1976, I shall be delighted to support your campaign in anyway that you think my services and or advice can be helpful. I have already been doing what I can to boost your cause for the coming election.

Incidentally, my son Werner Ellis, age 25, is anxious to help, but to date has not met with too much success. Jack Marsh and Bob Hartmann have been most helpful in trying to get him into some kind of position but as of now he has not received an assignment. In my opinion he could be a big help with the younger groups or on an advance team. He is a very able and personable young man and was a trememdous help to me in my campaigns for Congress.

Franny joins me in wanting to do all we can to keep you and Betty at 1600.

Good luck and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

William E. Minshall

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 27, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO:

JACK MARSH

FROM:

RUSS ROURKE

Jack, FYI, copies of the attached letter were signed by the President and sent to more than 200 former Members of Congress.

Since no mechanism was set up to coordinate the responses that will be coming to the White House, I have offered to serve as the repository for those responses. (I have set the mechanism up with Bob Linder and cleared it through Jim Connor)

At a point in time, we will provide Leo Thorsness at the PFC with a breakdown of the number of former Members who have agreed to endorse the President's candidacy. I shall, of course, discuss this with you before taking that final step.

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LETTER FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO SELECTED FORMER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS

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Warm personal regards,

Gerald R. Ford

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February 27, 1976

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Dear Mr. President:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 23rd. There is no question that our philosophy of government is very similar and I do appreciate the warm friendship that I have enjoyed with you for almost a decade. The importance of this year, 1976, in a political sense, will be the most important year in the history of our country as well as our party. A Republican defeat this year, in my judgment, will end the Republican Party.

I want to support you in the election and I would like very much to see you re-elected. At the same time I would be less than honest if I told you I was happy with the way your campaign was being run.

If Bo Calloway wanted you soundly defeated, he wouldn't work any differently than he's doing in New Jersey. Neither he nor his lieutenants have ever contacted me about anything and whether he likes it or not, I am the titular head of the New Jersey Republican Party, since I am the last Republican that was nominated in the state wide Republican Primary. I am not the only Republican that feels this way. John Hunt will give you the same story and so will the State Chairman.

Prior to your last visit to New Jersey, I spent two hours with your speech writers and not one suggestion that I left with them was used in your speech. In spite of the fact that everything I predicted about the Highway Trust Fund has happened and you received no credit for any of it. In short, Mr. President, you're off to a very poor start in New Jersey, however I will do whatever I can to be helpful.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES W. SANDMAN, JR.

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March 4, 1976

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Re: The Congressional Colleague Program Response

From: Elaine R. Crane

The Congressional Colleague letters are to be treated as follows:

- 1. Elaine will send the original copies of the letters to Russ Rourke to the attention of Miss Connie Banford at the White House.
- 2. We will keep two xerox copies of the letters one for the use of Congressmen Ayres and Kuykendall and one for the master file (brown in color) on Bill Low's desk.
- 3. The letters which are received directly at the White House will be copied there, and the xerox copies sent to Bob Marik to the attention of Bill Low for insertion in our master file and for the use of Congressmen Ayres and Kuykendall. Before inserting the "White House" letters in the master file, make sure we have a copy of them for the Congressmen.
- 4. Congressmen Ayres and Kuykendall will be making the followup telephone calls and contacts.
- 5. The Post Office number address for the correspondence from the former members is:

P. O. Box 19760 Washington, D. C. 20036



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WASHINGTON

(sent mar. 4, 1976)

Dear Bill:

Many thanks for your letter of February 20 and your welcome expression of support for my candidacy. I am, of course, deeply grateful for your kind words in my behalf.

Jack Marsh tells me that every effort is being made regarding a position for your son, Werner Ellis. I know that Jack has been in touch with both the PFC and the Advance Office on this matter. Unfortunately, funding always seems to be a problem. While both of these offices are making wide use of volunteer assistance, they have very few paid positions. I am aware of Werner's financial requirements, and have asked Jack to continue to monitor the situation.

Betty joins me in sending you and Franny our warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable William E. Minshall Congressional Associates Suite 905 1730 M Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20036



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March 1, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO:

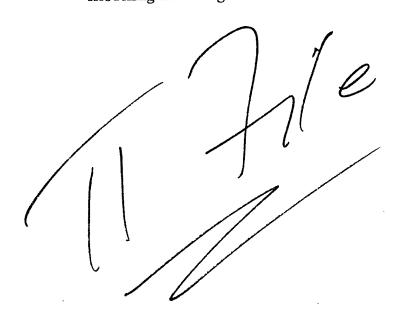
JACK MARSH

FROM:

RUSS ROURKE

Jack, attached is the revised letter from the President to former Congressman Bill Minshall.

I have prepared a memo to Jim Connor requesting that he obtain the President's signature and then dispatch the letter, unless, of course, you decide to take this in to the President during one of your morning meetings.





THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

February 26, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO:

JACK MARSH

FROM:

RUSS ROURKE

Jack, the attached was, of course, an extremely difficult and delicate letter to draft. Minshall's response was apparently the direct result of the coordinated campaign to elicit support for the President from Former Members of Congress. Because you are mentioned in Minshall's letter, I thought it would be a bit lumpy for you to reply "for the President", hence the proposed response directly from the President.

P. A. Jack, please see my memo (attached) of Feb. 10 re Menshall's Son!



NOTE: copy of letter is being kept with all other letters sent to former M.C.'s - for follow-up by PFC.

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February 20, 1976

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The President
The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

In response to your letter of February 16, 1976, I shall be delighted to support your campaign in anyway that you think my services and or advice can be helpful. I have already been doing what I can to boost your cause for the coming election.

Incidentally, my son Werner Ellis, age 25, is anxious to help, but to date has not met with too much success. Jack Marsh and Bob Hartmann have been most helpful in trying to get him into some kind of position but as of now he has not received an assignment. In my opinion he could be a big help with the younger groups or on an advance team. He is a very able and personable young man and was a trememdous help to me in my campaigns for Congress.

Franny joins me in wanting to do all we can to keep you and Betty at 1600.

Good luck and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

William E. Minshall

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Russell Runder

25 February, 1976

Dear Mr. President,

I am greatly honored by your letter of February 16, 1976.

I too shall always be proud of the years we worked together in Congress in a mutual effort to imporve our country.

I have become the President of a non-profit Public Interest Law Firm which has been granted a tax-exempt status. It is a new organization and one which will be consuming something in the neighborhood of 150% of my time. I have a very jealous Board of Trustees who have taken an oath in blood that I avoid all political entanglements for the foreseeable future. To be out of the political arena is novel to me after eight years, but I am finding the adjustment not altogether unpleasant.

Kind personal regards to you and your staff.

Respectfully,

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Ben B. Blackburn



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The Honorable Gerald R. Ford The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your letter of February 18th, a copy of which is enclosed.

I was the Democratic candidate for the U.S. Congress from the 7th District of Virginia in 1974 -- the seat formerly held by Jack Marsh.

While I am certain that you and I share the same hopes for America, I do believe that if I contributed to your campaign as you have requested both of us would have some explaining to do to our friends and supporters.

As a City Councilman here in Charlottesville, I look forward to your visit to Monticello in July.

Please give my very best personal regards to Jack Marsh.

George H. Gilliam

GHG/swd

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable John O. Marsh The Honorable J. Kenneth Robinson



GERALD R. FORD

WASHINGTON

February 18, 1976

Mr. George Gilliam 1409 Foxbrook Ln Charlottesville, Virginia 22901

Dear Mr. Gilliam,

I am writing you today to personally ask for your help in a matter that is of great concern to me.

Since becoming President, I have tried to achieve many things. Among them are holding the line of government spending to reduce inflation, a strong national defense, less government regulation, and a national energy program to prevent us from being at the mercy of foreign energy suppliers.

As you know, many of these efforts and other positive steps have been thwarted by a Congress heavily controlled by the Democrats. In some instances, the Congress has turned a deaf ear; in others it has written its own extravagant legislation.

I have had to employ the veto over 30 times to stem this tide of irresponsible legislation.

However, Mr. Gilliam, you and I know that this is only a temporary solution.

What America needs is a Republican Congress working for Republican goals. Unless more Republicans are elected in 1976, inflation and excessive deficit spending will continue.

That is why I have visited many regions of the country for the Republican Party and Republican candidates. Though I would prefer to contact you on one of these party-building trips, time dictates a written message.

Democrats seem to believe that America is great because of what government does for people and generally vote for more government programs, more federal spending and taxing. Republicans believe America is great because of what free people do for themselves and generally vote for less government involvement. Democrats have controlled the Congress



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Absolutely no taxpayers' funds have been used in the preparation or mailing of this correspondence.

for 40 of the last 45 years and have contributed to the many problems we face today.

The best way to begin overcoming such problems is to elect more Republicans to Congress in 1976. That is the best way to reduce wasteful government spending, cut back needless federal controls which are strangling our private enterprise system, and reform a welfare system that saps individual initiative and costs you and other taxpayers billions of dollars each year.

This is why I sincerely hope you will decide, today, to support the outstanding work of the National Republican Congressional Committee in its effort to elect Republicans in 1976.

This committee supports Republican candidates for the House of Representatives with direct campaign contributions and a wide variety of important campaign services.

From my own experience as a Member of Congress, I know that the Committee's support is invaluable in electing and reelecting Republicans to the House of Representatives.

Committee Chairman, Congressman Guy Vander Jagt, has told me a financial goal of \$2,100,000 has been established for the 1976 GOP Victory Fund. I feel this sum is reasonable and necessary. It must be achieved.

You can play a major role by joining me and the Committee in our joint efforts to elect a Republican Congress by sending your maximum contribution in the enclosed envelope. In order to successfully reach this goal, we need virtually 100% participation by all friends and supporters of this Committee.

Without your help we simply cannot elect more Republicans to Congress.

I look forward to Chairman Vander Jagt's report to me on the results of this appeal. Mr. Gilliam.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Ford

Sincerely,

FROM THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON, D.C.

GILLIAM SEAMANS RYAN

President Ford Committee

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RUSS:

Will send over to PFC for response - thought you might like to read them first.

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March 18, 1976

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20000

Dear Mr. President:

Betty and I have been on vacation and I have just read your letter of February 16, 1976.

Of course I am happy to do what I can to be of help in your re-election effort. While I suspect identical letters were sent to all former Governors and Congressmen and that you already have all the advice you require, I respectfully suggest, because of our long and warm friendship in the House, that your Staff take a good look at New Jersey.

I had believed in talking with Dick Sellers that you would have no problem with a primary endorsement. I now hear that Senator Case is planning to run a group of at large Delegates who will be uncommitted. This I think would be wrong and could be harmful to you especially in the General Election. I would suggest that you provide a group of candidates pledged to Jerry Ford!

Secondly, as you know, New Jersey is a labor oriented, Democratically inclined, ethnic populated <u>Swing</u> State and it is important that your General Campaign be staffed and headed by those who can attract and win over the Independent Vote.

Lastly, there is much that is wrong with the State Republican Party and it should be carefully examined by your Staff.



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Incidentally, in addition to practicing law, I am a member of the Faculty of the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University. We are now working on a program that will hopefully attract major policy statements from major statesmen of the United States and the World. It would, I think, be an ideal spot for you in the Fall to make a major speech that while of a bipartisan nature could be very helpful in November. If you are interested or if I can be of personal help in any specific way, please get in touch.

Sincerely,

William T. Cahill

WTC:ph



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March 18, 1976

OF COUNSEL PAGE BELCHER

PERSONAL

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

Attached are copies of clippings from the TULSA DAILY WORLD and THE DAILY OKLAHOMAN for this morning, which I thought you would like to see.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

PAGE BELLHER Member of Congress 1951-1973

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Former U.S. Rep. Page Belcher, R-Tulsa, said Wednesday Ronald Reagan has failed in his presidential campaign efforts and Republicans should unite behind President Ford.

Belcher said, "To continue this interparty struggle when it is obvious that President Ford will be our nominee is divisive and damaging to the Republican party."

He called on all Republicans "and especially those in Oklahoma to unite now behind Ford (and) start to pre-

Ford Wins
Belcher OK

Former Congressman Page Belcher of Tulsa announced Wednesday his support of President Ford for the Republican presidential nomination.

Belcher, who retired as First District con-

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March 19, 1976

By SD NARA, Date 1/22/2014

President Gerald R. Ford The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Jerry:

Thank you for your letter of February 16th. It is very flattering to be asked to support the President of the United States and work in his campaign.

As you point out, we did work closely in the Congress and I am sure you knew you could count on my vote whenever it was necessary. On only a very rare occasion did I inform you in advance that I could not support the Republican policy.

I have sent to Pete Fletcher five pages of an in-depth study done here in Michigan at the end of last year by Decision Making Information of Santa Ana, California. The information in those five pages relates to your race in Michigan and other material that has interest to your campaign. I am pleased to make this available to your campaign effort. I would also like to extend to you an opportunity to use my personal mailing list for fund solicitation. It includes approximately 1500 names of people who have been willing to put their money where their mouth is in politics. If you would care to send me 1500 letters, envelopes and stamps, we will do the addressing and mailing out of this office and trust it produces campaign funds as a result.

In all fairness, I should point out to you that the Michigan Republican Party did not keep your promise to the Michigan congressional delegation of raising \$5,000 per congressional district in 1974. You may remember twice in your office (once when we had our pictures taken for campaign purposes and again when the Republican Steering Committee leadership met with you), you promised \$5,000 from the Republican State Central Committee for each district as a result of your fund-raising dinner in Cobo Hall in the fall of 1974.

In addition, at the breakfast you gave in the White House for the Michigan Republican delegation in December of 1974, you made a very kind speech about my services and stated your willingness to assist in any way in the future that you could. I reminded you at that meeting that the Michigan delegation had not received the commitment you had made and thought we

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should be reimbursed by the Republican State Central Committee, per your agreement. At that breakfast you said you would take care of the matter, but the State Central Committee seems not to want to cooperate. The difference in your promise and their delivery has been quite substantial; and I must say it was a great shock to me to think that the President's commitment is not honored.

Thanks again for your letter; and as you can see, you may be able to glean some helpful information from my survey and some money from the solicitation, if you so desire.

Sincerely,

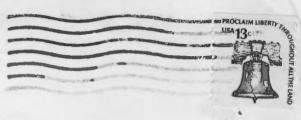
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MEMORANDUM TO:

ANGELA RAISH

FROM:

CONNIE BANFORD

Angela, per our conversation, I am attaching a copy of a letter from the President in response to several letters we received from former Mombers of Congress. You will note that the President has okayed the letter, which will, of course, be on the 'Gerald R. Ford stationery.

I understand that you will forward the letters back to this effice for Presidential signature.

Thanks again for your assistance.

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(Attaching letters from: former Congressmen E. Y. Berry, Thor Tollefson, Sherman Lloyd, Sherman Adams, Henry Cabot Lodge, John Ware, Wm. Scherle, Ben Reifel, Wendell Wyatt, Katherine St. George, Frank Carlson, Henry Seamans, Sr., Ed Foreman. Wallace F. Bennett, Jack McDonald, Harold Collier, Paul Cronin, Homer Ferguson, Mrs. Howard M. Baker, J. Caleb Boggs, Henry P. Smith III, Hamer H. Budge, Martin McKneally, Seymour Halpern) (Also Orval Hansen)



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dear Orval:

Your warm response to my letter of February 16 is deeply appreciated.

Your endorsement of my candidacy will make the burdens of this campaign year just that much lighter.

Rest assured that your words of encouragement and support will not be forgotten.

With warmest personal regards, I remain,

The Honorable Orval Hansen 4405 - 33rd Road North Arlington, Virginia 22207



THE HOUSE WASHINGTON Jack attached is proposed response to all letters that do not require more detailed auswer. ell will, of course, be done on GRF letterhead. Reaction!!!

MEMORANDUM TO:

ANGELA RAISH

FROM:

CONNIE BANFORD

Augela, attached are more letters from former Members of Congress to the President, which require the same prepared response I spoke to you about.

Thanks again for all your help.

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(Attached letters from Charles A. Halleck, Page Belcher, Don Brotzman, Wiley Mayne, Jack Miller, Howard Pollock, Jackson E. Betts, William Conover, Robert P. Hanrahan, Stanley Tupper, John Davis Lodge, Thruston B. Morton, John Bricker, Fred Schwengel, Gordon Allott, Wm. Bray, William Hudnut, Leverett Saltonstall, George Aiken, John "Happy" Camp, Craig Hosmer, Stanford Parris, LaMar Baker, Vic Vegsey, James Van Zandt, John Hunt, Wm. Mailliard, Wm. Keating, Charles R. Jonas, Michael Ryan)



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

March 25, 1976

Dear Bill:

Your warm response to my letter of February 16 is deeply appreciated.

Your endorsement of my candidacy will make the burdens of this campaign year just that much lighter.

I am grateful for your offer to present to the White House the cabinet chair used by your grandfather, President Benjamin Harrison. I will be in touch with you about your very gracious proposal in the near future.

In the interim, let me assure you that your words of encouragement and support will not be forgotten.

With warmest personal regards, I remain,

The Honorable William Henry Harrison 17011 Dolphin Drive

North Redington Beach, Florida 33708



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Hon. Gerald R. Ford, President

The White House

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr President.

I am very pleased with your letter of February 16th asking for my advice and support. You have my unqualified support. Having served with you I know that you are a dedicated and loyal American. The citizens wanted an honest and sincere man to fill the place vacated by Nixon. In Jerry Ford they got such a man.

You did not say whether you wanted just an endorsement or an active participation in your campaign. They first you have, the second you can have if you feel that I can be of assistance in your organization.

The Harrison Family are all supporters of yours. My son on the staff of the Renegotiation Board and his wife who is working in your Washington headquarters as a volunteer are working for you. We all feel strongly that we need you in the White House.

If the following will help fine. If not O.K. I have the cabinet chair used by my grandfather Benjamin Harrison. The White House has a similar chair in the Treaty Room but not one used by a President. I believe the Chair should be in the White House. If you feel that the publicity of receiving the chair would be helpful, I will be pleased to present it to you personally for the White House collection at a time convenient to you.

Mary and I willbe here in Florida until the first of May and then will return to our home in Wyoming.

With Warm regards and best wishes

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

March 25, 1976

Dear Santh:

I was sorry to learn of your illness.

Your secretary, Mrs. McKeny, has told me about your recent operation.

I sincerely hope you are felling better, and that you enjoy a rapid and full recovery.

With warmest personal regards, I remain,

The Honorable Homer E. Capehart Suite 717 Board of Trade Building Indianapolis, Indiana 46204



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February 26, 1976

William In

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford President of the United States The White House Washington, D. C. 20000

Dear President Ford:

In reply to your letter of February 16, Senator Capehart has asked me to write and tell you he has been very, very ill. He had a very serious operation and while he is recuperating slowly, he is not too active as yet.

As soon as he is able, he will be in touch with you personally.

With Best Regards,

Sincerely.

(Mrs.) Ruth G. McKeny,

Secretary to Homer E. Capehart

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