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August 26, 1981

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

Dear Mr. President:

We sincerely hope that you will find time in your busy schedule to read our letter and perhaps even send us your answer.

Very briefly about our family - we moved to the United States about 12 years ago from a Communist/Socialist country. We consider ourselves very lucky to be able to live and work in the United States which we feel is the best country in the world.

Upon our arrival our total wealth was about 98 dollars. Both of us worked hard and, in our opinion, achieved a lot. We have achieved so much because we had the greatest incentive - freedom of choice. We have chosen to make our home in St. Louis County for many reasons, of which quality of education in the local school district was one of the most important.

We are gladly paying very high school taxes for this district, and we wish to continue to do so, as well as we wish for our daughters to get their education right here in our neighborhood where they feel happy and comfortable. We will not allow for them to be bussed daily for many miles into unfamiliar surroundings and deteriorated schools with inferior education.

We feel that a great deal of effort and money is spent on a totally wrong solution for the school desegregation problem. The situation is now getting out of control as the threat of forced bussing is becoming more and more a reality. After months of trying unsuccessfully to involve all the St. Louis metropolitan school districts in a voluntary bussing issue, the Federal Judge William Hungate has now ordered a mandatory desegregation program which will result in bussing of 75,000 students.

We understand the complexity of the whole question, and the need for every child to get a proper education, but the result of forced bussing is simply reversed discrimination.

We are sure that this is not the first letter by concerned parents sent to you, but we felt that we should let you know our opinion as well.

Last election we voted for you. Besides many other views that we agreed with you, you also stated that you oppose forced bussing.

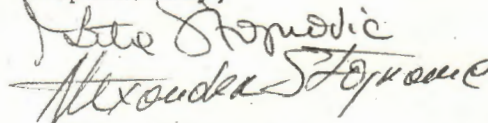
As it seems right now, there is a great need for you to reaffirm your position on this issue. We are aware that the decision on bussing at this moment is left up to each state, but it seems that the federal judicial system is used to change the decision of the people and curb our freedom of choice as to where our children will be going to school.

If and when the forced bussing effects our family, we will under no circumstances agree to it.

Last but not least, we feel that we should not be deprived of the greatest tool of democracy - voting on the important issues that will decide our own future and the future of our children, because without that, democracy will be no more.

We thank you for your time in reading this letter and we hope you will pardon its length.

Respectfully,



Zita and Alexander Stojkovic

cc: Governor Christopher Bond
Senator John Danforth
Senator Thomas Eagleton
Congressman Richard Gebhardt
Congressman Robert Young
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I am very happy to let you know I am strictly 100% against any busing at all of any school children to any other schools. You are denying our country's great freedom to our children; also, are not protecting our children's right to better their education at all. This is their life and not yours to push them around schools and waste our hard earned money. Signed: Mrs. Ann Prokopychuk — 620 Reavis Barracka Road St. Louis, Mo. 63125



Dear President Reagan.

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After all the years of desperation, when you were elected we had hope for the first time because you said that you were against forced bussing. we had hope because of the new make up of congress. Myself and other nans members believe that after all this time for this session of congress wonder why no action has been taken, Mr. President we along with 80%-90% of the population would like for you to meet with nans officers to discuss this awful state of affairs as to forced bussing. The cost of the bussing of school children here in Marion County (that was forced on the people by Judge Hugh Dillon) is in the neighborhood of Twenty million dollars. this bill to be footed by Indian tax payers and we Blacks who pay enough taxes now

Yours Expressly Ray Hanks

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STOP FORCED BUSING



Sept.

President Reagan:

Sir:

Here we are in what is supposed to be a democratic society and after what happened in this country during World War II, again people are being told what to do.

My husband's people were put into camps in this country because they were Japanese Americans. And today our children are being told they can not go to their own home school.

We moved ten years ago so our children would not have to ride a bus.

I can not understand how in a society like ours, this can be allowed to happen. It seems that busing is more important than a child's education. And if there is such a shortage of fuel, then why is our tax money being wasted on busing? This money could be used to up grade our schools and pay our teachers. My daughters tell me that they were learning more at their home school than the one they were sent to. If this is so, then why must their education suffer to accomodate the

black race. and why is everything being covered up by the news media? And how come there are only 2 to 5 white children in the class rooms, if there is to be an equal number of black & white children?

There have been children seriously hurt in schools and other problems, but the media blacks it out.

My daughters have been threatened in school, we've reported it, but nothing changes. Or they are told they are not telling the truth, hum bug!

How they can't afford the buses they have and are sending the children by means of R.T.A., which can take over an hour.

My daughter has missed two days of school because her bus never showed up. Of course when you call about it, the "Board of Education" tells you the bus was there. regardless, "what a terrible waste" What are our future leaders going to be like?

Please if you can put an end to all of this a lot of parents of this country would be grateful.

Mr. & Mrs. Ken Hiramoto
4322 West 140th Street
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Thank you
Mrs Ken Hiramoto



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President Ronald Reagan
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20501

Dear President Reagan:

RE: AN IMMEDIATE END TO COURT-ORDERED FORCED BUSING!

Previous letters to you have wound up in the hands of "an assistant to the assistant" Attorney General! And promptly pigeon-holed, I'm sure! Therefore, a copy of this letter is being forwarded to a number of other people in hopes that someone who cares will see it, and call the matter to your attention in the event your mail, again, is directed to the (in)JUSTICE DEPARTMENT.

Speaking for the organization I represent, and for every parent and tax-payer in this vast region, I URGE YOU TO TAKE STEPS IMMEDIATELY to help rid our nation of the costly, destructive and repugnant policy of forced racial balancing.

We have watched, in helpless rage, as previous administrations, controlled by a wasteful and liberal Congress, spread racism throughout our nation's public schools. The overwhelming confidence placed in you last November was based largely on your vow to end "forced busing" once and for all. We must insist that you devote your energies toward this end before Congress recesses.

Hundreds of NANS groups through the States have secured FOR YOU a workable, conservative Congress -- one you can deal with. People everywhere are sick to death of seeing countless millions of tax dollars go down the drain to pay for gimmicks and school buses, all designed to perpetuate and escalate forced busing at the expense of public education. We cannot tolerate this any longer. Our Congress is ready to act -- you must work with them and help before it's too late for our children.

To this end, we urge you to meet, personally, with our NANS president, Mr. William D'Onofrio. He speaks for all of us. Congress is ready to help, and we need (and expect) your undivided attention as well.

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Mr. Lynn Hoftaiger
Senator Orrin Hatch
✓ Mr. Norton Blackwell
Mr. William D'Onofrio

Sincerely,

Ora Mae French



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President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Reagan:

We urge you to prod the Department of Justice to stop promoting forced busing and to back efforts in the Congress to end the disintegration of our public schools by federal mandate. We are opposed to all forms of racial discrimination and one of the worst is that against children of both races ordered by federal judges who ignore the 10th Amendment, as well as the Civil Rights Act. If the courts will not curb themselves, Congress must under Article III.

Small Business depends on local communities and neighborhoods. Our members suffer, not only as parents and householders, but also as business men and women, and the ability to lead and support community activities also suffers from the dislocation and hatred bred by use of the police power to experiment with peoples' lives.

The fabric of civilization may wear thin, as Mrs. Thatcher observed recently, but the matrix of social institutions which give a sense of community to people on the blocks where they live cannot be easily replaced when they are told that they can no longer send their children to schools they have paid taxes to build and whose teachers they pay. When a neighborhood is killed, the Small Businesses die too.

Best wishes,

Thomas H. Latimer
Assistant Secretary

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"When you tax something, you get less of that thing. We are taxing work, saving, investment, enterprise and excellence, and we are getting less of each. When you subsidize something, you get more of that thing. We are subsidizing welfare, debt, unemployment and mediocrity, and getting more of each."--Rep. Jack Kemp

Petition to Preserve Neighborhood Schools-H.J. Res. 234 and HR 4479:

Rep. _____
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515



We petition you to sign House Discharge Petitions for House Joint Resolution 234 (Mottl, D. Cleveland) and for H.R. 4479 (Mc Donald, D. GA) to prohibit federal judges from ordering students to leave their friends and attend public schools outside their own neighborhood. Forced Busing for "racial balance" violates the 9th, 10th and 14th Amendments of the U.S. Constitution. It violates the Supreme Court's 1954 decision in "Brown vs. Board of Education" which reversed 50 years of public school policy of "separate but equal." 90% of the American People oppose this discrimination against children because they are "black" or "white." Justice is blind as to race.

House Discharge Petition #1 has already been signed by 197 Representatives. 21 more are needed. H.J. Res. 234 provides the following Amendment to the Constitution: "Section 1. No student shall be compelled to attend a public school other than the one nearest his residence. Sec. 2. The Congress shall have the power to enforce by appropriate legislation the provisions of this article; and to insure equal educational opportunities for all students wherever located." HR 4479 will insure the equal protection of the laws and protect the liberty of citizens as guaranteed under the 14th Amendment by eliminating Federal Court jurisdiction over forced school attendance: "Pursuant to article III, sections 1 and 2, of the United States Constitution, no court of the United States shall have the jurisdiction to make any decision, or issue any order, which would have the effect of requiring any individual to attend any particular school."

Racism is a crude form of collectivism. Its most pernicious aspect is the effect on the children who are caught up in it. It consists of treating people as members of racial groups instead of as individuals based on their own talents and abilities. Busing increases racial tensions. If we wish to attack racism, we must eliminate race as a standard for determining anything. This means we must eliminate Government-imposed quotas and "affirmative action." The first to go should be the most insidious: Assignment of children to public schools on the basis of their race.

Discriminating against today's school children in no way corrects past discrimination. No one would advocate that a man's son pay for a crime committed by his father; yet in regard to racial discrimination, a militant few believe that guilt is collective and is passed on from one generation to the next. This policy of Court ordered "race conscious" school assignment to remedy past discrimination is illegal. Equal Protection of the Law is not afforded to those children forced to attend a particular school because of their race. In fact this is precisely what the Supreme Court held in the Brown case when it out-lawed racial discrimination and ordered admission to the public schools on a nonracial basis. Congress agreed when it passed the Civil Rights Act of 1964 defining "desegregation" as "The assignment of students to public schools and within such schools without regard to their race, color, religion, or national origin; but 'desegregation' shall not mean the assignment of students to public schools in order to overcome racial imbalance."

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President Ronald Reagan
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Dear Mr. President:

Have you ever had to justify seemingly unjustifiable actions taken by someone you trusted completely? Have you ever been so very disappointed by someone in whom you placed your faith, yet still wanted to hold on to that faith? We both know your answer to both questions is yes. Therefore, I hope you can understand my feelings, President Reagan, because that's the way I feel about you.

Our organization not only endorsed you but NANS leaders and its members personally campaigned extremely hard for you on the grass roots level. Each one of us praised you to our families, friends and business associates. We felt very comfortable and proud of your personally stated anti-busing position and the Republican party platform opposing forced busing.

Since you have taken office, President Reagan, you have refused to meet with NANS leaders; yet you have met with leaders of left-leaning organizations which opposed you loudly during your campaign. You have appointed people to the Department of Justice who have openly expressed pro-busing personal sentiments and you have silently watched the Department pursue racial balancing schemes in various cities. It's true, in the past few weeks, these Department actions seem to be lessening, but your personal credibility has been damaged.

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The President
September 10, 1981
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Please tell me, President Reagan, how I can explain your actions to NANS members and our many friends. I honestly believe we could solve this problem if you would sit down and talk to us; face - to - face.

I personally feel so utterly frustrated when I try to answer our members questions on why this is happening. I'm still wanting so very much to believe in you, but it's getting harder with each rebuff. Each time we try to reach you, our efforts are thwarted. Our letters wind up being answered by the Departments of Education, or Justice, or worse, not answered at all.

With a great deal of respect, Mr. President, we voted for you, Ronald Reagan, not one of your appointees. We would sincerely and gratefully appreciate some answers to our concerns from you personally.

Thank you very much and God bless you during these very trying times.

Very truly yours,
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR
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Kaye C. Cook; Secretary
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cc: Lyn Nofziger
✓ Morton Blackwell



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Dear President Reagan:

I was overjoyed when you were elected our new President. I had known how much you were against forced busing of our school children. I was more than confident that you would "take the bull by the horns" and stop this horrible use of our children.

When our new Congress became more conservative, I knew for sure with this combination (Reagan and the conservative Congress), we would have the forced busing stopped in no time.

Time is running out and we as members of NANS have not seen anything to indicate you are pushing for legislation to end the busing.

I feel we Americans have waited long enough for our children to be returned to us. This practice is government by judiciary and should be stopped by you and our Congress this year.

I had in the past requested that you personally meet with representatives of NANS, however that request was not acknowledged.

We of NANS beg you to meet with a group of our officers within the next month so our views may be presented to you personally. Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

Marlene Ferrell
Mrs. Marlene C. Ferrell
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Dear President Reagan:

This letter stating our concerns is to my President. Copies are being mailed to the Justice Department and other officials. This copy is for the President.

In two days we begin another school year of chaos. The news media blames the chaos on dual administration and recommends appointment of one administrator over everything. That appointment, of course, would be made by the federal judge; and we would then be under TOTAL dictatorship with no one to even appeal for our rights. And the news media will not let us be heard. When they interview parents and students, they are hand-picked and coached. I have been a victim of this "coaching." They question you and question you until you are talking about something far different from what you intended. And then a totally twisted, unrecognizable version comes out in print or on TV or radio.

You promised, Mr. Reagan. The Republican Party platform promises. We elected you and other Republicans with great hopes.

Yet your Justice Department's opinion is that Senator Helms' anti-busing amendment was unconstitutional. Your Max Friedersdorf was quoted as saying you would not lobby Congress in favor of anti-busing legislation. Edwin Meese III stated that your administration is not looking favorable at attempts to strip the courts of the authority to order busing. And William Reynolds stated that he opposed stripping the courts of jurisdiction to order busing. Your Department of Justice prepared a memorandum opposing legislation aimed at stripping the courts of jurisdiction to order busing, and they issued a position paper opposing congressional efforts to prevent the department from using its appropriation to advocate and pursue busing orders in court. Robert McConneel, your Justice Department's chief lobbyist, reportedly had to be restrained from lobbying the Congress in favor of racial balance busing.

Why have you met with proponents of forced busing such as the NAACP, The Urban League etc. as well as with radicals from "Gay Rights" and militant feminist movements and yet still have not met with NANS?

Mr. President, we are so tired of this chaos, this dictatorship, this waste, this cruelty to parents and children. MR. REAGAN, YOU SAID YOU WERE AGAINST FORCED BUSING. WHAT WILL YOU DO ABOUT IT?

cc: Edwin Meese III, James Baker, Lynn Noftziger,
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D'Agostino Esq., Terrel Bell, Mary Rose Oakar,
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Paul Lexalt, and other interested
parties

Very truly yours,

Joyce Haws

Mrs. Joyce Haws

for the officers and members of the
Cleveland area NANS affiliate

*Our goals: To peacefully & legally stop both 'forced busing' and federal intervention in schools.
We are a non-profit, Ohio corporation, chartered in 1976 as: "Citizens for Neighborhood Schools Inc "*

Ruth Glascott, New Jersey Director
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September 7th, 1981

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear President Reagan:

I hope you see and read this letter and that it is not turned over to the Department of Justice, or the Department of Education, as have many of my past letters.

We are very displeased, to date, with the actions of this administration's Justice Department, lobbying for more of the short shrift, for our children, re forced busing/balancing and are patiently waiting for the President to do something positive about this, - AS PER HIS CAMPAIGN PROMISES.

Firstly, I do want to remind the President that even before he took office, or became a candidate, he was VERY outspoken AGAINST "busing", - and, secondly, - he DID RUN UNDER the GOP plank, in the platform, which states VERY STRONG OPPOSITION TO SAME.

Public opinion has got to count for something, in a democracy, even if the laws of our land do not, - (apparently they do not, in this case!), and it has been noted that only a very FEW, - of each race, or ethnic background, - approve of the policy to FORCE-balance schools.

The vast MAJORITY, of all races and ethnicities, vehemently DISAPPROVE, as witnessed by many private and public surveys, - not the least of which came out of Boston area, last year. Of blacks ONLY, - 85% rejected the concept of busing, in favor of upgrading the system. (Take note of all the black groups which have been springing up, lately, - against busing!)

It is obviously the least thought of social program, by the MOST people, - EVER! Having nothing to do with equal educational opportunities, or so-called quality education, - and has only accomplished one thing, over the years, - DISCONTENT.

It was understandable, when our last President admonished the Congress to kill an anti-busing measure, - given his liberal politics, - though INEXCUSABLE for a President not to have taken seriously his vow to uphold the U. S. Constitution, - ("so help him, God!")

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But, we who voted this President into office, have a right to EXPECT SOMETHING DIFFERENT. We have a right to EXPECT him to heed the wishes and will of the people, - owing to his past performance and stand, in this matter, and to give us the RELIEF we have sought, for so many years.

I took the trouble to hand deliver a letter to Mrs. Reagan, last year, (to give to her husband), when she visited Jersey City, for a Democrats for Reagan rally. - - - The contents of that letter, it seems now, were very appropo.

I expressed fears and trepidations about some of the people we learned would be close to the President and who might possibly influence him away from his 'purist' ideals. - - - Have those fears become reality? If so, we have WON NOTHING from our 1980 victory, at the polls, and the TWO PARTY SYSTEM IS DEAD!

We who had hoped for a CHANCE, - "A NEW BEGINNING", - are most to be pitied and the future of our country and its people, has been signed, sealed and delivered to those who do not wish us well, - but who wish to continue sowing the seeds of discontent, through such abhorrant policies of FORCE AND MANIPULATION!

We believed that, in President Reagan, - we had come full circle, - back to the freedoms, faith and government, of our founders, - BUT from some of the recent statements coming out of the White House and Justice, on the busing issue in particular, we can't help but wonder if those PRECIOUS FREEDOMS have been lost to us, FOREVER! (GOD FORBID!)

One of the most precious freedoms it seems to me, is the God-given right of raising ones children, as one sees fit and that CERTAINLY MUST INCLUDE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE WHERE YOUR CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL!

This issue is never more poignant than at this time of year with the start of school and both parents and children being needlessly upset over where, when and how far away from neighborhood and home the children WILL BE FORCED TO GO. - - - Countless families, across the land, no longer look upon this time as a happy time, but rather as a time to dread! This is not only morally, - but legally WRONG!

It is obvious, or should be, how this is morally wrong and should be equally obvious that using this FORCE to manipulate families and races, is DOWNRIGHT UNCONSTITUTIONAL, because it does NOT afford EVERY CHILD "EQUAL PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW"! How can it, when one is unfortunate enough to be forced away from all that one holds near and dear?!

Does this FORCE "abridge", or "disparage" the rights of those coming up on the short end of the straw? You bet it does!

Does this FORCE VIOLATE an Act of Congress? (1964 CRA-Title IV, sec. 401) And in turn VIOLATE THE "EXCEPTIONS" CLAUSE of Art. III, sec. 2 of our U. S. Constitution? THE SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND. (or, supposed to be!) It most assuredly does!

By this FORCE have our officials allowed the decisions of the Supreme Court to be the supreme law of the land, INSTEAD OF THE U. S. CONSTITUTION? They certainly do allow such!

With this FORCE, have our officials permitted the sins of our fathers to be visited on our children, in effect, (in spirit), returning to the use of "outlawed" "bills of attainder"? In my opinion, our THREE BRANCHES OF GOVERNMENT permit this every-time one child is forced to leave "his/her school", solely due to race or ethnicity, because of something the fathers may, or may NOT have done!

By this FORCE, have our leaders thrown away all that was RIGHTFULLY fought for and RIGHTFULLY won, by Linda Brown and her father, in 1954? Of course they are! - - - NAACP attorneys argued that race COULD NOT, MUST NOT be used as the criteria for school assignments! MUST NEVER, - EVER! Yet, our leaders allow the opposite. WHY?

The list of immoralities and illegalities are nearly endless, in this issue and in all good conscience MUST NOT BE PERMITTED TO CONTINUE, as the blot it has been and is, on our "free" and democratic society. - - - We can hardly tell the world how to live, by its laws, when we, in America, DO NOT SET THE RIGHT EXAMPLES, ourselves. (In this issue, we are the laughing-stock of the so-called free world.)

Just as Carter admonished the Congress to keep right on busing, - we expect this President to admonish them to stop it and pass STRONG ANTI-BUSING LEGISLATION, as soon as possible; return us three EQUAL branches of government and tell so-called Justice (Dept.), they are duty bound to uphold the Supreme Law of the Land, as well.

May we hear something in the affirmative, from your office, - soon?

cc: Edwin Meese III
James Baker
Lynn Nofziger
Morton Blackwell ✓
(Executive Offices
Washington, D. C.)

Respectfully,

Ruth Glascott
Ruth Glascott
N. J. Dir. NANS, Inc.

September 1, 1981

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Please note the enclosed evidence of court dictatorship and tyranny, the misuse of tax money, and the take-over of our schools. This evidence points out the absolute necessity of immediate passage of legislation and/or a Constitutional Amendment to limit the courts, stop the take-over commonly called "forced busing" and restore representative government. We must stop the misuse of tax dollars that should be used for quality education in neighborhood schools.

*Please meet
with NANS!*

Very truly yours,

Joyce Haws

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Battisti jails school board officials

By Annette V. Tucker
U.S. District Judge Frank J. Battisti ordered Cleveland school board President John E. Gallagher Jr. and Treasurer Paul Yacobian jailed by federal marshals yesterday until paychecks for 31 desegregation employees were released to desegregation officials.
Battisti found Gallagher and Yacobian in contempt of court for

failing to approve about \$127,000 in personnel costs and \$16,000 in consultant fees sought by desegregation administrator Donald R. Waldrip.

Battisti immediately ordered a red-faced Gallagher and Yacobian taken into custody by three marshals, who were waiting in the back of his courtroom. The two school officials were handcuffed

and led to a holding cell, where they were held for about 25 minutes.

Lawyers for Gallagher and Yacobian, who endorse paychecks to school system employees, had argued in the hearing that Battisti's June 19 ruling, guaranteeing Waldrip's right to hire personnel without board approval, did not grant authority to grant pay raises or promotions.

Battisti ruled yesterday, "There is no doubt, so long as (Waldrip) stays within budget, that the administrator's authority to hire includes the authority to set salaries. . . . The defendants once again have insisted on reading this court's orders in the most convoluted and distorted fashion possible."

Throughout the two-hour hearing, a visibly agitated Battisti

interrupted and questioned each speaker.

Battisti called the school system fiscally irresponsible and said its administrators had a commitment to failure of desegregation.

When Teresa Demchak, a lawyer for the NAACP, argued that Waldrip's budget should be more carefully monitored by the board,

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Battisti said, "If the court allows such a latitude to the board they could set standards that could actually and thoroughly frustrate desegregation."

Mark O'Neill, lawyer from the State Board of Education, argued the board had a right to question the reasoning behind Waldrip's fiscal policies. He said failure of the board to abide by Waldrip's orders was not failure to abide by court orders.

Battisti responded, "I didn't appoint an administrator then add a paragraph saying, 'Now all of you may nitpick this man to

death. If he conducts himself irresponsibly, the court will deal with that because he's a creature of this court."

In his decision finding Gallagher and Yacobian in contempt, Battisti promised to review at another time the administrator-directed pay raises.

Gallagher and Yacobian were released shortly after 1 p.m., when the paychecks in question had been delivered to Waldrip's lawyer, Richard L. Boylan.

Outside the Old Federal Building, Gallagher sputtered angrily, "The reason we were thrown in jail, treated like common criminals, is because Frank Battisti's Montana fishing buddy was not granted the pay increase that Waldrip proposed."

Gallagher was referring to Robert Cope, a consultant to the school's athletic program, who met Battisti during one of the judge's fishing trips to Montana several years ago. Cope stands to gain \$11,000 a year from Waldrip's pay hikes.

The June 19 order has been appealed to U.S. Court of Appeals 6th Circuit.

School board lawyer George Meisel filed an appeal of yesterday's decision minutes after it was rendered.

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Dear President Reagan:

I am just starting a fifth year in which I am paying nearly \$1,000 to keep our child in private school rather than endanger her life on a wild ride on a school bus on Cleveland freeways to a school miles away where she can no longer get an education because our schools have been destroyed. The teachers cannot, dare not, discipline, and our money for books, equipment and personnel has been thrown away on the whims of dictators - a school in which she would not be safe because of the lack of discipline.

I just read where a federal judge in St. Louis ordered 18 county school districts to be involved in St. Louis busing by naming them defendants, without ever a day in court. The same thing happened several years ago in Wilmington, Delaware. I just read that the court-appointed desegregation dictator in Cleveland ordered pay raises for his people and that the school treasurer and school board members have been summoned to court for possible contempt-of-court charges for rebelling against our tax money being spent this way without school board authorization. (He hired these people without school-board authorization too, and the federal judge here ruled he had the authority to hire without board approval.)

It goes on and on and on. For all these years I have been unable to buy the necessary things for our household...because I have spent the extra money on tuition and helping to support the National Association for Neighborhood Schools (NANS) - trying to stop dictatorship - trying to get those we elect to do their jobs.

The news media refuses to admit we exist. We have to spend money to be our own news media with flyers, a recorded phone message, etc. We have to spend our days and nights passing out flyers and working on fund raisers to support what we do.

People have told me they will not write to their senators and congressmen because they are afraid of the government. Teachers sneak us a dollar or two and tell us they are afraid to even write a check to us for fear of their jobs. We sold candy to raise money, and people were afraid to fill out an order for the candy. A local grocery chain offers "benefit days" to organizations and gives 5% of one's grocery order to that organization. The customer presents an authorization slip which he must sign. A teacher told me yesterday she couldn't do it because she had to sign this slip - and whispered to me, "I work for the school board." Priests and pastors say to us, "We agree with you, but we can't say anything, you know." We hear, "I wish I could help, but I am afraid of my job." We hear, "It won't do any good. Politicians do what they want." We try to get people to register to vote. Many refuse because they are afraid. That is true, Mr. Reagan.

Why won't you meet with NANS officers and help us plan how we can end this disaster immediate. You have met with our enemy. Why worry about the economy and the federal budget if we allow our nation to fall to dictatorship and our schools, containing the future of this nation, to be taken over and used for purposes that are un-American. Why worry about protecting our shores with military might and allow us to fall within. How can you allow a situation in which Americans are afraid to even work for what should be their rights?

Please give this issue priority attention. Please meet with NANS officials. This is a personal letter, but I am enclosing a sheet of our letterhead.

Sincerely,

Joyce Haws
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August 18, 1981

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
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At our annual directors' meeting many pressing concerns were expressed.

(1) That the anti-busing sentiment across this nation has been filtered out of the news media (2) That letters to you are forwarded to the justice department, raising the question that perhaps the contents of such letters are not made known to you (nor the quantity) (3) That after five years of requests, NANS officers have not been able to meet personally with any President, including you, and (4) that why the Department of Justice under Wm. French Smith IS STILL PUSHING FORCED BUSING under a President who ran on a GOP Platform stating "There must be no forced busing" and (5) Why the news media indicates you are unaware of the proposed Mottl constitutional amendment.

Mr. President, the entire future of this nation may rest on this issue. ...whether we will continue to allow a take-over of our schools will have such far-reaching implications that we can only shudder.

We have met with Mr. Morton Blackwell. We still want our officers to be able to meet personally with you. This meeting should take place very soon. We do not feel that after all these years we should be put off any longer from a personal meeting with the President himself.

Thank you.

cc: Mr. Morton Blackwell
Mr. Lynn Noftziger

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Mr. President, a take-over of schools makes our children, the future of our nation, captive audience to social engineers and eliminates parental and citizen input. Is this not far more serious than even the economy? This is un-American! It is racist! It is judicial tyranny!

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STOP FORCED BUSING



For God so loved the
world that He gave
His only begotten Son
that whosoever believeth
in Him should not perish
but have everlasting life.

REV. FR. MICHAEL K. COUREY
4732 W. 20th Street
Cleveland, Ohio 44109
Phone 351-9279

September 21, 1981

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

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Dear President Reagan:

The Future of the Cleveland School System looks more and more dismal. The system has been almost completely destroyed since Federal Judge Battisti ordered forced busing. Your help is urgently needed. You must put a stop to this DICTATORSHIP. Please speak out. Support legislation to abolish court ordered interference. Judge Battisti is giving a terrible, tyrannical image of federal judges all over the country. While our teaching staff has suffered because of "lack of money" for raises and staff, loads of high paid desegregation "consultants" are awarded huge raises of \$10,000 and more added to inflated wages.

NO CHILD SHOULD BE FORCED BY THE U.S. COURTS TO ANY SCHOOL ON THE BASIS OF RACE, RELIGION OR NATIONAL ORIGIN. NO PERSON SHOULD BE FORCED TO TRAVEL 15 to 20 MILES EACH WAY TWICE A DAY TO SCHOOLS IN STRANGE NEIGHBORHOODS WHEN ADEQUATE SCHOOLS ARE ONLY BLOCKS AWAY. WHAT BECAME OF "BEAUTIFUL AMERICA, THE LAND OF THE FREE AND THE BRAVE."??????????

PLEASE MEET WITH THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES VERY SOON. CONGRESS MUST STOP FORCED BUSING IMMEDIATELY. JUDGE BATTISTI'S ACTIONS CONSTITUTE A DICTATORSHIP YOU MUST PUT AN END TO.

WHILE YOU WERE CAMPAIGNING YOU PROMISED THAT YOU WOULD STOP FORCED BUSING, AND THAT IS WHY WE VOTED FOR YOU. THE REPUBLICAN PARTY PLATFORM CALLS FOR THE END OF BUSING. PLEASE HELP TO KEEP PROMISES MADE AND BELIEVED OR WE WILL ACTIVELY CAMPAIGN AGAINST EVERYONE WHO MADE BROKEN PROMISES.

Sincerely yours,

Rev. Fr. Michael Courey



Morton B.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS, INC.

October 22, 1981

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National Association of Neighborhood Schools
308 Rural Hill Road
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Dear President Reagan:

We take due note of the fact that you traveled half-way across the nation to speak to the NAACP Convention, only to receive jeers and boos. Since NANS has been unsuccessful in getting just 10 minutes of your time in the Oval Office, the least we can expect is that this letter be read in its entirety.

We don't mean to be discourteous or disrespectful, Mr. President, but the time has come for some plain talk. And we can't make it any plainer than this: we've just about had it with the Reagan Administration.

After nearly a decade of federal court and Justice Department wreaking havoc with the St. Louis city's educational system, last year the court mandated forced-busing within that city's 61 square miles. That court order also contained the threat of expanding forced-busing to include THREE huge counties west of the city for a total of 1,786 square miles. Why, that's just shy of the size of the whole state of Delaware - and once and one-half the size of Rhode Island!

About the same time last year, the Republican Party passed a strong platform plank, with YOUR fervent blessing, against forced-busing. We KNOW that plank caused the vast majority of citizens in the St. Louis metro area to cast their ballots for YOU and other Republicans in our state (Governor, Attorney-General), and TWO NEW Republican Congressmen). Indeed, while pro-busing Senator Eagleton would be loathe to admit it, the anti-busing stand taken by his relatively unknown Republican opponent, Gene nearly cost him his Senate seat. NCPAC agrees.

So, you were elected. And before you took office, Carter vetoed the Justice Department appropriations bill because of the Helms anti-busing amendment to it. YOU announced YOU WOULD HAVE SIGNED IT. We took HIGH HOPES from that.

We were expecting some prompt action in Congress. But instead, Senator Baker asked that we "please, be patient" — the budget cut legislation was of paramount importance. The "social issues" (that's busing, according to Baker) would be put on the back burner a while.

O.K. We kept up our fund-raising activities (profits sent to NANS lobbying fund), letter writing campaigns to Congress, petition signing (nearly 100,000 signatures obtained during 4 winter months. Ask Danforth).

The budget legislation passed with a whopping majority. Now, on to the social issues, right??? Wrong.

You were laid now with an assassin's bullet in your chest. And while you were away from the White House (while the cat's away, the mice will play), those good ole' boys in the Justice Department came up with a "free" (costing millions to our state's taxpayers, however) college tuition incentive (bribe) plan as their input to the St. Louis case. That plan got such bad press across the nation you hardly hear of it anymore. Good thing for you, too, because it was labeled the "Reagan Administration Plan." We have serious doubts that you even knew what was in the works; we can't imagine that YOU would lend YOUR NAME to such a plan to plunder our state's treasury.

Upon your recovery, we once again were asked to be patient. The tax cut legislation is of paramount importance, and the "social" issues were kept on the back burner. The tax cut package, like the budget cut bills, passed with an overwhelming majority. And you left D.C. on a well deserved vacation.

. And while you were out on your ranch, we were here on ours, telling people the Reagan Administration wouldn't let us down, quoting comments by Attorney-General William French Smith, leading Republicans in the House and Senate. And on Friday, August 14, came our favorite quote from the St. Louis Post Dispatch, "President Reagan has taken a personal interest in the St. Louis public schools desegregation case, presidential counselor Edwin Meese III says."

HALLELUJAH!!!

But wait, while you were away from the White House, the Justice Department mice were at play again.

Front page, St. Louis Globe Democrat, August 18, "THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION, rejecting pleas from Missouri officials, urged the U.S. Supreme Court NOT to hear an appeal of court-ordered desegregation of St. Louis schools." This urging, according to the Globe, comes from Assistant U.S. Attorney-General William Bradford Reynolds.

WHAT'S GOING ON??? Who is this guy, Reynolds??? Is he on your team or not??? What is the Justice Department afraid of??? Are they afraid to have the Supreme Court take a good, close look at our state's case??? That's how it appears to us.

We just can't believe that the REAGAN ADMINISTRATION would seek to deny our state its day before the Supreme Court, OR OPPOSE OUR STATE IN THE SUPREME COURT IF THE CASE IS HEARD. Is your administration out to do something FOR US or TO US???

From all outward appearances, you seem to have a better handle on Congress than you do on your own Cabinet.

As far as Reynolds is concerned, he's been making comments about legislation to outlaw forced-busing which are in direct conflict with your own personal statements and position, not to mention your platform. He should be (if not fired) at least taken behind the woodshed and set straight. We gave you a new broom, but a few corners appear to remain unswept.

We're beginning to feel the aftermath (nausea) of all these roller-coaster rides we've been treated to these past months and our patience is diminishing rapidly.

The threat of expanding mandatory busing draws closer with each day; forced busing of children in 41 school districts. We haven't even had our day in the lower federal courts yet, and the way Reynolds is acting, YOUR Justice Department might make moves to prevent even that.

We're not the only American community suffering the onslaughts of the federal courts and the Justice Depart. Americans across this nation are waiting for YOU to take some action to restore their freedom to send their children to neighborhood schools.

Here in the St. Louis metro area, we've raised over \$10,000 in 8 short months to pay lobbying costs in D.C. to help YOU fulfill YOUR platform promise. And in return, we've received nothing but lip service from a few in your administration, and a knife in the back from YOUR Justice Department.

WE BEG YOU not to leave D.C. again, not even for Thanksgiving or Christmas. Lord knows what YOUR Justice Department would do to us and you in your absence.

TELL US, MR. PRESIDENT, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO FOR US (NOT TO US)? WE THINK YOU OWE US AN ANSWER AND SOME ACTION, POST HASTE.

Mr. Blackwell: Please read this and see that Mr. Reagan gets this. I would also like to object to the CFC issues including the NAACP and FEW groups included. I will not donate to the CFC

Elmer C. Haeber 724 Henkin Dr. St. Louis Mo 63123

Sept. 15, 1981

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

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As you know, under the Constitution, Congress can stop forced busing. However, when an attempt is made to pass legislation to this effect, you remain silent. In addition, your Staff classifies forced busing as "too divisive." Your Justice Department continues to advocate forced busing.

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Susan Kuhn
2727 Bellwood Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43209

Sept. 15, 1981

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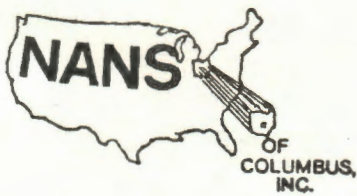
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Respectfully,

Carolyn R. Mumaw
314 Glenmont Ave.
Columbus, Ohio 43214



NANS OF COLUMBUS, INC.
POST OFFICE BOX 14887
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43214

September 30, 1981

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

Dear Mr. President:

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The Justice Department continues to advocate busing and you remain silent during crucial votes in Congress, while members of your staff classify the busing issue as "too divisive."

It is not enough, Mr. President, to merely say you are against forced busing, it becomes meaningless if you do not now take action. You have met with proponents of forced busing such as the NAACP and the National Urban League, but you have not met with leaders from the National Association for Neighborhood Schools (NANS).

I urge you to meet with NANS leaders as soon as possible and to take immediate action, based upon your often stated opposition to forced busing.

Respectfully,

Sharon L. Goodburn, President
55 Richards Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43214

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Respectfully,

Donald L. Kereipp
4128 Ruston Lane
Columbus, Ohio 43220

cc: Representative Wyche
Mr. Edwin Meese III
Mr. James Baker
Mr. Lynn Rofziger
Mr. Norton Blackwell

Representative Starnesky
Attorney General William French Smith
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Robert D. Agostino, Esq.
Secretary of Education Terrel Bell

September 14, 1981

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

Dear Mr. President:

Attached is a copy of a letter written by you during your candidacy. While the National Association for Neighborhood Schools (NANS) appreciates receiving your letter, it becomes meaningless if you do not now take action, as President, to stop forced busing.

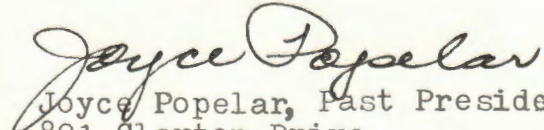
During your campaign, NANS members in Ohio distributed thousands of flyers (i.e., 10,000 in Cincinnati; 10,000 in Cleveland; 15,000 in Columbus), published news releases, spoke on radio and television, and published both national and local newsletters supporting you. Our Cleveland affiliate spent a year deputizing its members to register people so they could vote for you.

We did not do these things because we expected you, if elected, to remain neutral on the issue of forced busing. We did so with the expectation that, if elected, you would use the full power of your office to stop forced busing. We expected you to support the Republican platform plank which opposes forced busing.

Instead the Justice Department continues to advocate busing and you remain silent during crucial votes in Congress, while members of your staff classify the busing issue as "too divisive." You have met with such busing proponents as the NAACP and the National Urban League, but have not yet met with NANS leaders.

I urge you to meet with NANS leaders as soon as possible and to take action, based upon your often stated opposition to forced busing.

Respectfully,


Joyce Popelar, Past President
891 Clayton Drive
Worthington, Ohio 43085

Sept 15, 1981

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

You stated your opposition to forced housing and campaigned on the Republican Platform which contains a plank opposing forced housing.

Under the Constitution Congress can stop forced housing. However, whenever an attempt is made to pass legislation your office remains silent. In addition, your staff classifies forced housing as too divisive. Your Justice Dept. continues to advocate forced housing.

It is not enough, Mr. President, to merely say you are "against" forced housing. You have met with proponents of forced housing such as NAACP, but yet have not met with NANS leaders. We request you to do so immediately.

Bob Kruse
5765 Bella Via Ave
Columbus, Ohio 43229

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Respectfully,

Patricia L. Pittsburgh

JOHN E. MCCOY
1125 PIEDMONT ROAD
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43224

September 18, 1981

The president
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

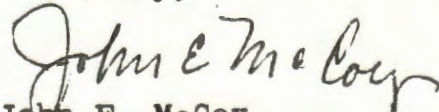
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As you know there is no evidence that forced busing has contributed anything to the quality of education or the learning skills of the students in the public school systems. Quite the contrary, escalating costs, violence, poor attendance, dropouts, teacher dissatisfaction and lack of parental support. In brief it has simply not accomplished any worthwhile purpose. It is time to change courses and get back to the basic educational processes.

It is not enough Mr. President to merely say you are against forced busing. You have met with proponents of forced busing such as NAACP but you have not yet met with NANS leaders. While I know that you have a number of difficult decisions at hand, please give some higher priority to this forced busing issue.

Sincerely,


John E. McCoy

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Respectfully,

Virginia J. Biggs
1776 Drew Ave Apt 200
Columbus, Ohio 43220

CC:

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October 5, 1981

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1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20501

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To date you have done nothing. It is not enough to merely say you are against forced busing, it is meaningless unless you take some action. You have met with proponents of forced busing such as the NAACP and the National Urban League, but you have not yet met with leaders from the National Association for Neighborhood Schools (NANS).

I urge you to meet with Nans leaders as soon as possible so we can end this social experiment that is not working and get back to educating our children before the public school system no longer exists in this great country of ours.

Thanking you for quick action, I am
Respectfully yours,

S. Sue Ferguson, Vice President
5406 Eric Place
Columbus, Ohio 43220

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR NEIGHBORHOOD SCHOOLS, INC. — COLUMBUS CHAPTER

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Mr. + Mrs. Douglas Russell
4100 Hickman Road
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4266 Maize Rd.
Columbus, Ohio 43224
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Bob & Doris Greene

September 15,
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Dear Mr. President;

When you campaigned you stated your opposition to forced busing, and the Republican platform contains a plank opposing forced racial balancing.

Under the Constitution, Congress can stop forced busing, but whenever an attempt is made to pass legislation, you remain strangely silent!

Your aides feel any social issues are too "divisive", and your Justice Dept refuses to act.

You have met with many of the proponents of busing (the NAACP, and others) but have not many with NANS leaders,

I request you do so immediately.
Respectfully, Vivian Ellis 43227
10808 J. James
Cali, Ohio

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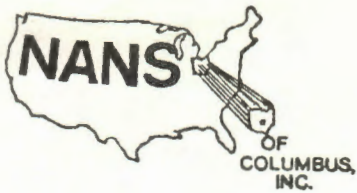
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cc: Mr. Edwin Neese III
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With highest regard,
Sue Bullard
1113 Slade Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43220



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I urge you to meet with NANS leaders as soon as possible and to take immediate action, based upon your often stated opposition to forced busing.

Respectfully,

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