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December 17, 1984

James A. Baker III, Chief of Staff
And Assistant to the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

RE: Treasury Department Tax
Reform Proposals

Dear Mr. Baker:

I urge you to immediately take a strong position against the tax reform proposals recently issued by the U.S. Department of Treasury. The uncertainty of future legislation is causing havoc in the investment community. This uncertainty is likely to result in an acceleration of the recessionary pressures already building in the present economic climate.

I believe that if enacted, certain provisions contained in the Treasury proposal could create a disincentive for capital formation, thus greatly damaging the economy of the United States. This in turn will cripple the construction and development industries resulting in the loss of millions of jobs, and ultimately creating a severe housing shortage and higher rents for millions of tenants across the United States. The proposal is economically damaging and ineffectual and conflicts with the underlying philosophy of the Reagan administration and re-election. I, therefore, urge you, in the strongest terms to publicly oppose the recent Treasury proposal.

This proposal may appear to somewhat lower the Federal tax for low to moderate income households. However, it completely ignores the intent embodied in the existing tax code to help provide decent and affordable housing for low to moderate income households. In today's marketplace, fully 35 to 40% of the total rental housing capital investment is equity which is compensated solely through tax deferral and conversion with no current yield. Current rent will only support a market competitive cash yield for 60 to 65% of the construction cost (typical mortgage financing).

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Mr. Baker

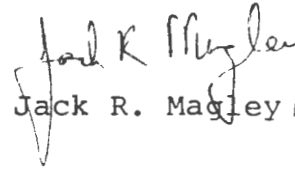
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If the pass through tax benefits are eliminated under the Treasury proposal, new rental construction will stop and rents on existing rental housing will quickly adjust to a 50% increase, thereby costing the average American renter about \$2,000 per year. In essence, the Treasury proposal is a government mandated rent increase.

Very truly yours,

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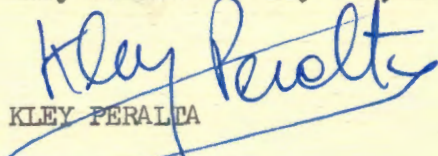
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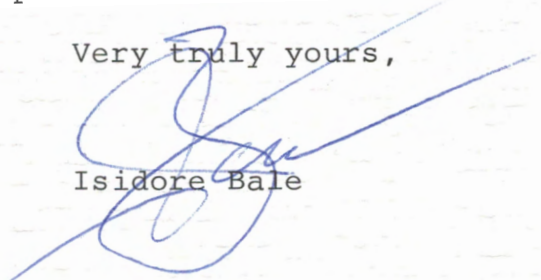
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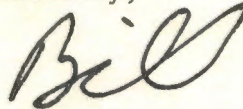
Dear Jim:

Just a quick note, now that I am back in Princeton, to thank you again for the excellent opportunity to talk. You were characteristically open, gracious, and thoughtful. We have already started work on the questions concerning student aid and indirect costs that we discussed near the end of our meeting, and Derek and I will be back in touch with you as soon as possible. We want very much to be helpful, and I hope that you will not hesitate to let us know if there are other things that we can do.

Meanwhile, my thanks again for everything.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Bill", written in a cursive, flowing style.

William G. Bowen

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December 14, 1984

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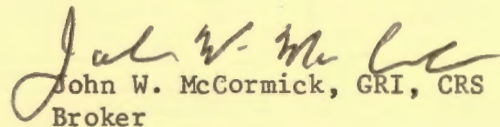
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