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Joe Alagna
John Robertson
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
Lewis Bezick

MEMO

TO: All Department Heads and Municipal Employees
FROM: Mayor John Robertson
RE: Mandatory Drug Testing
DATE: August 5, 1986

At the urging of President Ronald Reagan Washington Township will join the national crusade against drugs. The President in a news conference on August 4, 1986, called on every level of government, on schools and universities, on federal contractors, on private industry and labor to join the effort to make drug use unacceptable behavior. The President further stated that he hoped the example set by the federal government would carry over to state and local governments and the private sector.

It is my true belief that we have an obligation to pitch in and do our fair share. If we work together we can begin to win the war against drugs. I'm asking each and every employee to stand on the front lines with me. The battle plan is as follows:

- Should establish intent -*
1. A primary goal of our program will be to provide a drug free work place for all Americans. Mandatory drug testing for all Municipal employees will begin immediately.
 2. Improve coordination of community based drug treatment and rehabilitation programs, along with education and prevention methods.
 3. Expand public awareness of the growing threat of drug abuse and reemphasizing the need for strict and unwavering enforcement of local and state drug laws.

As the President has said "We will offer a helping hand: but we will also pressure the user at school and in the work place to straighten up, to get clean." I believe that we owe this not only to ourselves but to others for whom we must be responsible.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 16, 1986

Dear Mr. Alaqua:

Enclosed are copies of the announcements released yesterday. The description of the Executive Order and the approach to identifying drug users should be of interest.

I have contacted the Department of Justice, and they will be in touch with you very shortly.

I look forward to meeting you and Mayor Robertson.

Sincerely,



Richard Williams
Senior Staff Member
Office of Policy Development

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20 AUG 1986

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: 8-18-86

TO: CARLTON TURNER

FROM: JEAN APPLEBY JACKSON
Deputy Director
Presidential Appointments
and Scheduling

Can your office assist this man?

Thank you.

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August 7, 1986

Frederick J. Ryan, Jr.
Director of the Office of Scheduling
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

RE: Appointment with the President to discuss mandatory drug testing of municipal employees

Dear Mr. Ryan:

Please be advised that I am the Municipal Attorney of the Township of Washington in Gloucester County, New Jersey.

On August 5, 1986 John W. Robertson, Mayor of the Township of Washington, instituted a program of mandatory drug testing for all municipal employees in the township. I have enclosed herewith a copy of the Mayor's memorandum to municipal employees. This program is a direct result of the President's recent press conference announcing his program for the prevention of drug abuse. The Mayor's announcement met immediate resistance from the labor organizations representing both the public works employees and the police department.

The Mayor respectfully requests an appointment with the President to inform him of Washington Township's efforts in curtailing drug abuse and to obtain guidance in dealing with the labor problems related to mandatory drug testing. Hopefully, the Washington Township program would serve as a model to followed by municipalities throughout

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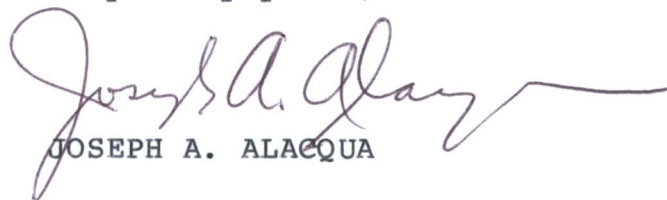
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the country.

A prompt response to this request would be appreciated since this is an emergent matter in this township and an issue currently being debated nationwide.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Joseph A. Alacqua", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

JOSEPH A. ALACQUA

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enclosure

cc: The Honorable John W. Robertson,
Mayor of the Township of Washington