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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mrs. Mocsny:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. Noreen Moscnny  
707 Park Avenue  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45246

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Turner:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Turner  
8916 Stamps Road  
Downey, California 90240

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Cleveland  
57 Butman Street  
Beverly, Massachusetts 01915

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mrs. Custy:

Thank you for your card supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. Barbara Custy  
138 W. Franklin Street  
Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bolton:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bolton  
4825 E. 18th  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46218

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mrs. Rockenstein:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. Mary S. Rockenstein  
11 Oak Mannor Drive  
Barrington, Rhode Island 02806



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mr. Montaperto:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Mariano E. Montaperto  
P.O. Box 654, Stuyvesant Station  
Manhattan, New York 10009

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mrs. Parrott:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. Miriam Parrott  
P.O. Box 1607  
Belgrade, Montana 59714

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Mr. Pauly:

Thank you for your message supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Charles Pauly  
4938 Parker Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63139

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Reverend Egan:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

The Most Reverend Edward M. Egan  
Vicar for Education,  
Archdiocese of New York  
1011 First Avenue  
New York, New York 10022-4134

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 25, 1987

Dear Ms. Brand:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Ms. Tari A. Brand  
9383 Shrike Avenue  
Fountain Valley, California 92708

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 26, 1987

Dear Mr. Fowler:

① Thank you for your message supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion. ✓

② As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Jack Fowler  
The Ad Hoc Committee in  
Defense of Life  
1187 National Press Building  
Washington, DC 20045

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 26, 1987

Dear Mrs. Bennett:

Thank you for your letter concerning the Reagan Administration's position on family planning. I am very sorry that you have gotten the impression that this Administration does not care about poor women, especially teenagers, who have unwanted pregnancies. We do care, and we are particularly concerned that illegitimacy has continued to rise over the past twenty years even though contraception has become widespread and abortion has been legalized.

An executive report prepared last year for Governor Deukmejian showed that in Humboldt County, California, where government family planning expenditures per person have been much higher than in the nation, adolescent pregnancy has increased ten times as much as in the nation, and there has been a greater than 1000% increase in teenage abortions during the past decade. This report, and others like it, indicate that something is missing from typical programs designed to reduce unwanted pregnancies.

The Reagan Administration favors family planning, but we believe that programs must be careful not to aggravate the problems they seek to correct. In view of the astronomical climb in social problems, we urge that government and school policy makers reevaluate their programs on the basis of effectiveness and reinstate the meaningful guidance that young people seek from figures of authority. The Administration opposes spending federal funds for abortions and for programs that use abortion as a family planning method.

Mrs. Bennett

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I hope this information clarifies this Administration's position on family planning. Your interest in this matter is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. Beatrice R. Bennett  
918 10th Avenue, Apt. #4  
Huntington, West Virginia 25701



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 26, 1987

Dear Mr. Wolfington:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. James M. Wolfington  
607 Washington Street  
Cumberland, Maryland 12502

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 26, 1987

Dear Miss Lane:

Thank you for your letter sharing with me your views on abortion which seem to stem from your deep concerns about child neglect and abuse. I assure you that I share those concerns.

Over the past two decades, we have witnessed an astronomical rise in teenage pregnancies, suicides, abortions, and an increase in child abuse. Yet, during that same time, contraception has become widespread, sex education has become a routine part of the school curriculum, abortion has been legalized, and expenditures for welfare programs are at an all time high. If abortion would prevent child abuse, there should be no child abuse at all since 4,000 abortions are performed every day in the United States. As President Reagan has pointed out, that is one every 22 seconds.

That present programs are failing to reduce the incidence of these social problems is evident. It is time for policy makers to reevaluate their programs on the basis of effectiveness and to reinstate the meaningful guidance that young people seek from figures of authority. Boys really want more from adult leaders than a condom and here-use-this advice, and girls really want more from their leaders than directions to an abortion clinic. That route has proven to be easy, expensive, insensitive, and ineffective. \*Teaching moral standards takes time and effort, but offering morality as an option also extends to young people a chance at high self-esteem. For those who do have unwanted pregnancies, adoption should be an option; unfortunately, current adoption procedures are expensive and inadequate. President Reagan has named a new task force to seek ways to remove barriers to adoption.

I hope this letter has helped you understand this Administration's concerns related to unwanted children.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Miss Amelia M. Lane  
2627 Caper Court  
Port St. Lucie, Florida 33452

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 26, 1987

Dear Mr. Main:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter on the subject of abortion. The Reagan Administration agrees with you that abortion should not be used as a method of family planning.

The Reagan Administration favors family planning, but we believe that programs must be careful not to aggravate the problems they seek to correct. In view of the astronomical climb in social problems, we urge that government and school policy makers reevaluate their programs on the basis of effectiveness and reinstate the meaningful guidance that young people seek from figures of authority. The Administration opposes spending federal funds for abortions and for programs that use abortion as a family planning method.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Robert L. Main  
5100 Woodhaven Court  
Grizzly Flats, California 95636

*Draft for Baker's sig.*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

*Aug. 27, 1987*

Dear Mr. Weiner:

Thank you for your letter protesting the dismissal of Jo Ann Gasper from her position as Deputy Assistant Secretary at the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). I share your disappointment that she and Secretary Bowen failed to achieve a meeting of the minds. However, let me assure you that their incompatibility in no way changes the President's views on the abortion issue.

President Reagan remains committed to a pro-life agenda, and Secretary Bowen is supporting the Administration's legislative proposal to clarify and strengthen our position on the use of Title X funds. In addition, we are reviewing other non-legislative steps we can take. I am confident that the person replacing Mrs. Gasper at DHHS will adhere firmly to President Reagan's view that family, faith, and freedom are the cornerstones of American life. As you may already know, Mrs. Gasper has been hired by Secretary William J. Bennett to work on family-related issues at the Department of Education.

Thank you again for sharing with me your concerns in this matter.

Sincerely,

Howard H. Baker, Jr.  
Chief of Staff to the President

Mr. Robert Weiner  
Founder and President  
Maranatha Campus Ministries  
Post Office Box 1799  
Gainesville, Florida 32602



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 31, 1987

Dear Mrs. Beilby:

Thank you for your letter and card sharing with me your views on education issues.

I agree with many of the points you made in your letter. On the subject of the dismissal of Jo Ann Gasper from her position as Deputy Assistant Secretary at the Department of Health and Human Services, let me say that I share your disappointment that she and Secretary Bowen failed to achieve a meeting of the minds. However, let me assure you that their incompatibility in no way changes the President's views on the abortion issue.

President Reagan remains committed to a pro-life agenda, and Secretary Bowen is supporting the Administration's legislative proposal to clarify and strengthen our position on the use of Title X funds. In addition, we are reviewing other non-legislative steps we can take. I am confident that the person replacing Mrs. Gasper at DHHS will adhere firmly to President Reagan's view that family, faith, and freedom are the cornerstones of American life. As you may already know, Mrs. Gasper has been hired by Secretary William J. Bennett to work on family-related issues at the Department of Education.

I also want to point out to you that the National Education Association (NEA) is a teachers' union and not affiliated with the Federal Government in any way.

Finally, let me assure you that Secretary of Education William J. Bennett and I have been very vocal on the subject of better textbooks. I am enclosing a copy of a speech I gave to the Association of Textbook Publishers that states some of our specific concerns about textbooks and how they can be improved.

Mrs. Beilby

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I hope this letter clarifies my position on the issues you raised. Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. Violet Beilby  
400 NW 97th Street  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73114

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 31, 1987

Dear Ms. Kaas:

Thank you for your message supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion. Teaching moral standards takes time and effort, but offering morality as an option also extends to young people a chance at high self-esteem. For those who do have unwanted pregnancies, adoption should be an option; unfortunately, current adoption procedures are expensive and inadequate. President Reagan has named a new task force to seek ways to remove barriers to adoption.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Ms. Shirley Kaas  
109 Imperial  
Thomasville, Georgia 31792



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 31, 1987

Dear Dr. Kameny:

Thank you for your letter concerning the use of federal funds for abortion. The interest which prompted you to write is appreciated and your comments have been noted.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Franklin E. Kameny, Ph.D.  
5020 Cathedral Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20016

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 31, 1987

Dear Ms. McGettigan:

Thank you for your letter concerning the use of federal funds for abortion. The interest which prompted you to write is appreciated and your comments have been noted.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Ms. Joan McGettigan  
134 E. Foster Avenue, #207  
State College, Pennsylvania 16801

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1987

Dear Ms. Schonemann:

Thank you for your letter concerning the use of federal funds for abortion. The interest which prompted you to write is appreciated and your comments have been noted. However, the position of the Reagan Administration on this issue is firm.

Many of the most compelling arguments against abortion are as old as our civilization. Indeed, a reverence for all human life is one of the distinguishing marks of true civilization. In our own time, medical science has added to our knowledge of the processes of life that take place before birth, deepening our understanding of what abortion means to the mother and the unborn child. As an alternative, the Administration is pursuing policies that encourage and support adoption.

Finally, it is important that government at all levels pursue pro-family policies because we have learned after two decades of social experimentation in the realm of family matters that strong families are the foundation of society. By strengthening families and by restoring moral values to our education system, we may well prevent future miseries, among them, the high rate of abortion. There are some injuries that government cannot heal. We need to help people avoid those injuries, rather than thinking that merely picking up the medical tab can erase the wounds.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Ms. Roberta Schonemann  
4520 Erwin Road  
West Lafayette, Indiana 47906

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1987

Dear Bill:

Thank you for sending the Child Protection Report. I don't see every article that mentions my name, and have learned that reporters are very independent about words or phrases they want to highlight.

Thanks also for the offer to help with the Administration's task force on adoption. As a member of that committee, I know I'll need to talk with you from time to time.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Bill Pierce  
National Committee for Adoption  
2025 M Street, NW, Suite 512  
Washington, DC 20036

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Owen:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Chris Fast Owen  
2001 Dorset Drive  
Wheaton, Illinois 60187

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1987

Dear Rolf:

Thank you for sending me the September issue of FOCUS ON THE FAMILY. I was delighted with the interview and look forward to continuing to work with you.

I'm enclosing two items that I know are of interest to you: a copy of the Executive Order on the Family and the statement by the Assistant to the President Marlin Fitzwater announcing the formation of an interagency task force on adoption of which I am a member.

Please call me at any time if you wish to get further information on these activities.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Rolf Zettersten  
FOCUS ON THE FAMILY  
50 E. Foothill Boulevard  
Arcadia, Florida 91006

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Lantzner:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Charles L. Lantzner  
Canaan Land Properties  
1803 West March Lane, Suite M  
Stockton, California 95207

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. McCoy:

Thank you for your letter supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

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Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Wallace F. McCoy  
P. O. Box 22991  
Nashville, Tennessee 37202



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 14, 1987

Dear Holly:

Thank you for sending me the American Bar Association's publication on "Adoption of Children with Special Needs: Issues in Law and Policy." It contains a wealth of information and will be a tremendous help to me. I deeply appreciate knowing that I can call on you at any time if I need help from the ABA on the President's Task Force on Adoption.

I also want to commend you for your continued interest in education. The brochure on the symposium on Partnerships in Education looks like the event will be packed with information and very inspirational.

Many thanks again for your encouraging comments.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Holly Stewart McMahon  
American Bar Association  
Resource Development Office  
1800 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20036

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 15, 1987

Dear Mrs. Seeley:

Thank you for your letter concerning the use of federal funds for abortion. The interest which prompted you to write is appreciated and your comments have been noted.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. A. Mae Seeley  
66 Harvard Avenue  
Staten Island, New York 10301

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

September 22, 1987

Dear Mrs. Thurber:

Thank you for your message supporting my comments against federal funds for abortion.

As you know, a large part of the President's agenda relates to rebuilding, protecting and strengthening the fabric of the family. The successes we achieve at the federal level depend largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, we deeply appreciate the efforts of individuals like yourself who are working in local communities to preserve the cornerstones of American life: family, faith, and freedom.

Thank you again for writing, and I hope to see you in Richmond.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. Jane Thurber  
2243 Rivermont Avenue  
Lynchburg, Virginia 24503

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1987

Dear Ms. Cutler:

Thank you for your letter concerning the use of federal funds for abortion. The interest which prompted you to write is appreciated and your comments have been noted.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Ms. Sarah B. Cutler  
The Haven, Inc.  
P.O. Box 273863  
Boca Raton, Florida 33427

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 22, 1987

Dear Ms. Fenton:

Thank you for sending me materials on birth-parenting and related issues of concern to birthparents. They contain a wealth of information and will be of tremendous help and assistance to the President's Task Force on Adoption.

Many thanks again for providing pertinent information to the Task Force.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Ms. Janet Fenton  
Concerned United Birth-  
parents, Inc.  
2000 Walker Street  
Des Moines, Iowa 50317

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 18, 1987

Dear Mr. Monie:

Thank you for your letter concerning the use of federal funds for abortion. The interest which prompted you to write is appreciated, and your comments have been noted.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Peter Monie  
1494 Plymouth Avenue  
San Francisco, California 94112

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 16, 1987

Dear Lee:

Thank you for your letter requesting consideration for nomination to the President's Task Force on Adoption, whose purpose is to seek ways for the Administration to pursue policies within the Federal Government that encourage and support adoption. I regret to inform you that the task force is made up of government members only.

Having served as chairman of the President's Working Group on the Family and a strong supporter of pro-life issues, Gary Bauer, Assistant to the President for Policy Development, is pleased to be a member of the Task Force on Adoption. However, we realize that all efforts at this level would be futile without tremendous support at state and local levels.

We are grateful to Joyce Van Schaack for bringing your story to our attention. Your book, which you enclosed with your letter, is a compelling testimony and one that I am sure is helpful to others who have suffered similar circumstances.

Thank you for your interest in serving the President. We are keeping your letter in a current file in case something comes up where participation from the private sector is permitted.

With my very best wishes,

Sincerely,

Beverly Kroeger  
Special Assistant

Mrs. Lee Ezell  
P.O. Box 2983  
Laguna Hills, California 92654



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REFLECTIONS  
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WITH LEE EZELL

— A FIVE MINUTE INSPIRATIONAL RADIO PROGRAM —

*Beverly - it  
only has government  
members*

September 25, 1987

Gary Bauer, Assistant to the President  
c/o Beverly Kroeger  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Beverly;

This letter is a follow-up to your telecon with my husband's assistant (Dayva) in the I.N.S. office, Western Region. I am enclosing his business card.

This is a formal request for consideration for a nomination to the President's Adoption Alternative Task Force.

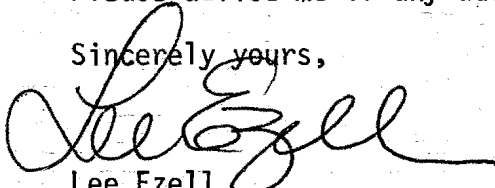
Enclosed is my book, "The Missing Piece," about my 24 year old daughter, born as a result of my being raped when I was young, who recently traced and found me. In addition to this lovely daughter whom I adopted out at birth (the only child I would ever give birth to), I am myself an adoptive mother, having adopted two daughters of my own!

I travel nationally and speak on the subjects involved with Adoption and its surrounding issues. These speaking tours have included numerous media (both TV and radio) interviews, in addition to my own daily inspirational radio broadcast, "Reflections."

I feel I am qualified and deeply concerned about the issues involved in the concerns of the President's Task Force on Adoption, and would appreciate having my name thrown in the hat for consideration.

I am enclosing some information on my speaking, and a current Itinerary. Please advise me if any additional information would be helpful.

Sincerely yours,

  
Lee Ezell  
Author/Speaker

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1987

Dear Mr. Cox:

Thank you for your letter urging that President Reagan speak unequivocally against abortion. The points that you make are well taken, and I assure you that this Administration agrees with you. President Reagan has publicly defended the pro-life position at every opportunity and continues to do so. I am enclosing copies of recent documents that attest to our efforts here in Washington on behalf of traditional family values. As chairman of the White House Working Group on the Family and member of the White House Task Force on Adoption, I feel privileged to serve the nation in this way and am grateful for your support for our endeavors.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Jerry Cox  
9211 Stuart Lane  
Clinton, Maryland 20735

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 16, 1987

Dear Mr. Lamb:

It has been brought to my attention that the Annie E. Casey Foundation of United Parcel Service is offering grants to cities for the purpose of developing programs to combat the school dropout problem, unwanted teen pregnancies, and unemployment among teenagers. Since most problems among teenagers can be traced to problems in the home, I thought you might be interested in a copy of the report to the President by the White House Working Group on the Family. One is enclosed for your use.

I applaud your generous efforts to help "at-risk" teenagers. If my office can be of assistance to you in any way, please let me know. I will be happy to send additional copies of the Family Report and other related materials if you think they would be helpful.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. George Lamb, Jr.  
Post Office Box 146  
Port Hayward, Virginia 23138

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 22, 1987

Dear Mr. Levi:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter concerning obstacles that prevent adoptive parents from accepting children into their homes. The memorandum that you enclosed on "Impediments to Adoption by Qualified Lesbians and Gay Men" will be studied and given careful consideration.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. Jeffrey Levi  
National Gay and Lesbian  
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1517 U Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20009

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 13, 1987

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Armfield:

Thank you for taking the time to write to me about the trying time you have had in adopting a child. Your story certainly underscores the need for the President's adoption initiative. I am sharing your experience with members of the Task Force on Adoption, and we will be addressing the difficulties that you encountered.

Thank you again for being willing to pass along the unpleasant and unnecessary painful process you endured. Hopefully, your story will help us make adoption easier for others.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Armfield  
5560 E. Briarwood Circle  
Littleton, Colorado 80122

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 25, 1987

Dear Mrs. Smith:

Thank you for your letter urging that the Reagan Administration take a stand against abortion. Let me assure you that President Reagan has always stood firmly against abortion. I share that same commitment and feel privileged to serve on the President's Task Force on Adoption.

That 1.8 million mothers abort their unborn children each year while tens of thousands of childless families wait for children to adopt is one of the great tragedies of American life. One of my priorities as Assistant to the President for Policy Development is to seek ways to restructure federal policies to encourage and support adoption as an alternative for a pregnant young woman who may be uncertain about becoming a parent. The success that we achieve at the federal level depends largely on the momentum of public support that we can sustain for this Administration's policies. For this reason, your support for our efforts to strengthen American families is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Mrs. Barbara Smith  
10113 White Avenue  
Clinton, Maryland 20735

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 25, 1987

Dear Debra and Larry Squires:

Thank you for your letter urging that the Reagan Administration take a stand against abortion. Let me assure you that President Reagan has always stood firmly against abortion. I share that same commitment and feel privileged to serve on the President's Task Force on Adoption.

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Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

Debra and Larry Squires  
10000 Paros Drive  
Clinton, Maryland 20735

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 25, 1988

Dear Jack:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to the President expressing gratitude for all that he has done to protect the unborn. I deeply appreciated the kind paragraph you included on my behalf.

The march last week was very impressive. I commend you for your role in making that event a spectacular success.

Many thanks again for your encouraging comments.

Sincerely,

Gary L. Bauer  
Assistant to the President  
for Policy Development

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