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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 21, 1982

Dear Mr. Trimble:

Thanks very much for your letter, and thanks even more for what you are doing. The response from your suppliers certainly proves your contention about the "American Businessman".

I've told Bill Verity, who is chairing our national effort on voluntarism, about what you've done. We're going to see if we can spread the word.

Again, my thanks and very best wishes.

Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature]

Mr. Harry B. Trimble
General Metal Products Company
3883 Delor Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63116

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GENERAL METAL PRODUCTS CO.

HARRY B. TRIMBLE
PRESIDENT

June 25, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

In response to your June 1, 1982 letter referring to the attached newspaper article.

You will be pleased to hear of a segment of the Free Enterprise System in action - - -

The response to our program from the business community and customers was anticipated, good. However, not anticipated, that our suppliers have responded in kind. Fourteen of them responding in writing that they too would hold their prices to our company as well. A true indication of the pent up desire of the manufacturing community to break the insidious cycling of inflation. An example that producer prices can be held.

Have faith - - it was the American Businessman with his grass roots ingenuity that assisted greatly in building this precious country. Unincumbered he again can be a motivating factor at this critical moment in time.

Your letter was warm and rewarding.

Thank you,

Harry Trimble

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

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 21, 1982

Dear Mr. Ruble:

I'm sure you must realize how sorry I am to learn of what the recession is doing to your business and to you. I wish I could promise some miracle cure for our economic problems, but we both know that is impossible. Indeed, our problems have been brought on by more than two decades of government intervention in the economy featuring quick fixes and artificial stimulation of the market. The result has been the longest, sustained period of inflation in history -- 8 recessions since World War II, and each one worse than the one before.

In your letter you indicated you hold me to blame for this one. I don't suppose you'll be surprised if I defend myself against that charge. When I took office, we had interest rates of 21½%, inflation had been at double digit rates for two years in a row, and unemployment had been increasing since 1979. I campaigned in areas where it had reached 20%. The overall average was almost 8%. Yes, it is 9½% now, but interest rates are 16% and inflation has been more than cut in half.

I realize interest rates are still too high, particularly with regard to the housing industry. They are higher than can be justified by the reduced inflation. Today the Federal Reserve Board dropped the discount rate half a point and hinted at another drop soon.

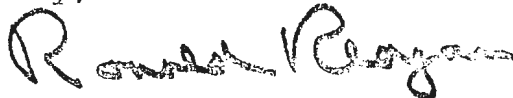
I believe we are beginning a recovery, and this time one based on sensible economics. It will be slow for a time, and employment will be the last to recover but the recovery won't be a temporary pause between recessions.

We have more than cut the rate of Federal spending growth in half and we've offset the gigantic (biggest in history) tax increase of the previous administration with our incentive type tax cut. We could have done better, but to get what we have we had to compromise with Democratic leadership in the House which resisted our spending cuts and our tax reductions.

In short, I think we are on the right course to cure a mess that was not of our making.

I hope you'll hang on and that you'll make it through, and I wish you the very best.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Ronald Reagan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ronald" and last name "Reagan" clearly distinguishable.

Mr. David F. Ruble
Ozark Oak Flooring Company
1383 Merchandise Mart
Chicago, Illinois 60654



Ozark Oak Flooring Company

1383 Merchandise Mart

Chicago, Illinois 60654 Phone (312) 527-1006

June 28. 1982

*C. D. [unclear]
(AOK-191)*

Mr. Ronald Reagan, President
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear President Reagan:

I have been in business for approximately 12 years manufacturing wood products for the new home construction market. During the first 10 years I was able to work hard and build up a comfortable net worth. During the past 2 years I have seen almost 50% of this net worth drift away thru continued losses. If the present trend continues for another 18 months I will probably be bankrupt.

I have gone from a very enthusiastic active supporter of yours, to a state of passive acceptance, to an attitude now of total dissatisfaction.

It is extremely hard for a man of my age, 51, who has voted Republican all of his life, has worked hard all of his life, and is now seeing his net worth get away from him due to conditions over which he has no controll. My sales are off approximately 70%, my number of employees down from 105 to 34 and my hopes for the future entirely smashed. I am in the process of trying to sell my home in order to pay some of my creditors.

Can we expect any changes within the next few months?

Sincerely,

OZARK OAK FLOORING COMPANY

David F. Ruble
David F. Ruble, President

DFR:ep

To Mr. Harry B. Trimble - ~~General~~ General Metal Products Co.
3883 Delor St. St. Louis Mo. 63116

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I hope you'll hang on & that you'll make it through & I wish you the very best.

Smiley
RR

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 21, 1982

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Stratman:

I wish I could tell you there is some instant answer to your problem, but there are no "quick fixes" for what ails our economy. Indeed, "quick fixes" over the last 40 years have led to the present mess -- a trillion dollar debt, the high interest rates which are torturing you, and the unemployment.

While interest rates have come down from the 21½% high of 1980, they haven't come down enough. We are encouraged by the recent drop in the discount rate by the Federal Reserve and have reason to believe it will slip another notch in the next couple of weeks. This will, of course, have an effect on interest rates. I am disappointed that interest rates haven't reflected the fact that we've cut the inflation rate more than in half. So far the financial markets seem to be fearful that we'll revert to higher government spending, thus bringing back inflation, but we have no intention of doing that.

I hope and pray you can hang on because there is every sign the recession has bottomed out and, while recovery won't be a sudden boom, we can at least look forward to an improvement in the months ahead.

With very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Stratman
Route 1, Box 31
Gunnison, Colorado 81230

Mr. & Mrs. Mac Stratman - Rt. 1 Box 31
Gunnison Col. 81230

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Sincerely R.R.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 23, 1982

Dear Brute:

As usual, your column summed it up completely. Your suggestions about the demonstrators parading in front of the Soviet Embassies is a 10 strike. I've challenged that they should be demonstrating in front of the Kremlin which, of course, they can't do, but hadn't thought about the embassies.

As to the other suggestion, let me put that into the hopper. I don't know the situation with regard to vacancies but will take a look.

Best regards,

Ran

Lt. General V. H. Krulak
3665 Carleton Street
San Diego, California 92106

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To: Dr. Bernard V. H. Krulak 3665 Carlton
San Diego Calif 92106

Dear Bruce

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Best Regards
Ron

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 23, 1982

Dear General Hamlet:

It's been a long time since we corresponded when you were in command of the 3rd Brigade of the 1st Cavalry Division in Vietnam. I've just learned of your whereabouts and that you had retired.

I couldn't resist dropping you a line to tell you I still remember your challenge to the CBS correspondent and the morale boost we at home got as a result. I remember, too, your reply to my letter and the book on the 3rd Brigade you kindly sent me (which I still have).

I hope you are enjoying your retirement, you certainly have earned and deserve that as well as the thanks of your fellow citizens for exemplary service to our country.

My very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

Major General James F. Hamlet
20 Glenwood Avenue
Trenton, New Jersey 08619

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July 21, 1982

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

TO: BUD MCFARLANE

FROM: BOB HELM

Regarding the President's comment yesterday about the Army general in Vietnam who had invited reporters to go to the combat zone to talk to his men, I asked an Army friend to check and he came up with the following:

BG James F. Hamlet, a black Army officer, commanded the 3rd Brigade of the 1st Cavalry Division in Vietnam in the 1970-1971 time period. During that time, he invited Phil Jones of CBS to come to the front and film his men in action and talk to them.

General Hamlet, now a retired MG living in Trenton, N.J., was contacted and he remembers receiving a letter from then Governor Reagan complimenting him on the idea and the film.

MG Hamlet currently resides at:

20 Glenwood Avenue
Trenton, N. J. 08619

Phone: (609) 695-5960

Given what the President related, I believe that this is the correct individual.



To Major General James F. Hamlet - With respect,
Appreciation & Best Regards
Ronald Reagan

James F. Hamlet 20 Glenwood Ave.
Trenton N.J. 08619

Dear General Hamlet

~~I wrote you I've been asking about you~~

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My Very Best Wishes

Sincerely R R

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July 23, 1982

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Dear Mrs. Ashner:

This is in response to your letter to President Reagan about the Social Security program. Although he would like to respond personally to each letter he receives, I am sure you can understand that his heavy workload makes this impossible. I regret that the response to your original letter to the President was inadequate.

I can certainly understand the dismay of people who learn, after a loved one has died, of the recent changes in the Social Security program affecting benefits for survivors. I have contacted officials in the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) concerning these changes and I would like to provide you with a brief explanation of why the changes were made.

The Social Security program first provided benefits for students in 1965. At that time, few student aid programs were in existence. Since then, however, other public and private programs have been created or substantially expanded to provide financial assistance for students. These programs more directly relate student assistance to family income and educational costs.

The existence of these forms of assistance led to questions about the growth and lack of coordination of programs for students, and particularly whether the Social Security program was an appropriate program to provide financial help with post-secondary education. The result of this questioning has been to phase out students' benefits and to direct students to more appropriate forms of financial help for education.

I certainly hope that the change in Social Security benefits for students will not prevent your daughter from getting a

college education. I urge her to speak with the guidance counselors at her school. They should be able to tell her of sources of financial assistance which may be available to her.

With the President's best wishes,

Sincerely,

Anne Higgins
Special Assistant to the President
and Director of Correspondence

Mrs. Sonja V. Ashner
5444 Aldrich South
Minneapolis, MN 55419

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OF - Response

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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fact I heard there
were being blocked out in
Minnesota

My Fellow American

TH
I thank you for your message. I will be
addressing these issues in a series of Saturday
radio broadcasts. I hope you will try to
listen to them.

Pres. Reagan

Sincerely
Ronald Reagan

I have not heard any response as
to why my 17 year old daughter will not
receive any Social Security money for college.

I am 55 yrs old and will not receive
Social Security either. I was happily
married for 35 years and stayed at home,
just as your wife does. Taking care of
my home, and two children 22 & 17 alone this
past year since my husband's sudden heart attack
has not been easy. In order to keep her grades
up I do not want her to be employed during
the school year, and if either of us were

employed it would be at a minimum
scale anyway.

I voted for you!

I have prayed for you!

Now, why have you cut the
funding for fatherless children who
certainly need help?

Sonja V. Ashner
5444 Aldrich So
Mpls. MN. 55419

P.S. Please add this to
your prayer list.

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Sharon R. Gardner and
Kevin Gardner
6837 Kansas Avenue
Hammond, Indiana 46323

August 15, 1982

President Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20050

*I phoned her
instead of writing - It's bump
in that time RR*

Dear President Reagan:

We believe our condition of shock, excitement and pride has settled down enough for us to answer your letter dated July 26, 1982.

Somehow Thank You does not seem to be enough for the personal check you had enclosed for Kevin in the amount of \$100.00, along with your letter. Only in America could the President, the man who holds the highest office in the United States, not only read a letter from just an average citizen, but answer it too, and in such a way that made us just glow with pride, but then to find the enclosed personal check. Only in America and only by you, our President who really cares about our country as a whole, and, individually too.

I could go on and on with the Thank You's, but what we would also like to say is, you have no idea what this has done for us. Naturally, we have shown our family and close friends your letter and as surprised as they are, they remember you, the man, Ronald Reagan, President of the United States and what it took from you to get where you are, your sincerity, and then they understand.

As of this date, your check hasn't been cashed yet. We were told by several banks that they were sure you did not mean for the check to be cashed. Kevin feels now that we think of it, there is more value in the check than \$100.00. For what price does one put on love and respect that inspired my letter to you and then the answer you sent us. The feelings from one to another are truly priceless. Kevin hopes his children and Grandchildren will be able to feel as we feel today when he shows it to them. But if this will confuse the balance of your checking account, please let us know, for we don't want to do that to you and we'll cash it immediately.

President Ronald Reagan
President of the United States

August 15, 1982
Page two

Again, a sincere Thank you for the check, and not only for the letter, but for the contents, for each word and paragraph makes us just glow with pride. There is just no way I can express our feelings today and forever, except to say that we are so proud to be Americans, and so glad that you are our President. You see, we like most all Americans, know we are in good hands.

From our family to you and yours, we send our love,


Sharon R. Gardner


Kevin Gardner

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mrs. Gardner:

Forgive me for being so late in answering your letter, but now and then things just pile up in the Oval office. Mrs. Gardner you were more than kind to write as you did. Your letter has reinforced my faith and overcome the effect of some editorials that evidently were written by journalists who don't know Americans like you and your son. You must be very proud of Kevin and with complete justification.

I know you didn't write with anything other in mind than expressing support for what I'm trying to do, and I hope you won't be offended by the enclosed. I worked my way through school many years ago and someone did a little something one day to help. Maybe I can show my appreciation by doing a little something for someone the same age as I was at the time. It isn't much, but please accept it as a thank you for lifting my morale. God bless you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mrs. Sharon R. Gardner
6837 Kansas Avenue
Hammond, Indiana 46323

Writes re. People helping each other out. Would like to reward her children for all they've done for kids & society.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Brown:

Thank you for your letter and for telling me about Deborah Anne. You have my deepest sympathy. I know words are of little help in the face of your loss and it isn't given to us to know the why of things, but you are right -- she is with God now, free of pain. God in his infinite wisdom must have a plan for us and I know your faith will sustain you along with the love you had for Deborah Anne.

God bless you both.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown
3206 Potter Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19134

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Dear President Reagan:

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AM I would like to thank you for
the meaning behind the letters you had
sent to the hospitals about withholding
treatment to babies with handicaps.

I recently lost my little girl
she had Down's Syndrome and a heart
condition called a complete AV canal.

She was born on March 16th, her
name is Deborah Anne Brown, our sweet-
heart; she lived six weeks she died on the
26th of April. She was a prayed for baby,
and when she was born it was hard not
having a healthy baby but we loved her
all the same. The Lord God blessed us
with having her though he took home so
soon. Me and her father were there when
she was born and when she died. She
died in my arms and it still hurts we
loved her very much and will miss her a lot.

I know that the parents who chose
to let their baby die are in grief. It is hard
to wait 9 months for a baby and the baby is
born he or she is very sick and sometimes
decisions made in grief can be made wrong.
I wish that Deborah's condition just needed
minor surgery but her condition called
for heart surgery open heart when she got
older. In her short life she had a lot
done to her, a heart cath, and a procedure
to slow down the blood pumping out of the
heart and into the lungs. (over)

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She died four days after surgery. I do not think that the hospital should be in charge of such things. But if parents do not want handicapped babies, then the doctors in charge of the cases should advise the parent about adoption and foster care agencies. I wanted Deborah Anne to live and I want every to have a chance to live.

- We and my husband are writing this in memory of our sweet little girl
Deborah Anne Brown

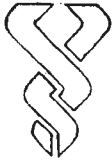
God Bless and guide you.

Diane and Bill Brown

P.S. To whom it may concern please bring this letter to President Reagan's personal attention as it means very much to us. Thank you.



CALIFORNIA PRO LIFE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION



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President Ronald Reagan
White House
Washington, D.C.

July 4, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

As our once great nation celebrates its independence and commitment to the constitutional principles of those self-evident truths- "that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness." - we call upon you to lead this nation back to justice for all.

The American holocaust must stop now. We implore you, with an overwhelming sense of urgency, to call upon Congress to restore the right to life, to bring the unborn human being and all other defenseless human beings into the full protection of the 14th Amendment. A nation which legalizes the monstrous slaughter of more than two million innocent human lives in one year is no longer the standard bearer for liberty and justice in the free world.

As a candidate for the presidency you promised the American electorate that you would work for a Human Life Amendment. We expect you to fulfill that commitment in 1982. Nothing, nothing could be more urgent than the restoration of our inalienable right to life. Without your leadership, without a Human Life Amendment physicians will continue in their present role of human extermination and will far surpass the medical killings during the Third Reich.

Sincerely,

Nancy T. Mullan, M.D.
Nancy T. Mullan, M.D., President

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I know that the parents who chose to let thier baby die are in grief. It is hard to wait 9 mths for a baby and the baby is born he or she is very sick and sometimes decisions made in grief can be made wrong. I wish that Deborah's condition just needed minor surgery but her condition called for heart surgery open heart when she got older. In her short life she had a lot done to her, a heart cath. and a banding to slow doen the blood pumping out of the heart and into the lungs.

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Deborah Anne Brown.

God bless and guide you.

Diane and Bill Brown.

P.S. To whom it may concern please bring this letter to
President Reagan's personal attention as it means very much
to us. Thank you.

Mr. and Mrs. William Borwn

3206 Potter St.

Philadelphia, PA 19134

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Dr. Mullan:

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Let me assure you, I have not retreated from my stated position at all. The problem at the moment is one of division over which of several measures to go forward with. I spoke recently to representatives of a number of "Right to Life" groups who visited me in the White House. They were divided as to which of the legislative proposals to back. I urged them to get together on one so we could get legislation underway. This, of course, means getting the different authors of bills to unite on a single course also.

Don't lose hope. There is movement going on and signs of progress. Again, thanks and best regards.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Dr. Nancy T. Mullan
Post Office Box 99
Palm Springs, California 92263

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mr. Moragne El:

I'm sorry to be so late in answering your letter of May 20. Sometimes it takes awhile before letters reach my desk. I will confess my defenses went up when I read your first few lines suggesting that I was responsible for high interest rates and a few other of our current problems. Since interest rates were 21½% when I became President, and are now down to 16%, I was ready to argue back.

But then you advocated giving my plans a chance to work and approved of my effort to restore prayer in our public schools, and I find myself grateful to you. Thanks for taking the time and trouble to write, and thanks for your generous words. I'm pleased to have your support and I'll keep trying.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Wade Moragne El, III
815 North Gilmore Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

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May 20, 1982 ✓

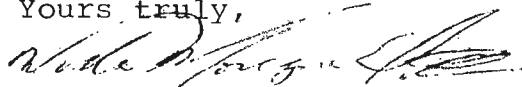
President Ronald Reagan
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Reagan:

First, I am a Black Democrat who is often referred to as a cross between Archie Bunker and George Jefferson. Repeatedly I have cursed at your policies which I believe have led to the higher interest rates, the loss of jobs, the destruction of families, the decline in the number of rehabilitated housing for the needy and what I perceive to be the abandonment of attention to the poor and needy. I have, since your election, felt that your plans and programs should at least be given a chance to work and not merely condemned because you are a Republican.

This letter is my expression of satisfaction for the courage you have shown in trying to implement your programs and more recently, your attempt to see that time is allowed for silent meditation (hopefully prayers) in the schools. I view myself as a hell-raiser of sorts but I believe that there is indeed a God. I have two sons in the public school system and can see no reason in the world why they can't take a moment to pray as part of the normal school day. Again, I commend your courage in trying to put prayer back in the schools. Talk show hosts, Congressmen, lawyers and even ministers will criticize your efforts, but I am confident that you have expressed the wishes of most of the American People.

Yours truly,



Wade Moragne El, III
815 N. Gilmore Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21217
Phone: (301) 383-4387 (Office)
(301) 462-1850 (Home)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mr. Gibson:

Thank you for your letter and the petitions and for what you are doing.

You are right, reducing government's excessive spending is the answer to our problems, not government spending programs which, over the last few decades, have brought us to a trillion dollar debt. Of course I'm sure you realize we're up against some (including the leadership in the House) who oppose what we're trying to do. They still believe in government intervention in business and more social spending.

I appreciate your help and support, and we'll hang tough.

Best regards,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Bill Gibson
Post Office Box 44
Paintsville, Kentucky 41240

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Big Sandy Board of Realtors



P. O. BOX 44
PAINTSVILLE, KENTUCKY 41240

June 2, 1982

Ronald Reagon,
President of the United States
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. President;

Enclosed are petitions asking you to take immediate action by both Budget Resolution and Reconciliation Act, to bring down the deficit below \$100 billion in 1983, and to a balanced budget by 1986.

In the past week I have spoken to and presented petitions to: The Pikeville Chamber of Commerce, the Paintsville Rotary Club, the Pikeville Rotary Club and the Pikeville Kiwanis Club. In each case these petitions were received and signed with great enthusiasm! I am also talking to everyone I come in contact with on a daily basis and almost everyone; liberals, conservatives and Democrats as well as Republicans agree that we must hold the deficit down now and work towards a balanced budget by 1986.

I am a Realtor and a Builder but I am surviving. How? By cutting spending and selling property that I personally own. I have also had to borrow money but the banks insist that it be paid back. In my view our government has the same options.

As a Realtor and Builder I am convinced that the reduction and elimination of the Budget deficit is a better answer to our problems than programs, including housing subsidies, which increase deficit spending and offer relief that can only be temporary.

Please, please, help all Americans by insisting that the deficit be reduced now!

Sincerely yours,

Bill Gibson,
Realtor and Builder

To Mr. & Mrs. William Brown 3206 Potter st.

Phil. Pa. 19134

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Brown

Thank you for your letter and for telling me about Deborah Anne, you have my deepest sympathy. I know words are of a little help in the face of your loss and it isn't given to us to know the why of things but you are right she is with God now, free of pain. God in his infinite wisdom must have a plan for us and I know your faith will sustain you along with the love you had for Deborah Anne.

God Bless you both.

RR

To Dr. Nancy T. Mullan P.O. Box 99 Palm Springs Calif.

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Best Regards
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mr. Condon:

Through one of our staff -- a friend of your son, I've received the photos, brochures and your fine column regarding our mutual ancestral community. Thank you very much.

You were very kind to do this and I'm most grateful. This whole matter is very exciting to me because until getting this job, I knew nothing about my father's family. He was orphaned at age six so the extent of my knowledge was that his grandparents came from Ireland.

Again, my thanks, and please give my regards to Mrs. Condon.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. George Condon
Cleveland Plain Dealer
Cleveland, Ohio

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 22, 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JOE HOLMES *Joe*

SUBJECT: Ballyporeen

*We can send the reply
to this to the newspaper
or maybe Joe H. Lawton
his home address.*

Recently the parents of a friend of mine visited Ballyporeen. They brought back some photos and memorabilia I thought you would like to see.

The folks who visited Ireland were Mr. and Mrs. George Condon, he is sports editor of the Cleveland Plain Dealer. He also wrote a piece on the trip which I enclosed.

By the way, the O'Farrell pub has changed its name to the Ronald Reagan Entertainment Center. George tells me all 1400 residents of the town are awaiting your arrival.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mr. Uranker:

Thanks very much for your letter, your good wishes and your prayers.

I agree with you, we and our country are very fortunate to have the service of George Shultz. We'll do our best to try and bring or help bring peace to the Middle East. And, you are right, it must be an even handed and just peace for Arabs and Israelis alike.

Again, thanks.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. J. Thomas Uranker
3124 South Park Road
Bethel Park, Pennsylvania 15102

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C. DONOVAN

June 28, 1982

The Honorable Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

Best Wishes and success with affairs of state with your new
Secretary of State, George Shultz.

Harry Truman had his Douglas MacArthur and you had your
Alexander Haig. Both were very honorable gentlemen, but it seems
once a military leader reaches Theater Command status, he forgets he
is still subject to civilian authority in the U.S.A.

I pray that what I have read about Secretary Shultz and his
even handed approach in the Middle East affairs are true. With the
hundreds of millions of dollars we have poured into Israel, of which
they never pay any back and always ask for more, I wonder if this
expensive investment is worth the return we receive in supposed
military security. Their standard of living is raised at the sacri-
fice of we Americans. I believe in their defense, however their
merciless aggression aggravates me.

The Palestinians deserve to have their own homeland also and
to live in peace.

I pray that you and Secretary Shultz will be able to succeed
in giving unbiased aid to both Arab and Jew alike in a joint quest for
lasting peace in the Middle East. Good Luck and God Bless.

With best personal regards

Respectfully,

Tom Uranker

J. Thomas Uranker, ASA

Bethel Park, Pa. 15102

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Vic:

Bill Verity has written me about the meeting you had early this month on New Federalism. He was high in his praise and is sending your format to your 49 fellow Governors for their guidance. He hopes they'll see the great value of what you've done and follow suit. I just wanted you to know that one ex-Governor (me) sees the value and says thank you and God bless you.

Warm regards,

RM

The Honorable Victor Atiyeh
State Capitol
Salem, Oregon 97310

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C. WILLIAM VERITY, JR.
MIDDLETOWN, OHIO 45042

July 12, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

I have kept any special reports to you to a minimum, which I'm sure is your wish. But, I attended a meeting on New Federalism in Portland, Oregon, last week that is so on target and so important to the states and communities that I'm compelled to tell you about it.

This meeting on New Federalism was chaired by Governor Vic Atiyeh of Oregon. He also acted as moderator for the day-long meeting. The conference agenda is attached. There were 650 people from government, business, unions, not for profit organizations, service organizations, and educators participating in the conference.

At the beginning of the session, the Governor announced the formation of a special 11-person commission to review the results of this conference -- and to report to him in sixty days with recommendations on how to best establish a Task Force on Private Sector Initiatives for the State of Oregon.

This is a brilliant tactic. It assures the success of such a Task Force. It assures including the people, programs and projects necessary to making things happen in Oregon. It will provide the best way to stimulate the formation of community partnerships throughout Oregon.

It is such a sound and basic approach that our Task Force is sending Governor Atiyeh's format to the other 49 Governors with the hope that some of them may want to use this same device in establishing their Private Sector Initiative Task Forces.

Vice President Bush's presence and remarks added substance and official Presidential recognition to a splendid program.

You may want to congratulate Governor Atiyeh on his innovative and effective approach.

Sincerely,



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President Ronald Reagan
The White House

To Mr. George London - Cleveland Plain Dealer

Dear Mrs. London

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Again my thanks & please give my regards to Mrs. London.

Smiley R.R.

To Mr. J. Thomas Cranke 3124 So. Park Rd.

Bethel Park Pa. 15102

Dear Mr. Cranke

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To Gov. Vic Atiyeh of Oregon (We'll have to get his address.)
Dear Vic

HON. VIC ATYEH
STATE HOUSE
SALEM, OREGON 97317

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Warm Regards
Ron

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mr. Brady:

Thank you very much for your kind letter and generous words. Believe me, my friend from across the border, you did much to brighten my day. It was kind of you to write. I'll do my best to try and deserve your judgment.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. Noel Patric Brady
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President Ronald Reagan,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.,
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. President,

I am sure that I speak for countless Canadians when I say that it is not only in the field of international affairs that our admiration for you is great.

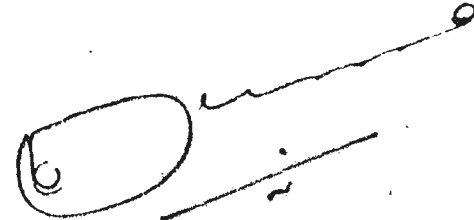
Thinking Canadians also realize what you have done within your own borders, in respect to the economy of the United States, and we wish that you had a little spare time to come up here and straighten us out!

We have seen you reduce oil prices while ours have soared. We have watched you "wrestle inflation to the ground" which our leaders had promised to do, but apparently require some wrestling lessons from you. We have noted the strength of the U.S. Dollar grow around the globe and have applauded the return of your country to the unquestioned leadership of the Western World.

Personally, I had followed your "track record" in California, and thus expected a great performance when you moved into the Oval Office. However, even I did not envisage so much accomplishment in so little time.

Across our long border, we admire and respect you as greatly as do many citizens of your own United States of America.

Sincerely yours,
PROPRIÉTÉS TERRABELLE PROPERTIES INC.

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Noel Patric Brady
President

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Professor Watson:

This is just a line to acknowledge your good letter of July 6. You were kind to write and I appreciate your generous words.

Meharry Medical College has too fine a record and has contributed too much to our society to be denied a helping hand when a little help is needed. I'm pleased everything worked out the way it did.

Again, thanks and best regards.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Professor Donald T. Watson
1005 - 18th Avenue North
Nashville, Tennessee 37208

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MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE

HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION AND PLANNING

July 6, 1982

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I want to express my thanks and appreciation for your timely and substantive response on behalf of Meharry Medical College. It is indeed gratifying to know that the White House recognizes and values the unique history and the important contributions that this institution has made in serving the health care needs of so many Americans, especially those with the greatest need and least access.

The positive recommendations you have made offer Meharry an excellent opportunity to move forward under the leadership of our new President, Dr. David Satcher. With a solid foundation such as you have proposed, the College will have a strong base from which to launch its plans for academic renewal and financial stability.

On behalf of all of us who have benefited from Meharry's existence, I want to acknowledge your leadership in helping to ensure that it will continue.

Sincerely,

Donald T. Watson, J.D., M.P.A.
Director/Associate Professor

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mrs. Gardner:

Forgive me for being so late in answering your letter, but now and then things just pile up in the Oval office. Mrs. Gardner you were more than kind to write as you did. Your letter has reinforced my faith and overcome the effect of some editorials that evidently were written by journalists who don't know Americans like you and your son. You must be very proud of Kevin and with complete justification.

I know you didn't write with anything other in mind than expressing support for what I'm trying to do, and I hope you won't be offended by the enclosed. I worked my way through school many years ago and someone did a little something one day to help. Maybe I can show my appreciation by doing a little something for someone the same age as I was at the time. It isn't much, but please accept it as a thank you for lifting my morale. God bless you.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mrs. Sharon R. Gardner
6837 Kansas Avenue
Hammond, Indiana 46323

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Mrs. Sharon R. Gardner
6837 Kansas Avenue
Hammond, Indiana 46323

May 25, 1982

President Ronald Reagan
President of the United States
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

I am not sure if you will ever read this letter, but I have for so long wanted to tell you some very important things, and even if you don't read this, I will at least have had the chance to put my very important feelings down on paper.

Every time I hear a newscast regarding your budget cuts and how it is effecting those who are so desperate makes me wonder. The word "Desperate" is defined as "Having lost hope" and in the United States of America, no one should loose hope, there is no need for it.

Why I feel as I do is the reason I am writing, for every day of my life I want to get on top of a near-by mountain top and shout out that I have the greatest children in the world. I am 42 years old, divorced and confined to a wheelchair due to a birth defect called Spina Bifida and the loss of both legs. I have been in the wheelchair since 1968, but worked from 1971 to 1981 to support my children. I am now on Social Security Disability because my body is weakening on me as I become older. I may have this problem, but to my kids, I've been just "Mom".

During these years my children have been real Saints. My daughter Becky is now married and she and her husband Gary Hankins have blessed my life with a grandson Matthew, age one year. My Son Kevin is now 17 years old, a Senior at Morton Senior High School in Hammond, IN and is about to graduate on June 6, 1982. Since my daughters marriage 2 years ago, they have moved to Wanatah, Indiana, so most of the obligations around the house are my sons.

Due to student cuts in Social Security Benefits, my son talked to his school counselor and with team effort, my son was able to put the remaining 2 classes he had to receive his diploma in the morning hours of school and then he was able to enroll full time at Indiana Vocational Technical College in hopes of becoming a tool & dye maker. This was necessary, for I am only able to receive \$258.00 a month, and my son \$80.00 a month, then his will soon be cut 25%.

May 25, 1982

The pressure this young man has been under is so great. He is a student at two schools, has so household chores to do that no one can imagine, for not only does he do chores such as mowing the lawn and empty the garbage, but going to the store for me, paying bills, taking care of medical help that I need, fixing and maintaining our old car and makes sure it is kept running for not only his needs, but for mine too, for there are hand controls on it. Of course there are house repairs that need to be taken care of, painting etc. That he also does. And of course, he has held a job since he was 13. All kinds. This summer he will be under CETA.

During the 10 years that I worked, I was a very active woman and did not like idle time. Since I have been on disability, my son has seen to it that my mind does not become idle. Because of him, I am able to be an Avon Representative, which means that it is he that takes books to people, takes orders from some of them and then delivers the products. As far as actual cash money goes, perhaps we get \$10 or \$15, but we are able to get shampoo, deodorant and other daily needs that we would have a hard time affording and most of all, my son is responsible for this.

Every night when I go to bed I pray that it will be easier for us the next day. Sometimes it is, sometimes it isn't, but we are never without hope. If one doesn't try, then perhaps it is hard to find hope, but we will never quit trying. At age 17, my son has carried more burdens than men of 40 have, but he will make it, he'll always have hope, as will my daughter and her family.

So yes President Reagan, let's get back to basics, let people start seeing one another and helping each other out. Let families help one another out and we'll all be better for it. My son Kevin is not on any honor roll as far as grades in school go, but there is no higher grade in the world than for a person, especially a young one, than to give up his own for others. I hope that someday in some way I can reward my children for all that they have been to not only me, but to Society, their community and their Country.

Please accept our best wishes to you and yours from all of us. Perhaps someday we will all have a chance to meet.

With kindest regards,

Sharon R. Gardner
Sharon R. Gardner

*P.S. Thank you for reading this and
Good luck on your plans - I
believe they'll work.*

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you very much for your letter and for your generous words. You are right on target and we are tracking together on the Soviet situation.

We did our best to persuade our friends to abandon the pipeline proposal but, unfortunately, some of them had gone too far and felt bound by contracts already made.

You were kind to write as you did and I am most grateful.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. William R. Johnson
6690 West Rowland Circle
Littleton, Colorado 80123

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SAMPLE!

William R. Johnson
6693 West Rowland Circle
Littleton, Colorado 80123
June 29, 1982

President Ronald Reagan

The White House

Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

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Otherwise, the Soviets wouldn't be ranting and raving about it!

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Well, sir, I'd like to comment on some of their reasonings:

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3. And it continues on and on. "Well, the Soviets will begin the gas deliveries in 1984... as they promised." And how will they do this? Well, these spokesmen say that the present gas lines in the Soviet are only utilized 75% to 80% capacity now... and that it would be very easy to divert gas to Europe with the present lines, if the new line is delayed.

Rebuttal? Sure. If the present lines are being used only to 75%-80% capacity why isn't Russia already shipping more gas to Europe in order to earn that currency they so sorely need... and also reduce the amount of loans or credits they need to build the new line?

Mr. President, economic sanctions or pressures on Russia will do more to bring them to the bargaining table than any other means. And the Europeans know this, too. (But they, of course, have got themselves into a real bind. Russia and its satellites owe them so much money that they, the Europeans, have got to continue lending them money or granting them credits -- just to protect their previous loans... and prop up the communist economies.)

I don't think the international bankers are very smart. But I think you are, Mr. President, and that you're doing a damn

William R. Johnson

6690 West Rowland Circle

Littleton, Colorado 80123

June 29, 1982

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The White House

Washington D.C.

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3. And it continues on and on. "Well, the Soviets will begin the gas deliveries in 1984...as they promised." And how will they do this? Well, these spokesmen say that the present gas lines in the Soviet are only utilized 75% to 80% capacity now...and that it would be very easy to divert gas to Europe with the present lines, if the new line is delayed.
Rebuttal? Sure. If the present lines are being used only to 75% - 80% capacity why isn't Russia already shipping more gas to Europe in order to earn that currency they so sorely need...and also reduce the amount of loans or credits they need to build the new line?

Mr. President, economic sanctions or pressures on Russia will do more to bring them to the bargaining table than any other means. And the Europeans know this, too. (But they, of course, have got themselves into a real bind. Russia and its satellites owe them so much money they they, the Europeans, have got to continue lending them money or granting them credits -- just to protect their previous loans...and prop up the communist economies.)

I don't think the international bankers are very smart.
But I think you are, Mr. President, and that you're doing
a damn fine job.

Sincerely,

William R. Johnson

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 26, 1982

Dear Mr. Perryman:

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May I say Her Majesty is truly a Queen and a warm, gracious lady I much admire and respect.

Again, thanks.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. F. W. Perryman
7 Oaklands Avenue
Osterley
Isleworth
Middlesex
England

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MR. F. W. PERRYMAN
7. OAKLANDS AVENUE
OSTERLEY
LEWORTH
MIDDY

Tuesday 15 June 1980

the President
United States of America.

Dear Mr President,

I wonder if your aides have shown
you the enclosed lovely cartoon. It is so topical and
was published on the day of the Queens Hooping the Colour
There is no offence in the cartoon.

From a 57 yr old Englishman

Yours faithfully

F. W. Perryman

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WASHINGTON

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Dear Bill:

I hope you don't mind my using your first name. I just feel that way about the Donovans. I never lost faith for a moment but I think it's a shame that people who are willing to serve their country at great personal sacrifice have to be subjected to the kind of thing that was heaped upon your brother.

Give my best to that "life time" Republican and let me be early in wishing you both a happy anniversary.

Sincerely,

RONALD REAGAN

Mr. William F. Donovan
Apartment 55
843 Webster
Hayward, California 94544

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July 6 = 1922

My Dear Mr. President -

I just wanted to write you a short
thank you note, in appreciation of your
loyalty to me, while the Kings have been
trial by fire.

Our care support during the rough
going was important to him and Betty and
1 children.

Speaking of mine I would like to thank
you Nancy a happy birthday.

My wife Daisy is a lady and something else
a common with me at Daisy, Lady and
her married in 1912 and with a daughter
in 1914 on Oct 12. She is also the only
lifetime registered Republican in the Democratic
Clan.

Thanks again Mr. President.

Gratefully and sincerely

W. H. H. H.

July 6th, 1982

My Dear Mr. President-

I just wanted to write you a short thank you note, in appreciation of your loyalty to my brother Ray during his "trial by fire."

I'm sure support during the rough going was important to him and Cathy and the children.

Speaking of wives I would like to wish your Nancy a happy birthday.

My wife, Doris and I have something else in common with you and Nancy, for we were also married in 1952 and will celebrate our 30th on Oct. 4th. She is also the only lifetime registered Republican in the "Donovan Clan."

Thanks again Mr. President --

Gratefully and loyally

yours

Bill Donovan

W.F. Donovan

843 Webster #55

Hayward, Calif. 94544

To Mr. Noel Patric Brady 3333 Queen Mary Rd.
Montreal, Quebec - Canada H3V 1A3.

Dear Mr. Brady

Thank you very much for your kind letter & generous words. Believe me, my friend from across the border, you did much to brighten my day. It was kind of you to write. I'll do my best to try & deserve your judgement.

Sincerely RR

To Prof. Donald T. Watson 1005 18th Ave. North
Nashville Tenn. 37208

Dear Prof. Watson

This is just a line to acknowledge your good letter of July 6. You were kind to write & I appreciate your generous words.

Meharry Medical College has too fine a record and has contributed too much to our society to be denied a helping hand when a little help is needed. I'm pleased everything worked out the way it did.

Again thank & Best Regards

Sincerely RR

To Mrs. Sharon R. Gardner 6837 Kansas Ave.
Hammond Ind. 46323

Dear Mrs. Gardner

Forgive me for being so late in answering your letter, now & then things just pile up in the Oval office.

Mrs. Gardner you were more than kind to write as you did. Your letter has reinforced my faith and overcome the effect of some editorials that evidently were written by journalists who don't know Americans like you & your son. You must be very proud of Kevin & with complete justification.

I know you didn't write with anything other in mind than expressing support for what I'm trying to do and I hope you won't be offended by the enclosed. I worked my way through school many years ago and
(over)

I'll need
a copy of
this one too -
the answer
letter

Some one did a little something one day to help.
Maybe I can show my appreciation by doing a little
something for someone the same age as I was at the time.
It isn't much but please accept it as a thank you
for lifting my morale. God Bless you.

Sincerely RR

To Mr. Wm. R. Johnson - 6690 West Rowland Circle
Littleton Colorado 80123

Dear Mr. Johnson

Thank you very much for your letter & for
your generous words. You are right on target and
we are tracking together on the Soviet situation.

We did our best to persuade our friends to
abandon the pipeline proposal but unfortunately some
of them had gone too far and felt bound by contracts
already made.

You were kind to write as you did and I'm
most grateful. Sincerely RR

To Mr. F.W. Perryman 7 Oakland Ave. Osterley Ave.
Osterley Isleworth Middx Eng.

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