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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 9, 1987

Dear Bud:

I understand you are doing well and we are all glad.

Take it easy and let me know if there is anything I can do to make life easier.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Clarence J. Brown  
Deputy Secretary of Commerce  
Department of Commerce  
Washington, D.C. 20230

HHB:SW:jz

cc: Lorraine Camarano

September 9, 1987

Dear Jesse:

Thanks for your note. I enjoyed my time in California.

I would be glad to meet with you later this month as things get started up again. Please contact Sue Walkup on my staff so that we could set a time.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Jesse Helms  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB  
Sue Walkup (FYI)

Signed "Howard"

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The Honorable Clarence J. Brown  
Deputy Secretary of Commerce  
Department of Commerce  
Washington, D.C. 20230

HHB:SW:jz

cc: Lorraine Camarano

September 10, 1987

Dear Gene:

Thank you very much for your recent correspondence regarding the Chattanooga Communities Neighborhood Housing Services' pending grant application with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

As a matter of sound policy, White House officials do not intervene in pending decisions by departments or agencies regarding grants, contracts and similar matters. I am, therefore, forwarding your letter to the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs at HUD for a direct reply.

Thank you for sharing with me your interest in the St. Elmo's project. I am sure that your application will receive full consideration.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Gene Roberts  
Mayor of Chattanooga  
City Hall  
Chattanooga, TN 37402

HHB/ 9HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB  
cc: Office of Intergovernmental Affairs (HUD) w/incmg.  
for direct reply

September 10, 1987

Dear Strom:

I had heard some weeks ago that you were moving your family back to South Carolina. Although I will miss seeing Nancy and the children, I compliment you on your decision. Joy and I wish all the best for you and Nancy.

Hope you enjoyed the August recess and got some rest. We'll all be working your hours these next several months.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Strom Thurmond  
United State Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

September 10, 1987

Dear Kenneth:

Since my arrival at the White House six months ago, I have received few messages as gracious as yours. It means a great deal to me to have your continued support.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. J. Kenneth Porter  
609 West Broadway  
Newport, TN 37821

HHB/WJB/CAD/ws 9HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

September 10, 1987

Dear Margaret:

Thanks so much for your gracious note. I thoroughly enjoyed the California Republican Party dinner last month, and I am pleased that my schedule allowed me to address my fellow Republicans. I had a delightful time.

Your kind words of friendship and encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warmest regards.

Sincerely,

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

Mrs. Margaret Martin Brock  
1404 Century Towers West  
2220 Avenue of the Stars  
Los Angeles, CA 90067

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

September 10, 1987

Dear Mr. Helander:

Senator Baker asked me to thank you for your letter and all you are doing to assist the Oklahoma Republican Party. Unfortunately, the cuff links you mentioned are reserved for visitors to the Oval Office and no supply is available. I know you will understand.

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup  
Special Assistant  
to the Chief of Staff

Mr. J. Winston Helander  
Tulsa County Young Republicans  
2749 East 61st Street  
Tulsa, OK 74136

SW/BR/WJB/ws 9HHB

cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

September 10, 1987

Dear General Talbott:

On behalf of Senator Baker, I would like to thank you for your letter and for sending him a copy of The Panama Canal Treaties Swindle: Consent to Disaster.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Sue Walkup  
Special Assistant  
to the Chief of Staff

Lieutenant General C. M. Talbott,  
USA, Ret.  
Chief of Staff  
The Military Order of the World Wars  
435 North Lee Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

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cc: Lorraine Camarano, 61 OEOB

September 10, 1987

Dear Mr. Patestides:

Thank you for your letter of August 24 on behalf of the Reverend Constantine N. Dombalis. You are absolutely right -- he has impressive credentials. I'm delighted to learn of his interest in public service.

A new Director for the White House Office of Public Liaison, Rebecca Range, has been appointed by the President. I am certain Rebecca will be assessing her staffing needs over the next several weeks, and I will ask her to review Father Dombalis' resume. I'm also forwarding a copy of his resume to the Office of Presidential Personnel for further review, should a vacancy occur in the future.

Again, thank you for taking the time to write. You have my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Michael Patestides  
Poles, Tublin, Patestides & Stratakis  
46 Trinity Place  
New York, NY 10006

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB  
cc: Rebecca Range with w/incmg.  
cc: Katja Bullock w/copy of incmg.

September 10, 1987

Dear Mick:

It's good to hear from you again -- I'm glad to see you're keeping busy.

I'll review your comments on the Middle East and Libya as time permits, and share them with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

Warm regards.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Mick Arnold  
Heath End House  
1, Montague Gardens, Petersfield  
Hampshire, GU31 4DT  
England

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB  
cc w/incmg. to Frank Carlucci (FYI)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Baron:

Thank you for your invitation to attend a reception on September 23 to celebrate the publication of Thomas Jefferson's Garden and Farm Book.

Although the heavy demands of my schedule will not allow me to attend the reception, I would be most happy to receive a copy of the book.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Robert C. Baron  
President  
Fulcrum  
350 Indiana Street  
Suite 510  
Golden, CO 80401

HHB:SW:jz

cc: Lorraine Camarano

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Horner:

Thank you for your letter requesting help in replacing the 30-year-old C-130A aircraft now assigned to the 164th Tactical Airlift Group in Memphis. The Administration remains committed to modernizing all of the Air National Guard (ANG) tactical airlift units.

Our top priority for the Tennessee ANG is to replace all C-130As as soon as newer aircraft become available. President Reagan's defense budget submissions to Congress will accomplish this task as quickly and as responsibly as possible. With continued congressional support, more modern aircraft should become available to upgrade the Tennessee ANG in the early 1990s.

The most critical element in the President's plan for Total Force airlift modernization is production of the C-17 aircraft. Keeping the C-17 funded and its production on track will insure assets are made available to replace the C-130A. President Reagan's plan is the best fiscally responsible approach to maintaining a strong national defense; we will continue to work with Congress to modernize Memphis and Nashville ANG units in accordance with this plan.

I appreciate having your informed views on this important matter, and I send my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Jim W. Horner  
District Attorney General  
for the State of Tennessee  
Post Office Box E  
Dyer County Courthouse  
Dyersburg, Tennessee 38025-2005

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Bill:

It has come to my attention that the Wilson Center Board is perhaps searching for a successor to Jim Billington as Center Director.

I unhesitatingly recommend Alton Frye for that position. I know you are acquainted with Alton. I have known him for many years and have relied on his good advice and insights on many matters. He is well acquainted in Washington and throughout the country, especially in the field of International Affairs.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable William Baroody  
Chairman of the Board  
Woodrow Wilson International  
Center for Scholars  
1000 Jefferson Drive, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20024

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB  
bcc: Alton Frye

September 11, 1987

Dear Ms. Chapman:

Thank you for your message expressing support for the President's nomination of Judge Robert H. Bork to the position of Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

President Reagan believes Judge Bork to be a man of the highest integrity and qualification as well as an eloquent and powerful advocate of judicial restraint, a philosophy whose guiding principle is that it is the legislature's role to enact laws and the court's role to interpret them.

In making the nomination, the President stated:

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The American Bar Association gave Judge Bork its highest rating -- "exceptionally well qualified" -- when he was confirmed by the Senate as an Appellate Judge in 1982. President Reagan is confident that the current Senate confirmation process will be equally successful and he looks forward to Judge Bork beginning a long and distinguished career as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Ms. Kathleen Chapman  
1764 Iglehart Avenue  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55104

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HNB-16  
cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

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Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Ms. Peggy Doerrie  
426 Herschel Street  
St. Paul, MN 55104

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mrs. Fries:

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Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mrs. Sharon Fries  
2212 Dayton Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55104

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mrs. Batt:

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Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mrs. Louis Batt, Sr.  
1700 Florida Avenue  
New Orleans, LA 70119

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HMB-16  
cc: Lorraine Camarano -- 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mrs. Kieffer:

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Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mrs. Marsha Kieffer  
402 Herschel Street  
Saint Paul, MN 55104

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HNB-16  
cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Abplanalp:

Thank you for sending your message to me.

You have no idea how helpful it is for me to hear directly from the American people. I will keep your words in mind.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. and Mrs. Carl D. Abplanalp  
545 Harbaugh Valley Road  
Fairfield, PA 17320

HMB/SW/WJB/RKS/jfc (9HMB)  
HMB-12

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Bagwell:

Thank you for your kind message. I appreciate your warm words of support and confidence.

The enclosed photograph comes with my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Donald H. Bagwell  
78 King Street  
Charleston, SC 29401

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HNB-1A

Enclosure: HNB auto photo

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Ms. Miller:

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Sincerely,

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

Ms. Sally A. Miller  
2887 Signal Street  
Memphis, TN 38127

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HNB-1A

Enclosure: HNB auto photo

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 GEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Pickett:

Thank you for your message and thoughtful words of support.

I appreciate your bringing your observations to my attention. I will be sure to share these views with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

Again, thank you for your interest and encouragement.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Ed Pickett  
4323 Caldwell Mill Road  
Birmingham, Alabama 35243

HNB/SW/WJB/jfc (9HNB)  
HNB-3

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Ms. Hoult:

Thank you for sending your message to me.

You have no idea how helpful it is for me to hear directly from the American people. I will keep your words in mind.

Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Ms. Jennifer Hoult  
Apartment 3A  
299 Riverside Drive  
New York, NY 10025

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HNB-12

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

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Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mrs. Helen Baker  
Post Office Box 207  
Livingston, Montana 59047

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HHB-12

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Lasswell:

Thank you for sending your message to me.

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Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Jim Lasswell  
Apartment 89  
1724C Heritage  
Fort Collins, CO 80526

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HMB-12

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Croghan:

Thank you for the material which you have thoughtfully sent to me.

With so much to be done here in Washington, I count on the help of the American people. I assure you that I will study this information and share it with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. M. Croghan  
Apartment 7  
415 North 118th Plaza  
Omaha, NE 68154

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HHB-10

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 11, 1987

Dear Mr. Gentes:

Thank you for the material which you have thoughtfully sent to me.

With so much to be done here in Washington, I count on the help of the American people. I assure you that I will study this information and share it with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Bernard S. Gentes  
Post Office Box 3934  
St. Petersburg, FL 33731

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HHB-10

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 14, 1987

Dear Gil:

Thank you for your letter concerning the report of the President's Commission on Americans Outdoors. You are correct -- these issues are important to me and to the Administration.

I am sorry to hear your view that there is a strong perception in the country that this Administration has not aggressively pursued "quality of life" issues. I strongly believe the Administration's record is excellent in this regard, particularly when viewed in the context of the vast array of other responsibilities of the Federal Government such as national security, agriculture, space exploration, energy, welfare, health, and education.

The President has had a strong and comprehensive set of initiatives relating to outdoor activities since the first day of his Administration. For example, one of his first policy objectives was to restore and improve national park facilities. Over \$1 billion was spent for this purpose in 4 years, and funding levels have remained relatively high since that time. The Administration argues that we must take good care of what we have before we add other areas which cannot be properly managed. Moreover, the Administration believes that it is appropriate that State and local governments address recreation requirements at those levels and that Federal actions be targeted to areas of national importance.

With respect to the Commission's recommendations, the Administration has an active review process underway which I expect to be completed in the relatively near future, or by the end of this year. Unquestionably, much of the Report is consistent with the goals of this Administration and can be strongly supported. Other recommendations will require careful study and must be balanced against competing needs, including ongoing activities to protect the outdoors and to control spending.

The President and I realize that you and the other Commission members worked very hard on the Report. Your efforts have formed an excellent frame of reference from which the Administration can assess its programs to protect the American outdoors. These efforts are greatly appreciated.

Again, thanks for setting aside time to send me your thoughts.

With my appreciation and best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Gilbert M. Grosvenor  
President and Chairman  
National Geographic Society  
Washington, DC 20036

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

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September 14, 1987

Dear Dan:

Thanks for your note about the big problem we have with the new office building project in Moscow. Jim Schlesinger, Anne Armstrong and Mel Laird have headed up reviews of the program to find ways of cleaning up the situation. The President has reviewed the findings and it appears that dismantling of a substantial part of the building is required.

Ben Rich's people have been in town to provide briefings to key people at State and other agencies. The idea of coating the walls is compelling, but the intelligence folks have achieved a coup of sorts and want to exploit the sophisticated Soviet engineering that has been uncovered. That, of course, does not mean that we couldn't use some of the more creative products of the "skunk works."

For the next two years or so, we have a lot of work to do in Moscow to get a suitable and secure facility. Technological solutions are required for building shielding and other counter-measures to protect our activities from KGB penetration. I'm sure Ben Rich and other resourceful people will be of enormous help to us.

It was good to hear from you. I appreciate your thoughtful note and the very useful referral on Ben.

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Dan McKinnon  
Post Office Box 014  
College Grove Center  
San Diego, CA 92115

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 - OEOB

September 14, 1987

Dear Dean:

Thanks so much for your thoughtful invitation to attend the Auburn, Indiana International Classic Car Event. I am sorry that my schedule did not permit me to come, but I hope that everyone had a most enjoyable time.

With warm best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Dean V. Kruse  
Kruse International  
Post Office Box 190  
Auburn, Indiana 46706

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

September 14, 1987

Dear Fred:

Thank you for your note regarding Bill Verity's selection as Secretary of Commerce. Like Mac Baldrige before him, Bill will work diligently to expand international markets and will oppose protectionist measures that threaten to undermine the policies the Administration has implemented to correct the trade imbalance.

I am glad Bill has your support as he assumes the helm at the Department of Commerce at this critical time.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

The Honorable Frederick B. Dent  
19 Montgomery Drive  
Spartanburg, SC 29302

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

September 14, 1987

Dear Mr. Newman:

Enclosed is Dr. Alan Greenspan's response to your proposal for a Federal Par User's Fee. I hope you will find this information useful.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. John A. Newman  
Reed, Smith, Shaw and McClay  
Post Office Box 2009  
Pittsburgh, PA 15230

Enclosures: 8/19/87 letter from Dr. Alan Greenspan to HHB re: Mr. John Newman's proposal and staff analysis of an earlier version of Mr. Newman's proposal.

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cc: Lorraine Camarano - Rm. 61 OEOB

September 14, 1987

Dear Mrs. Fladeboe:

Thank you for your message expressing support for the President's nomination of Judge Robert H. Bork to the position of Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

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Mrs. Delores A. Fladeboe  
1696 Iglehart Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55104

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HNB-16

cc: Lorraine Camarano - 61 OEOB

September 14, 1987

Dear Mr. Parran:

Thank you for your recent letter expressing your opposition to the provision in the Senate-passed trade bill requiring advance notice to employees of plant closings and layoffs of 50 or more employees during any 90-day period.

The Administration will insist on removal of the Senate provision during the House-Senate conference on the trade bill. Contrary to the reported objectives of trade legislation, mandatory advance notice would make American industry less competitive, not more.

In his most recent letter to the Senate on this legislation, the Secretary of Labor stated that inclusion of any mandatory plant closing provisions would make it impossible for the President's senior advisors to recommend approval of a trade bill.

Thank you for sharing your views.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Richard B. Parran  
Vice President  
Human Resources  
PPG Industries, Inc.  
One PPG Place  
Pittsburgh, PA 15272

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September 14, 1987

Dear Postmaster Tisch:

Thank you for sending me the two stamp albums commemorating the drafting of the United States Constitution and the bicentennial of Pennsylvania statehood, respectively.

These stamps pay richly deserved tribute to the legacies of our Founding Fathers and the early colonizers of "Penn's Woodland." During this historic month, it is appropriate to recognize Pennsylvania as the second state to ratify the United States Constitution.

I am sure to enjoy these albums.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Preston R. Tisch  
The Postmaster General  
Washington, D.C. 20260-0010

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September 14, 1987

Dear Mr. Scott:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Lloyd A. Scott, Jr.  
Post Office Drawer 1729  
Bartow, FL 33830-1729

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September 14, 1987

Dear Mrs. Shinn:

Thank you for your thoughtful message. I appreciate your friendship, but I do not plan to run for office in 1988. It is my intention to serve President Reagan until the end of his term.

Your words of encouragement mean a great deal to me. Please accept my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mrs. Gloria C. Shinn  
1425 C Cleveland Avenue  
Charlotte, NC 28203

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September 14, 1987

Dear Mr. Schulman:

Thank you for your recent letter and for sharing your ideas with me.

I feel your message deserves a detailed response. For this reason, I have sent your letter to the appropriate officials at the Department of the Treasury who will give it full consideration.

You have my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Lee Schulman  
Post Office Box 09506  
Columbus, OH 43209

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September 14, 1987

Dear Mr. Langston:

Thank you for the material which you have thoughtfully sent to me.

With so much to be done here in Washington, I count on the help of the American people. I assure you that I will study this information and share it with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. George C. Langston  
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer  
Forstmann and Company, Inc.  
Post Office Box 1049  
Dublin, GA 31040

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September 14, 1987

Dear Professor Hancock:

Thank you for your message and thoughtful words of support.

I appreciate your bringing your observations to my attention. I will be sure to share these views with the appropriate members of the White House staff.

Again, thank you for your interest and encouragement.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. John E. Hancock  
Associate Professor  
of Architecture  
University of Cincinnati  
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Cincinnati, OH 45221-0016

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September 14, 1987

Dear Mrs. Brown:

Thank you for your message expressing support for the President's nomination of Judge Robert H. Bork to the position of Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

President Reagan believes Judge Bork to be a man of the highest integrity and qualification as well as an eloquent and powerful advocate of judicial restraint, a philosophy whose guiding principle is that it is the legislature's role to enact laws and the court's role to interpret them.

In making the nomination, the President stated:

Judge Bork is recognized as a premier Constitutional authority. His outstanding intellect and unrivaled scholarly credentials are reflected in his thoughtful examination of the broad, fundamental, legal issues of our times. . . . We're fortunate to be able to draw upon such an impressive legal mind; an experienced judge and a man who already has devoted so much of his life to public service. He'll bring credit to the Court and his colleagues, as well as to his country and the Constitution.

The American Bar Association gave Judge Bork its highest rating -- "exceptionally well qualified" -- when he was confirmed by the Senate as an Appellate Judge in 1982. President Reagan is confident that the current Senate confirmation process will be equally successful and he looks forward to Judge Bork beginning a long and distinguished career as a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Again, thank you for writing. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Mrs. Emmett Brown  
838 Erie  
San Antonio, TX 78212

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September 14, 1987

Dear Miss Norris:

Thank you for your kind invitation to visit the Pinecrest Rest Home. I especially appreciate your thoughtfulness, but the heavy demands of my schedule will not allow me the pleasure of meeting with the residents of your home.

I am enclosing a photograph which I hope you will enjoy having. It comes with my warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

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

Miss Martha Norris  
Pinecrest Rest Home  
Route 3, Box 58  
Lillington, NC 27546

Enclosure: ~~unopened photo of HHB~~ personally autographed photo of HHB

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