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March 12, 1987

Dear Mr. Witherell:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Warren Witherell  
552 Osceola Avenue  
Winter Park, Florida 32789

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H/H/B Howard Baker  
Chief of Staff  
The White House

Warren Witherell  
552 Osceola Avenue  
Winter Park, FL 32789  
(305) 644-7151

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Dear MR. BAKER -

Thankyou for serving your country  
and your President as you are at this time.

Your skill + character + wisdom will prove  
a great benefit to The USA, + to our  
very special president.

Good luck

Warren Witherell

March 12, 1987

Dear Mr. Marec:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. John R. Marec  
6601 Forest View Drive  
Oak Forest, Illinois 60452

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Howard Baker  
Chief of Staff  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

March 5, 1987

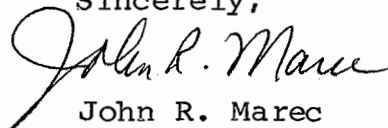
Dear Mr. Baker,

This is my second letter to you, but I did not mail the first one. My first letter was to offer my services to assist your campaign manager in Illinois, in the event you decided to run for the presidential office. Apparently, you will probably delay any aspirations for the moment.

Congratulations, on your acceptance of the post of Chief of Staff of the White House. I am very confident that with your skills in government, management, and business, that the new White House team will hit all targets on the bullseye.

Again, if your programs need any future assistance in time and effort, then I would be appreciative of any consideration.

Sincerely,



John R. Marec

6601 Forest View Drive  
Oak Forest, Il. 60452

March 12, 1987

Dear Mr. Eubank:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. R. J. Eubank  
518 Rollow Drive  
Ada, Oklahoma 74820

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Sir:

We commend you for the acceptance  
of President Reagan's invitation to be  
C/S. This appointment exemplifies a  
true American rallying to his Country's  
cause.

Good luck on your new job.

R. J. Seaborn

March 12, 1987

Dear Mr. Blanken:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Dean R. Blanken  
Post Office Box 10813  
Edgemont Branch  
Golden, Colorado 80401-0600

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Tuesday March 3, 1987  
Dean R Blanken,  
PO Box 10813, Edgemont Branch  
Golden CO 80401-0813

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Dear Mr Baker:

I thank you for taking the job  
of "Chief of Staff". It is indeed a  
great personal loss for you  
and your family to take that job.  
I and several others had been  
hoping for years you would  
run for President and get the  
job. It looks like you got it, but  
don't worry you didn't. I think  
you will find that Secretaries of  
Defense and State did protest the  
Iran arms deal as much as they  
dared without getting fired.

The white house is run in a  
strange fashion. Some ex white  
house employees may shed some  
light on it for you.

May the blessings of God be  
with you and the Government.

DRB

March 12, 1987

Dear Ms. Adelstein:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Ms. Marie Adelstein  
Apartment C  
1684 Grand Concourse  
Bronx, New York 10457

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The Honorable Howard Baker  
The White House Chief of Staff.  
Washington, D.C.

Honorable Sir,

Please accept our Heartfelt Felicitations on  
being chosen The White House Chief of Staff,  
May The Good Lord grant You strength and  
wisdom to conduct the most challenging, high  
position.

With warm wishes for success,

1684 Grand Concourse  
Apt. C, Bronx, N.Y.  
10457

Respectfully,  
Marie Adelstein

March 3-87

P.S. We're enclosing our original, patriotic  
poem "What It Takes"

## What It Takes.

It takes the sun to melt the snow.

It takes the rain to make things grow.

It takes the bark to protect the tree,

It takes the nectar to feed the bee.

It takes hard labor to achieve a goal.

It takes sincere prayers to cleanse the soul,

It takes appreciation to understand,

That, we're living in a wonderful, free land,

Where, one has no fear to express his opinion

To be put in chains, expelled from his dominion,

Let's say a prayer, every day, kissing the soil of

The U. S. A.

We praise The Lord and His guiding hand,

For leading our forefathers to this blessed land,

Let's band together and call out, loud!

That as Americans, we're very proud!!!

Very Respectfully,  
Marie Adelstein

March 12, 1987

Dear Ms. Suhart:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Ms. Marietta P. Suhart  
114 Three Ashley Circle  
Athens, Georgia 30605

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February 28, 1987

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The Honorable Howard Baker:

I overheard a USA student today saying, "I just found out your person refused the job I took. Now, I'm wondering if I'm the fool." No

Thank you for taking on the post of Chief of Staff. It is the "silver lining" in this hideous mess. We don't expect miracles. You can't possibly turn around six years of his management, even cheaply. But, we do expect you to bring organization and management skills to the office — and, above all, Keep the Executive Branch Honest! If this means firing George Shultz, whom I have supported, and Caspar Weinberger, about whom I am ambivalent, do it.

Marietta P. Suhart

M P SUHART  
114 3 ASHLEY CIR  
ATHENS, GA 30605

March 12, 1987

Dear Sister Carmella:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Sister Carmella Legutko, C.S.F.N.  
2500 Seventh Avenue  
Altoona, Pennsylvania 16603

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March 3, 1987

Mr. Howard Baker  
Chief of Staff  
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. Baker:

CONGRATULATIONS! I am so happy that you accepted that important position of CHIEF OF STAFF. I have great confidence that you are the man we need at this time to fill that great job.

However, I am disappointed that you refuse to run for president in 1988. I was really looking forward to that.

I assure you of my prayers for the success of your work.

God bless you in coming to our rescue in this time of need.

I am sure I speak for many others.

Sincerely,

Sister Carmella Legutko, CSFN



March 12, 1987

Dear Mr. Wood:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. David E. Wood  
Advantage III Group  
Suite 107  
1441 King Avenue  
Columbus, Ohio 43212

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March 2, 1987

Senator Howard Baker  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Baker:

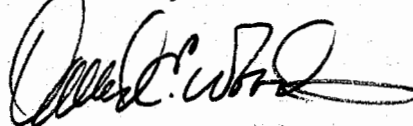
This letter is written in sincere appreciation of your acceptance of the position as President Reagan's Chief of Staff.

Putting Country before Party, and Party before Politics, you have exemplified the best character of true statesmanship. Yes, you could have entered the 1988 Presidential contest, and perhaps succeeded, but I read by your actions that you understand the need for two more years of a strong Reagan Presidency.

The policies and programs of this Administration have positively affected the future of this nation beyond what any of us many now realize. The possibility of a lameduck President, and subsequent potential victory of a Democratic candidate in 1988, has been seriously challenged by your positive action to help not only your President and party, but also your country.

Again, thank you for your acceptance of this honored but difficult position. Our prayers are with you.

Sincerely,



David E. Wood

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March 12, 1987

Dear Mr. Warren:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Bill Warren  
35-H Crossings Circle  
Boynton Beach, Florida 33435

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February 28, 1987

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Senator Howard Baker  
% White House  
Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Senator Baker,

I feel your new appointment proves you are a dedicated American, and it opens the door to you becoming the first Statesman we have had in decades.

The country needs you now, we will attend to the presidency when the time comes.

Sincerely,  
Bill Warren

Life Member R.N.C. #4314  
Republican Pres. Jack Torce Trustee #28509  
also your Republican Senate Majority Fund  
35-H CROSSINGS CIR, BOYNTON BEACH, FL. 33435

March 12, 1987

Dear Mr. Coe:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. Russell L. Coe  
807 Fatherland Street  
Nashville, Tennessee 37206

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March 3, 1987

The Honorable Howard Baker  
Chief of Staff  
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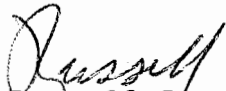
Dear Howard:

Congratulations. Your acceptance as relief of Chief of Staff Regan is a classical stitch in time. I noticed an immediate slack in the HUFF and PUFF of the press.

I have to admire Mr. Regan, he piled up a life time of plusses, however, I have to believe he was a driver in a leader's seat. This old sailor has been exposed to the whole spectrum.

Again congratulations, glad to see you back in Washington.

Very respectfully yours,



Russell L. Coe  
807 Fatherland St.  
Nashville, TN 37206

March 12, 1987

Dear Ms. Duncan:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Ms. Katherine F. Duncan  
Apartment 3  
2877 Holmes Avenue South  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55408

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2877 Holmes Avenue South, #3  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55408

March 3, 1987

Mr. Howard Baker  
White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Baker:

I am enormously glad that you are in the White House in a position of influence.  
The only thing better would be if you were President.

Very truly yours,

*Katherine Duncan*

Katherine F. Duncan

P.S.

In 1973, my family acquired two young black cats, siblings, of great charm. One we named Sam Ervin Duncan and the other Howard Baker Duncan. Sam was the sweetest being anyone had ever encountered; he has since gone to his reward. Howard has some vinegar in his personality, enough to have character but not enough to be sour. He is well and living happily in Stowe, Vermont with my brother, sister-in-law, nephew and several other cats.



March 12, 1987

Dear Mr. Granieri:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

Mr. John Granieri  
Post Office Box 272790  
Tampa, Florida 33688-2790

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MARCH 2, 1987

Mr. Howard Baker  
Chief Of Staff  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Baker;

Congratulations. I am very happy that the President has seen fit to choose you to fill the Chief of Staff slot. My only disappointment is that He didn't pick you in the very beginning, from the get go.

I support the President. He is truly a good man, who happens to be in a tough spot right now. I pray for Him. My prayers are also with you, for the spot that you are in.

Sincerely;

*John Granieri*

John Granieri  
P.O. Box 272790  
Tampa, FL.  
33688-2790

March 12, 1987

Dear Reverend Bryan:

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

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

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

The Reverend Charles M. Bryan  
First United Methodist Church  
Post Office Box 374  
Gatlinburg, Tennessee 37738

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# First United Methodist Church

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Pastor's Residence 436-5346

March 6, 1987

The Honorable Howard Baker  
Chief of Staff  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Mr. Baker:

My reaction to your acceptance of President Reagan's request to be his Chief of Staff was a mixed one. My first reaction was a positive one. I felt that you were the finest choice he could have made for that sensitive position. My negative reaction centered in your becoming involved with an administration so full of scandal and unethical if not illegal activity.

Through the years I've admired your effective leadership and your high principles. I've been proud that you represented Tennessee and did so with such distinction. I have always felt that you were guided by principles which were shaped by your Christian commitment. Much of this will be tested in your new position.

My plea is that your first loyalty not be to President Reagan. It was this kind of commitment that put the administration into such shambles. May I suggest that the order of your commitments be as follows: 1) Truth; 2) Your principles guided by Christian Commitment; 3) The Nation; 4) The world status and relations of the country; and lastly, 5) to the President. I say this from the understanding that Mr. Reagan needs a commitment to the truth and to Christian principles and your ordering of priorities and commitments can be helpful to him in this regard. What might look best to him in terms of what is dramatically appropriate might not be in the best interests of our nation.

On balance I am delighted that you are where you are. I do feel that your leadership will again shape and guide the nation effectively. Yours is a most difficult and sensitive responsibility. I am certain that you are more than adequate for the task.

My best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

  
Charles M. Bryan, Pastor

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