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To the President of the  
United States  
Mr. Ronald Reagon  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to you in the following matter:

I understand that recently Congress has approved and voted into legislature the reparation payment to the American-Japanese citizens who so unjustly spent three or more years of their lives in American intern-camps, in their own country, during the war years.

I understand that the reparation-process of approval of this measure has been a very slow one and that momentarily there is a question of finding the proper and fluent funds.

It is therefore that I am writing to you that perhaps by special Presidential Order this process can be speedily put into effect so that those elderly citizens who have suffered under these procedures might at the end of their life-time while they enjoy still good health, receive their reparations for this injustice. Although such atrocities can never be amended for by fiscal substitute--they did lose years of their lives in which they could not make a living--it would never help them and would make them feel not as an outcast, as such an interment would have indicated.

I understand that the Germans have made their reparations both to individual Jews and to Israel for crimes that were committed under a dictatorship. I think that the internment of U.S. citizens in a democracy of their own country also deserves a gestures of reparation and amendment. I think that the late astronaut Onizuka has demonstrated his patriotic loyalty and perhaps his parents are among those who were interned. A friend of mine, now in her sixties, also spent time in those camps; she worked hard all her life and I would like to see her spent the rest of her years more comfortably which she could do if the reparation amendment would be put into effect quickly.

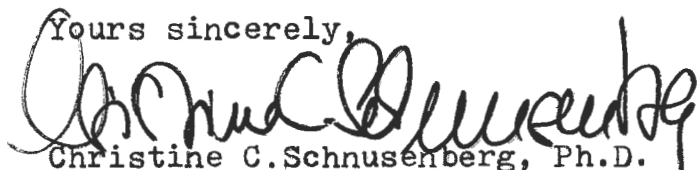
Regarding the investigations into the Challenger disaster:

I am horrified by what seems to have been utter negligence at NASA. If a physician were caught in such negligence of any "operation" he would certainly find himself stripped of his licence and faced with a heavy malpractice suit.

I would like to see these officials held responsible and I slowly become convinced that perhaps these marvellous Seven of Challenger had to give their lives for a purpose--perhaps to avert a larger disaster that could be the result of such incomprehensible management of NASA.

With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Christine C. Schnusenberg". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name. There is a large, stylized flourish or loop at the end of the signature that extends downwards and to the right.

Christine C. Schnusenberg, Ph.D.