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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

FROM: Bruce Reed
Elena Kagan

SUBJECT: DPC October Event Ideas

Health Care

Long-Term Care: If Democrats decide to introduce an alternative tax bill, we could do an event (either before or concurrent with the Democratic unveiling) that highlights the President's long-term care initiative. The President's proposal would provide for a \$500-\$1,000 tax credit to people with long-term care needs or their caregivers. It would cost about \$5 billion over 5 years and help about 2.2 million people. At the same time, the President could call for the Federal Employees Health Benefit plan to offer long-term care insurance to federal employees. OPM estimates that 300,000 people would buy these policies.

Work Incentives and Health Care for People with Disabilities: Within a week, we will know whether the Senate will vote on the Jeffords-Kennedy Work Incentives Improvement Act -- the disability community's top health priority -- this year. If the bill does come to a vote, we could do a strong event with the disability and AIDS communities emphasizing our involvement in developing the bill and calling on the Senate to pass it. We also could announce the approval of four states for the new "date certain" grant program. This initiative (long sought by the disability community) gives states the ability to use Medicaid funds to offer a time-limited opportunity for institutionalized disabled persons to return to their communities to receive the long-term care services they need. The disabilities community views the program as an important step in moving Medicaid away from its historic bias toward institutionalizing the chronically ill.

Children's Health: October is the first anniversary of the effective date of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and October 5 is Child Health Day. We could release the first annual report on states' progress in implementing CHIP, which is expected to coincide with a sufficient number of state approvals to cover 2.5 million kids. At this event, we would launch phase one of our children's health outreach campaign with NGA, which includes new radio ads in 10 states (set to begin October 1) targeted to parents of uninsured children eligible for CHIP or Medicaid. We also are trying to get a commitment from Americorps to participate in signing families up for Medicaid and CHIP on the local level.

Patients' Bill of Rights: We would like to do at least one more patients' bill of rights event, preferably on the road, prior to the election. We might want to do a kind of wrap-up event, now

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that we have just about finished applying the bill of rights to federal health plans, totting up everything we have done by executive action (i.e., how many people covered) and comparing it to what Congress has accomplished (i.e., nothing). The AFL-CIO (per Jerry Shea) strongly favors this event.

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Cancer Event(s): In addition to the September 26 Cancer March (and the President's possible involvement through a radio address), October is National Breast Cancer Awareness month. It is also the fifth anniversary of the President's launching of the National Action Plan on Breast Cancer. We have tentatively scheduled October 21 for an event with the First Lady to (1) release a new report on the progress the Administration has made in the fight against breast cancer, and (2) highlight a new information outreach and screening campaign focused on underserved minorities. Because of the President's strong cancer record, as well as his desire to underscore our commitment to ending health disparities among races, the President might want to participate in this event.

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Elder Abuse: See Crime section of this memo.

Education

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September Grants: The Education Department will announce prior to September 30: (1) technology grants (\$30 million to 17 states); (2) charter school grants (\$60 million to 20 states); (3) safe and drug free school grants (\$5 million for model school partnerships and universities); and (4) school-to-work grants (\$40 million to urban and rural communities, which must be given on September 30). We can try to combine as many of these grants as possible into a single event, perhaps in Chicago:

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Potential Bill Signings: (1) The Higher Education Act is virtually certain to pass this session, though the timing is uncertain. It is likely to contain provisions to reduce student loan interest rates, as well as programs based on our High Hopes and Teacher Recruitment and Preparation proposals. (2) Prospects for passing the charter schools legislation are decent, though hardly guaranteed. (3) Ditto the prospects for passing an early literacy bill.

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Safe Schools Conference: On October 15, the President will host a White House Conference on School Safety and take the following actions: (1) release the first annual report on school safety, including school crime data, information on model safe schools, and recommended action steps for parents and teachers; (2) unveil a proposal to reform the Safe and Drug Free Schools program and call for additional funds in the FY 2000 budget; (3) announce a new FEMA-like program of assistance for communities that have experienced school-related violence; (4) launch new comprehensive school safety grants that will bring together disparate streams of funding from the Departments of Justice, Education, and Health and Human Services; and (5) start a partnership with MTV on school safety, which includes a year of PSAs.

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September COPS Grants: The President could announce in late September \$370 million in grants to hire or redeploy 11,500 more police officers. This announcement would include \$100 million for Los Angeles to hire 700 new police officers, \$70 million for the rest of California to hire 800 new officers, and \$200 million for COPS MORE grants to allow police departments in communities across the nation to redeploy more than 10,000 officers.

Elder Abuse and Fraud: The President could take several actions to combat elder abuse and fraud, including: (1) releasing the preliminary findings of an HHS study on elder abuse; (2) creating a new national center on elder abuse; (3) calling on Congress to reauthorize the Older Americans' Act, which includes services to help older Americans at risk for abuse; (4) launching a new partnership between the Justice Department and AARP to create Elder Fraud Prevention Teams (EFPTs) in four cities (Miami, Phoenix, San Diego, and Seattle); (5) releasing roughly \$3 million in Justice Department grants to combat fraud against the elderly (by September 30); and (6) posting new information on telemarketing fraud on the Department of Justice Web site.

TOP COPS Legislation: The President could sign legislation to expand educational benefits for the children of slain local law enforcement officers at the NAPO TOP COPS event on October 9, assuming the legislation is passed in time. The President endorsed this proposal at last year's TOP COPS event. The bill has passed the Senate and is waiting for a floor vote in the House.

1997 FBI Crime Statistics: Coinciding with the October 18 release of the final 1997 FBI Uniform Report -- which will continue to show large decreases in crime -- the President could give a major policy speech on how this Administration's efforts have helped to fuel the longest sustained drop in violent crime in nearly 40 years. The speech would commemorate the fourth anniversary of the landmark 1994 Crime Act; highlight the crime policies, including signature initiatives such as COPS, that have helped to change the nation's approach to crime; and begin to make the case for new crime proposals that will be included in the State of the Union and FY 2000 budget.

Youth Crime Gun Interdiction Initiative: Anytime after October 23, the President could: (1) release the second annual report on the Youth Crime Gun Interdiction Initiative (YCGII), which will provide new ATF data on guns used in crimes in 27 cities; (2) announce the availability of new funds to hire new ATF agents to investigate gun trafficking in these 27 cities; and (3) propose a dramatic expansion of this initiative in the FY 2000 budget to all major cities (i.e., the 65-70 cities with populations of 250,000 or more), which would cost about \$30 million (pending OMB's approval). Additionally, because we expect the YCGII report to make a strong case for cracking down on "straw purchasers" and gun shows, we are considering whether the President should announce his support for legislation requiring background checks for all secondary market gun purchases.

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Children and Families

Head Start Reauthorization Bill: The President should have the opportunity to sign a Head Start Reauthorization bill this year. A bill signing could highlight the how the Administration has (1) significantly increased Head Start participation; (2) dramatically improved program quality; and (3) created Early Head Start for infants and toddlers.

Quality Child Care for Federal Employees Act: The President may get an opportunity to sign the Quality Child Care for Federal Employees Act, which makes important improvements to federally-sponsored child care by building on an executive memorandum that the President issued in March 1998. (Congress, however, might add this measure to an appropriations bill.) We could announce new CCDBG data (see just below) at this signing.

New Child Care Data. The President could announce new data of the number of children served with child care assistance through the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG). This data will point to the need for increased investment in the block grant; we expect the data to indicate that we are serving approximately 1.8 million children of the 10 million eligible for assistance. This is the first data to examine the CCDBG created by welfare reform in 1996 (when four child care assistance programs were consolidated).

CEO Roundtable Discussion on Work/Family Issues: The President could host a meeting of CEOs to discuss "family-friendly" workplace practices that meet the needs of the nation's changing workforce. The President could release a new CEA report, if it is ready, on Families and the Changing Labor Market. Additionally, the President could signal support for the design of a paid parental leave program (policy development process required). This meeting would build on the work of the Treasury Child Care Working Group, run by Secretary Rubin.

Welfare

National Child Support Case Registry: HHS is almost ready to put in place a new national database of child support cases, called a Federal Case Registry. This database will make it easier to locate deadbeat parents, especially if they have moved to a different state; HHS will check the Registry daily against an existing database of new employees; when it finds a match, it will report the information to the state, which then will arrange to garnish the wages of the delinquent parent. The registry was proposed by the President in 1994 and enacted as part of the 1996 welfare reform law. States will begin to submit their case data to HHS on October 1; HHS expects to have 30 states in its system by the end of October and 40 states by the end of the year. We could unveil the new registry anytime in October.

Work Participation Rates and Other Statistics: In late October, the President could visit a welfare-to-work program and announce (1) new state work participation rates, showing that almost all states are meeting the welfare law's single-parent requirements, but some are failing to meet the law's separate two-parent requirement; (2) new caseload data showing continuing

declines; and (3) new data on the number of people who were on welfare in 1997 and working in March 1998.

Tobacco

OSHA Rule: The President could sign an Executive Order directing OSHA to issue within one year a standard establishing a smoke-free workplace for all private sector employees. OSHA has been working since 1991 on a standard regulating all indoor air pollutants (including but not limited to environmental tobacco smoke), but is years away from completing the standard, principally because there is scanty scientific evidence to justify the regulation of certain non-ETS pollutants. If the President ordered a separate standard only on ETS, OSHA believes it could complete the work within a year. The resulting standard would be similar to the August 1997 Executive Order banning smoking in federal buildings.

Counteradvertising: In an event focusing on counteradvertising, the President could direct HHS to: (1) designate the CDC's Media Campaign Resource Center as a National Clearinghouse on Tobacco Counteradvertising; (2) collect and disseminate a package of the top-10 advertisements for preventing youth smoking, and make these available to states and organizations for television placement free of charge; and (3) make effective anti-tobacco curriculum available to every school. Supermodel Christy Turlington and the musical group "Boyz II Men" have made PSAs that would be among the top-10 package, and we could invite them to participate in the event.

Department of Defense Anti-Tobacco Plan: The President could help unveil the DOD's new comprehensive anti-tobacco plan. This plan includes: health plan coverage of over-the-counter nicotine replacement therapies; an extensive counteradvertising campaign; and the incorporation of anti-tobacco messages into military education and training programs. The total cost is about \$60 million. The Secretary of Defense and/or Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff could join the President.

Food Safety

 **Salmonella and Research:** The President could announce a preliminary USDA study showing that salmonella risks have declined by almost 50 percent in chicken and almost 40 percent in swine, largely because of the HACCP program. At the same time, he could participate in a kind of "show and tell" event demonstrating the importance of research to food safety, showing for example how federal research has led to technologies dramatically reducing salmonella in chicken and e-coli in cows.

Service

 **Americorps 100,000th Member Event:** CNS is planning national service events in Washington and around the country on October 23 to celebrate the swearing-in of the 100,000th Americorps member. At this event (or at some other time), the President also could announce: (1) new grants

to support 500-1000 Americorps Promise Fellowships to support the goals set at the Presidents' Summit; (2) the recipients of the President's Service Awards, the nation's highest volunteer service award; and (3) the recipients of the President's Student Service Awards.

Community Empowerment

Individual Development Accounts: The President may have an opportunity to sign a bill to provide funds for IDAs, which the President has supported since 1992. At the bill signing, the President could announce that he is sending a letter to the bank regulators asking that IDA accounts count towards a financial institution's CRA requirements.

December 7, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

FROM: Bruce Reed
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SUBJECT: DPC State of the Union Rollout

Following is a list of possible announcements that the President could make prior or to the State of the Union.

HEALTH CARE:

Anti-Asthma Initiative

The President could unveil a new budget initiative that will enable EPA to conduct a national asthma awareness campaign, initiate activities to reduce asthma triggers in homes, and establish school-based asthma programs in every community. The initiative also will assist states in developing asthma management programs through Medicaid. The initiative responds to the fact that the number of children afflicted with asthma has doubled to about 6 million over the past 15 years.

Bioterrorism Initiative

The President could announce a new budget initiative to protect the country from disease outbreaks due to bioterrorist attacks or bacterial strains that are resistant to treatment. The new program provides funding to establish a new disease surveillance system, train epidemic intelligence officers to identify and respond to attacks, develop a mass casualty emergency response system, maintaining a stockpile of pharmaceuticals, and develop new vaccines and antibiotics.

New Work Incentives Initiative for People with Disabilities

The President could announce a set of actions to enable people with disabilities to go to work. This package includes the Jeffords-Kennedy Work Incentives Improvement Act, which gives people with disabilities the option to buy into Medicaid and Medicare when they return to work; a tax credit for work-related expenses for people with disabilities; a new program to integrate local employment-related and support services for adults with disabilities; and new efforts to provide assisting technologies to people with disabilities. These announcements respond to recommendations included in the President's Task Force on Employment of Adults with Disabilities, and the disability community strongly supports the overall initiative. We may be able to coordinate the event with the bipartisan introduction of the Jeffords-Kennedy legislation.

Nursing Home Initiative

To preempt the release of a critical GAO report, the President could announce a new investment of over \$90 million dollars to implement effective nursing home enforcement tools and improved nursing home quality and safety standards. The package includes new federal legislation imposing civil and criminal penalties on nursing homes committing repeated and egregious violations of Medicare or Medicaid regulations, increased monitoring of facilities that are repeatedly in violation of quality standards, and a new national commission to study the quality of care providing in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Long Term Care Initiative

The President could announce new budget initiatives designed to address the growing national need for high quality long term care services. The package includes a multibillion dollar long term care tax credit and a program to provide support services for Americans who care for chronically ill or disabled family members or friends. This multi-faceted initiative addresses a growing problem of great importance to the aging community.

New Labeling Requirements for Over-The-Counter Drugs

The President could announce the release of a new regulation requiring pharmaceutical companies to label over-the-counter drugs in a way that is easy to read and understand, ensuring that millions of consumers understand how to take medications safely and effectively. Labels for over-the-counter drugs are now often impossible to read or understand, leading to real health hazards.

The regulation will be ready for release in January, but because it is not budget related, we can release it anytime.

Genetic Discrimination/Medical Records Privacy Initiatives

The President can challenge Congress to pass bipartisan legislation that ensures that insurers and employers do not use genetic information to discriminate against enrollees and employees. The President also can challenge Congress to pass legislation protecting the confidentiality of medical records -- and make clear that he will act administratively to do so if Congress fails to pass a bill in a timely manner.

Children's Health Insurance Outreach Initiative

The President could announce several new activities to identify and enroll eligible children in Medicaid or CHIP, including a national advertising campaign and 1-800 number and various private sector initiatives.

CRIME:

Crime Statistics and COPS II Launch

The President could announce his budget proposal for COPS II in a large ceremony with the law enforcement community. The President could hold this event on the same day as the release of the Justice Department's 1997 National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), which will show a continued decrease in crime rates to the lowest point since the survey first began. The new COPS

program will include continued funding for police officers and new funding for modern law enforcement technologies, crime prevention efforts, and a community-based prosecutors program. It also will include several gun proposals, which could be announced at the same time or split off for a separate event (see below).

"Zero Tolerance" for Drugs in Prisons

Following up on his directive calling for "zero tolerance" of drugs in prisons, the President could make a series of announcements reinforcing the Administration's strong commitment to using the coercive power of the criminal justice system to reduce drug use and crime. Specifically, he could announce: (1) The availability of up to \$50 million in FY 99 for prison drug testing/treatment, as a result of a provision in the recent budget deal that allows states to use their federal prison grants to drug test and treat prisoners/parolees; (2) \$200 million in additional funding for FY 2000 to support drug testing, treatment and sanctions throughout the criminal justice system; (3) \$4 million in grants to help keep drugs from being smuggled into prisons; and (4) a new report on drug testing and treatment that shows that more than 3/4 of prisoners have abused drugs in the past and that approximately 1/3 of state prisoners committed their crimes while under the influence of drugs.

Gun Show Recommendations and Other Gun Proposals

The President can announce his support for Administrative actions and legislation to crack down on the sale of guns at gun shows. The Attorney General and Treasury Secretary will submit their report of recommendations for cracking down on gun shows to the President by January 7. The President could hold an event where he announces new Administrative actions that follow the recommendations in the report and his support for legislation to combat the sale of guns at gun shows. At the same time, the President could announce other gun proposals in his new crime bill (see above).

WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES

Child Care Initiative

The President and First Lady could host a ceremony with child care advocates where the President previews the child care initiative in the State of the Union. This initiative is essentially identical to last year's proposal.

Equal Pay

The President could announce his budget proposals for the Administration to take action to strengthen and better enforce equal pay laws. The administrative package includes an education program for employees; new outreach and technical assistance to businesses; and new training for EEOC employees. Much of the program focuses on assisting women in non-traditional occupations such as construction, technology, and manufacturing.

Car Seat Announcement

The President could announce the final Department of Transportation rule for universal child safety seats. Under the new rule, every seat would be required to fit in every car the same way --

eliminating the current confusion caused by the existence of 100 kinds of child seats and 300 kinds of passenger vehicles. The National Highway Transportation Safety Administration estimates that 80 percent of the children strapped into safety seats are at risk because seats are improperly connected. Approximately 600 children under 5 years old are killed and more than 70,000 are injured in vehicle crashes every year. The new rule would make it easier for parents to use child safety seats properly and encourage greater use of child safety seats.

EDUCATION:

Ending Social Promotions

The President could visit a school system that is ending social promotion and roll out his FY2000 budget initiative to assist such schools by providing funds for afterschool programs. At this event, the President also could release a Department of Education Guide to Ending Social Promotions.

School Accountability

The President could roll out a proposal in the FY 2000 budget that will assist states and school districts to turn around failing schools. The new program will fund aggressive efforts to identify and intervene in (including by shutting down, if necessary) the worst schools across the country.

Class Size Reduction

The President could announce Department of Education guidance for states and school districts for reducing class size. The President could visit a school with large classes to dramatize how much we can help or a school with small classes to hear parents and teachers talk about how wonderful small classes are. If the President can travel, visiting a Tennessee school would underscore that this really works.

WELFARE:

Work Participation Rates and Welfare to Work Initiatives

The President could visit a welfare-to-work program or make an announcement from the White House on: (1) new state work participation rates, showing that almost all states are meeting the welfare law's single-parent requirements, although some are failing to meet the law's separate two-parent requirement (these rates, for July - September 1997, are the first available under the new welfare reform law); (2) new caseload data showing continuing declines; and (3) new data on the number of people who were on welfare in 1997 and working in March 1998. This event could also be used to: (4) preview Welfare-to-Work reauthorization, including Responsible Fatherhood Grants.

Child Support Law Enforcement Initiative and PSA

Unveil a new child support law enforcement initiative to double the number of prosecutions of egregious child support violators by providing resources to identify, investigate, and prosecute these cases. This effort will be part of a challenge to law enforcement in every state to join our national effort to ensure America's children receive the support that they need and deserve. At this event, the President could also unveil a new national public service announcement

underscoring fathers' responsibility to pay child support.

FOOD SAFETY:

Nationwide Crackdown on Food Safety

The President could announce his proposed budget initiative that would highlight safety standards and enforcement. Included in this initiative are (1) a repackaged and somewhat modified legislative proposal giving the FDA and USDA additional enforcement powers (e.g., mandatory recalls and civil penalties); (2) additional food-specific regulations and/or guidelines (e.g., for certain fruits and vegetables); and (3) more extensive adoption of our model codes for restaurants and food service workers. In addition, we will focus on improving coordination with state and local agencies that regulate food safety in order to develop a wholly integrated national inspection system.



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To: Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP
cc: Mary L. Smith/OPD/EOP
Subject: SOTU roll outs

My best roll outs/leaks would be the obvious:

1. Equal pay initiative
2. Food Safety Initiative
3. Native American Teachers Initiative
4. (Child safety Seats mid Jan is best)
5. The Consumer Research Center: Kathleen Begala is sending me a description of what we could say it will do.)

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*Mendelson's staff still doesn't want to do our homeless bump up, they have their own idea on selling the extra property that I mentioned to you and they seem worried a different package will jeopardize that effort.

* The muckety mucks seem into having Matt Shepard's parents at the SOTU.

* I gave Jose the gun detector material that the guy at DOJ was working on it sent me. Jose hates it.

I'm still tracking down some of the other consumer ideas to see if they have survived the budget fights.

POSSIBLE HEALTH CARE EVENTS

EARLY JANUARY

Unveil new FY 2000 budget anti-asthma initiative. We could unveil a new budget initiative that includes new funding for States to develop disease management programs through Medicaid and for EPA to conduct a national asthma awareness campaign, initiate community based activities to reduce asthma triggers in homes, and establish school based asthma programs in every community. This initiative is especially critical as the number of children afflicted with asthma has doubled to total about 6 million over the past 15 years.

Announcing new efforts to detect and manage bioterrorist attacks and resistant bacterial strains (superbug). The President could announce a new budget initiative to protect the country from the devastation of disease outbreaks due to bioterrorist attacks or bacterial strains that are resistant to treatment. The new program provides funding for a new disease surveillance system to collect and analyze epidemiological information on disease outbreaks, training epidemic intelligence officers to identify and respond to attacks, developing a mass casualty emergency response system, maintaining a stockpile of pharmaceuticals, and developing new vaccines and antibiotics that could be used in the event of an attack.

Announcing a new work incentives initiative for people with disabilities. The FY 2000 budget includes a historic workers incentive program that provides for continued and enhanced access to programs that empower people with disabilities to work. This package includes the Jeffords-Kennedy Work Incentives Improvement Act, which enables people with disabilities to go back to work by providing them with the option to buy into Medicaid and Medicare, a tax credit for work-related expenses for people with disabilities, a new program to integrate local employment-related and support services for adults with disabilities, and new efforts to provide assistive technologies to people with disabilities. The unemployment rate among the 30 million working-age adults with disabilities continues to be much higher than that of the general population -- close to 75 percent for people with significant disabilities, who cite their inability to retain their health coverage as their main impediment to returning to work. These announcements will reflect many of the recommendations included in the President's Task Force on Employment of Adults with Disabilities, and the overall initiative is strongly supported by the disability community. We may be able to coordinate the event with the bipartisan introduction of the Jeffords-Kennedy legislation.

MID JANUARY

Unveiling new sanctions and investments in quality oversight for nursing homes. To preempt the release of a GAO report in early January by Senator Grassley that criticizes our nursing home quality enforcement record, this event could highlight our aggressive efforts and a new investment of over \$90 million dollars to implement effective nursing home enforcement tools and improved nursing home quality and safety standards. These include proposing new Federal legislation imposing civil and criminal penalties on nursing homes committing repeated

and egregious violations of Medicare or Medicaid regulations, increasing monitoring of facilities that are repeatedly in violation of quality standards, and establishing a new national commission to study the quality of care providing in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Announce the President's multi-faceted long term care initiative. The President could release new budget initiatives designed to address the growing national need for high quality long term care services, including a new multibillion dollar long term care tax credit, proposals that provide Federal employees the option of purchasing private long term care insurance, educate Medicare beneficiaries about available long term care options, and invest \$125 million dollars (if included in budget) in a new national program to support Americans who care for chronically ill or disabled family members or friends. About 2 million Americans live in nursing homes and another 5 million Americans live in the community, but have health problems that make them dependent on others for basic activities of daily living, such as bathing or dressing. This multi-faceted initiative addresses a growing problem and represents our first significant effort to introduce new long term care policy that is extremely important to the aging community.

LATE JANUARY

Announcing new labeling requirements for over the counter drugs. The President could announce the release of a new regulation requiring pharmaceutical companies to label over the counter drugs in easily read and understandable language, ensuring that millions of consumers understand how to take medication safely and effectively. Presently, labels for over the counter drugs are often printed too small to read and in language that is often difficult to understand. This regulation will be ready for release in sometime in January; however, since the above mentioned initiatives are all budget related and may need to be released prior to the State of the Union address, we may want to consider holding this announcement for another time, since it will be timely regardless of when it is released.

Preventing genetic discrimination. The President can challenge the Congress to pass bipartisan legislation that ensures that insurers and employers do not inappropriately utilize genetic information to discriminate against enrollees and employees. Presently, Americans are not adequately protected against companies who use this information as an excuse to deny them employment. However, we may want to consider holding this announcement for another time, since it will be timely regardless of when it is released.

EARLY FEBRUARY

New children's health insurance outreach efforts. At this event, the President would announce several new activities to identify and enroll eligible children in Medicaid or CHIP, including launching a national ad campaign that includes a 1-800 number sponsored by the NGA and announce other private sector initiatives. Last year, we created a \$24 billion Children's Health Insurance Program -- the largest health expansion for children in 30 years. However, over 10 million children are eligible for either Medicaid or CHIP but unenrolled.

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NEC Tax Forms

December 16, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR BRUCE REED
 ELENA KAGAN

FROM: DPC STAFF

SUBJECT: DPC ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ① NURSING HOMES - event or leak
- DISABIL - event (Jan)
- BIOT or ASTHMA - leak
- ③ KIDS/VIOLENCE - event
- ② WR PARTIC - event or leak
- CRIME VICTIMS - start

- DRUGS ~~W/INTE~~
- FOOD SAFETY - leak

Following is a list of possible DPC announcements which you requested.

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Health Care -- Unveiling new sanctions and investments in quality oversight for nursing homes: To preempt the release of a GAO report in early January by Senator Grassley that criticizes our nursing home quality enforcement record, this event could highlight our aggressive efforts and a new investment of over \$90 million dollars to implement effective nursing home enforcement tools and improved nursing home quality and safety standards. These include proposing new Federal legislation imposing civil and criminal penalties on nursing homes committing repeated and egregious violations of Medicare or Medicaid regulations, increasing monitoring of facilities that are repeatedly in violation of quality standards, and establishing a new national commission to study the quality of care providing in nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

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Health Care -- Announcing a new work incentives initiative for people with disabilities: The FY 2000 budget includes a historic workers incentive program that provides for continued and enhanced access to programs that empower people with disabilities to work. This package includes the Jeffords-Kennedy Work Incentives Improvement Act, which enables people with disabilities to go back to work by providing them with the option to buy into Medicaid and Medicare, a tax credit for work-related expenses for people with disabilities, a new program to integrate local employment-related and support services for adults with disabilities, and new efforts to provide assistive technologies to people with disabilities. The unemployment rate among the 30 million working-age adults with disabilities continues to be much higher than that of the general population -- close to 75 percent for people with significant disabilities, who cite their inability to retain their health coverage as their main impediment to returning to work. These announcements will reflect many of the recommendations included in the President's Task Force on Employment of Adults with Disabilities, and the overall initiative is strongly supported by the disability community. We may be able to coordinate the event with the bipartisan introduction of the Jeffords-Kennedy legislation.

Health Care -- Announce the President's multi-faceted long term care initiative: The President could release new budget initiatives designed to address the growing national need for high quality long term care services, including a new multibillion dollar long term care tax credit, proposals that provide Federal employees the option of purchasing private long term care insurance, educate Medicare beneficiaries about available long term care options, and invest \$125 million dollars (if included in budget) in a new national program to support Americans who care for chronically ill or disabled family members or friends. About 2 million Americans live in nursing homes and another 5 million Americans live in the community, but have health problems that make them dependent on others for basic activities of daily living, such as bathing or dressing. This multi-faceted initiative addresses a growing problem and represents our first significant effort to introduce new long term care policy that is extremely important to the aging community.

Health Care -- Announcing new efforts to detect and manage bioterrorist attacks and resistant bacterial strains (superbug): The President could announce a new budget initiative to protect the country from the devastation of disease outbreaks due to bioterrorist attacks or bacterial strains that are resistant to treatment. The new program provides funding for a new disease surveillance system to collect and analyze epidemiological information on disease outbreaks, training epidemic intelligence officers to identify and respond to attacks, developing a mass casualty emergency response system, maintaining a stockpile of pharmaceuticals, and developing new vaccines and antibiotics that could be used in the event of an attack.

Health Care -- Unveil new FY 2000 budget anti-asthma initiative: We could unveil a new budget initiative that includes new funding for States to develop disease management programs through Medicaid and for EPA to conduct a national asthma awareness campaign, initiate community based activities to reduce asthma triggers in homes, and establish school based asthma programs in every community. This initiative is especially critical as the number of children afflicted with asthma has doubled to total about 6 million over the past 15 years.

Health Care -- Announcing new labeling requirements for over the counter drugs: The President could announce the release of a new regulation requiring pharmaceutical companies to label over the counter drugs in easily read and understandable language, ensuring that millions of consumers understand how to take medication safely and effectively. Presently, labels for over the counter drugs are often printed too small to read and in language that is often difficult to understand. This regulation will be ready for release in sometime in January; however, since the above mentioned initiatives are all budget related and may need to be released prior to the State of the Union address, we may want to consider holding this announcement for another time, since it will be timely regardless of when it is released.

Education -- Ending Social Promotions: We can release a guidebook from Education on ending social promotions, and announce our FY 2000 budget proposal to help schools do this with after-school money.

The guide is near completion, but not yet there, and Mike Smith and I have substantive differences in the tone and approach. Given the other things we are wrestling over, I'm not sure if we will get this done by the week between Christmas and New Years, but early-mid January is a good bet.

Education -- Implementation of New Education Initiatives: The grants announcements for GEAR UP and Teacher Quality (HEA Title II) are in OMB for review. The Guidance for Class Size implementation is in its second draft. These should be ready for announcement early-mid January.

Crime and Drugs -- Children Exposed to Violence Initiative: Each year millions of children are the victims of violent crime and child abuse, or are exposed to domestic violence -- and many of these kids grow up and victimize others themselves. To help break this cycle of violence, the President could announce the availability of \$10 million for 15 cities to help launch a new Administration initiative to improve the criminal justice system's response to child victims and witnesses. Led by the Deputy Attorney General, Eric Holder, this year-long effort would focus on the following areas:

- (1) Improved Law Enforcement, including specialized training to improve police and prosecutors' handling of child witnesses and victims; new "Court Schools" to facilitate children's interaction with the courts and reduce secondary victimization by the criminal justice system; more detailed reviews of child deaths; and the establishment of Crimes Against Children Units in prosecutors' offices.
- (2) New Legislative Reforms, including changes to federal and state laws dealing with felony murder/pattern of abuse statutes, child neglect and endangerment, penalties for committing crimes in the presence of children, sex offender notification, and other issues related to child victims and witnesses.
- (3) Targeted Violence Prevention/Intervention, including Child Development/Community Policing programs that link law enforcement with mental health professionals to focus on troubled kids; Child Advocacy Centers to promote a community-wide response to child victims and witnesses; and nurse home visitation programs designed to educate parents and reduce child abuse.
- (4) Increased Awareness of Child Victimization as a National Problem, including a DOJ-sponsored National Summit on Children Exposed to Violence; four regional forums to promote the recommendations from the Summit; and the involvement of prominent child advocates (i.e., Oprah Winfrey, Rob Reiner and others).

Crime and Drugs -- Drug Offender Accountability: Following up on his directive calling for "zero tolerance" of drugs in prisons, the President could make a series of announcements reinforcing the Administration's strong commitment to using the coercive power of the criminal

justice system to reduce drug use and crime. Specifically, he could make the following announcements:

(1) The availability of up to \$50 million in FY 99 for prison drug testing/treatment. As part of the recent budget deal, the Administration fought for and won the flexibility for states to use their federal prison grants to drug test and treat prisoners/parolees. A state-by-state break-out of this funding could be released, as well as the official solicitation for funds. Also, MD Governor Glendening or Lt. Gov. Kennedy-Townsend -- who already plan to use these funds to test parolees -- could attend and speak in support of this initiative.

(2) \$200 Million in additional funding for FY 2000. The FY 2000 budget will include \$200 million to support drug testing, treatment and sanctions throughout the criminal justice system, and this information could be leaked as part of -- or just prior to -- the event.

(3) \$4 Million for Drug Detection in Prisons. ONDCP is prepared to release \$4 million in grants for 8 states (MD, CA, AZ, AL, FL, NJ, NY and KS) to implement drug detection technologies to help keep drugs from being smuggled into prisons.

(4) Report on Drug Testing/Treatment. Although not yet final, the Justice Department is working on several related reports that might be ready for release at this event.

✓ **Crime and Drugs -- Crime Statistics:** The President could announce the release of the Justice Department's 1997 National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), which we expect to show a continued decrease in crime victimization rates. The NCVS measures overall victimizations reported by households, including violent crimes and property crimes. Last year's victimization rates were the lowest recorded since the inception of the survey 23 years ago; if the rates continue to decline -- as we expect -- they should hit record lows again. Also, we may be able to combine this with the release of \$16 million in COPS grants to hire over 200 officers. (NB: The timing for these announcements requires further coordination with Justice.)

Tobacco -- During Budget Rollout or State of the Union:

(1) Announce that we will seek to recover federal costs caused by tobacco, through our budget and through a federal lawsuit.

(2) Issue a directive to the Office of Personnel Management requiring enhanced coverage for federal employees of smoking cessation services, either by raising coverage limits (now only \$100 for most fee for service plans) or waiving deductible and copayments. At the same time, he could unveil his plans to provide improved smoking cessation services to veterans and members of the armed forces. New cessation coverage will be part of a comprehensive anti-tobacco plan to increase military readiness.

Welfare to Work -- Before Budget Rollout

✓ (1) Release new state work participation rate data showing that almost all states are meeting the welfare law's overall work requirement (requiring 25 percent of all welfare families with an adult to work), although some are failing to meet the law's separate two-parent requirement (requiring 75 percent of recipients in two parent households to work). These rates, for July - September 1997, are the first available under the new welfare reform law.

(2) Highlight new data showing more recipients are working now than before welfare reform (using data from the March 1998 CPS Census survey and/or state data comparing 1997 to past years).

During Budget Rollout or State of the Union

↖ (3) Unveil new caseload data showing the welfare rolls have fallen below 8 million (down from 14 million when the President took office and 12.2 million when he signed the bill into law).

→ (4) Announce that the Welfare to Work Partnership has met the President's challenge to sign up 10,000 businesses, and (possibly) that federal agencies have met the challenge to hire 10,000 welfare recipients -- ahead of the target date of 2000 (we'll know by the first week of January).

(5) Announce our proposal for \$1 billion more in Welfare-to-Work funds to help those welfare recipients still on the rolls and face the greatest challenges get jobs and succeed in the work force. This revised program will contain a new emphasis on increasing the employment of low income fathers so they can better meet their responsibilities to their children, with a minimum of \$150 million for Responsible Fatherhood Grants.

(6) Unveil a new child support law enforcement initiative to double the number of prosecutions of egregious child support violators by providing resources to identify, investigate, and prosecute these cases. This effort will be part of a challenge to law enforcement in every state to join our national effort to ensure America's children receive the support that they need and deserve.

(7) Unveil new national public service announcements underscoring fathers' responsibility to pay child support.

(8) Possibly release new 1998 figures showing additional increases in child support collections. (We do not have these data yet but are working on getting them by early January. These data will update our current statistics showing a 68 percent increase in child support collections since the President took office, which are based on 1997 data).

Post-State of the Union Amplification

(9) Announce the availability of funds for the third round of Welfare-to-Work Competitive grants, possibly including targeted funds for long term recipients with disabilities, low literacy skills or English as a Second Language, and/or substance abuse problems, using the opportunity to highlight the importance of the President's proposal for \$1 billion more for this program.

(10) Announce the competition for 50,000 new welfare-to-work housing vouchers, while highlighting the President's proposal for XX more. In October, the President signed into law funding for the 50,000 housing vouchers he'd pushed for in last year's budget and in late January HUD will be ready to release the request for local communities that want to compete for these vouchers.

(11) Announce the competition for \$10 million in funds for Individual Development Accounts while highlighting the President's proposal for more funds in his new budget. The Human Services Reauthorization bill signed by the President in late October authorized a five-year, \$125 million demonstration program to establish Individual Development Accounts to help low income families save for a first home, education and training, or to start a new business -- an effort the President called for in his 1992 campaign. However, the FY 1999 appropriations bill only funded \$10 million for this effort. HHS is required to announce the first grant competition by January 27th.

Children and Families -- Title IX: Same description as before. Can be ready at any time.

Children and Families -- After-School/Social Promotion: We could preview this budget announcement in January.

Children and Families -- Child Care/Families: We could preview the entire initiative in January.

Children and Families -- Kids Aging Out of Foster Care: We had hoped the First Lady would do an event announcing the new budget initiatives on independent living/transitional living/Medicaid for children aging out of the foster care system. We could do the event with the President in January.

Children and Families -- Mentoring Event: The First Lady is planning to do a mentoring event in which she would announce \$16 million in mentoring grants, release a report on the effectiveness of mentoring, as well as promote a new PSA campaign on mentoring. We are also exploring additional mentoring announcements from the Department of Education. This announcement will be ready around mid-January, and could be made by the President and First Lady in January.

Announcement Of Empowerment Zones Round II.

✓ **Food Safety Initiative.** Our joint initiative with HHS and USDA to improve federal, state, and local enforcement of food safety laws.

Equal Pay. Our \$30 million project to provide women with better information about their right to equal pay and companies with the technical assistance to help companies better comply with the law.

November 1998

* Presidential Calendar

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| <p>1</p> <p>Remarks to New Psalmist Baptist Church, Baltimore, MD Interview with April Ryan</p> <p>Afternoon & Evening Off</p> | <p>2</p> <p>Interviews (Tom Joyner/Hispanic Radio Conf. Call/Tavis Smiley of BET/Air - Amer. Cable)</p> <p>Foreign Policy Meeting</p> <p>Parents Bill of Rights Event</p> <p>Evening Off</p> <p>Tent Comes Up</p> | <p>3</p> <p>Economic Team Meeting</p> <p>Evening Off</p> <p>Election Day</p> | <p>4</p> <p>Down Until 10:00am</p> <p>Hold 1 Hour</p> <p>Social Security Meeting</p> <p>Working Visit with PM Dvorzich of Slovenia (30 minutes)</p> <p>VP Lunch</p> <p>M&MFD Departure Photos</p> <p>Evening Off</p> | <p>5</p> <p>Congressional Meeting</p> <p>Medals of Arts & Humanities Ceremony</p> <p>Meeting w/Steel Executives</p> <p>Videos</p> <p>Medals of Arts & Humanities Dinner</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Tape Radio Address</p> <p>Bill Signings (Auto Heritage)</p> <p>Central Hall Ball Summer Event</p> <p>Northwest Regional Airport Dedication Ceremony, Springdale, AR</p> <p>Dinner, Fayetteville, AR</p> <p>RONDC</p> <p>Unemployment #s Released</p> | <p>7</p> <p>Camp David, MD</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> <p>RGN Camp David, MD</p> <p>Tent Comes Down</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>8</p> <p>Camp David, MD</p> <p>RGN Camp David, MD</p> | <p>9</p> <p>Return to DC</p> <p>Down Until 5:30pm</p> <p>NCAA Basketball Champions Event</p> <p>Hold Evening</p> | <p>10</p> <p>Address President's Report Council</p> <p>Budget Review Meeting</p> <p>Drop-by Meeting with Dalai Lama</p> <p>Drop-by COS Cabinet Meeting</p> <p>Foreign Policy Meeting</p> <p>Evening Off</p> | <p>11</p> <p>Veterans Day Breakfast</p> <p>Bill Signing (Vet. Benefits)</p> <p>Arlington Cemetery Veterans Day Event</p> <p>Afternoon & Evening Off</p> <p>Veterans Day</p> | <p>12</p> <p>After-School Care Checkup Event</p> <p>Bill Signing (TR Medal of Honor)</p> <p>Budget Review Meeting (1 Hour)</p> <p>Hold 1 Hour</p> <p>Evening Off</p> | <p>13</p> <p>Intern Photo</p> <p>Crime Event (Bill Signings)</p> <p>Tape Radio Address</p> <p>Trip Briefing with Mrs. Gore</p> <p>Congressional Reception</p> | <p>14</p> <p>Foreign Policy Meeting</p> <p>Evening Off</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>15</p> <p>Foreign Policy Statement</p> <p>Afternoon & Evening Off</p> <p>International Day of Prayer</p> | <p>16</p> <p>Down Until 2:45pm</p> <p>Statement on Tobacco Settlement</p> <p>Evening Off</p> | <p>17</p> <p>Economic Briefing/Foreign Trip Briefing</p> <p>Evening Off</p> <p>APEC Meeting, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia</p> | <p>18</p> <p>Departure Statement</p> <p>Depart for Foreign Travel</p> <p>Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>RGN Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>FLOTUS Foreign Travel</p> | <p>19</p> <p>Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>RGN Tokyo, Japan</p> | <p>20</p> <p>Tokyo, Japan</p> <p>Seoul, Republic of Korea</p> <p>Tape Radio Address</p> <p>RGN Seoul, Republic of Korea</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Seoul, Republic of Korea</p> <p>RGN Seoul, Republic of Korea</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>22</p> <p>Seoul, Republic of Korea</p> <p>Military Sites (KTC & Osan Air Base), Republic of Korea</p> <p>RGN Seoul, Republic of Korea</p> <p>FLOTUS Foreign Travel</p> | <p>23</p> <p>Depart en route Guam</p> <p>Guam</p> <p>RGN DC</p> | <p>24</p> <p>Down Until 12:00pm</p> <p>Turkey Presentation Ceremony</p> <p>Drop-by Adoption Event</p> <p>Budget Review Meeting (1 Hour)</p> <p>SQU Meeting</p> <p>Drop-by Nobel Laureates Reception</p> <p>Evening Off</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Depart for Camp David, MD (AM)</p> <p>RGN Camp David, MD</p> | <p>26</p> <p>Camp David, MD</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> <p>RGN Camp David, MD</p> <p>Thanksgiving</p> | <p>27</p> <p>Camp David, MD</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> <p>Tape Radio Address (World AIDS Day)</p> <p>RGN Camp David, MD</p> | <p>28</p> <p>Camp David, MD</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> <p>RGN Camp David, MD</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>29</p> <p>Camp David, MD</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> <p>RGN TBD</p> | <p>30</p> <p>Electronic Commerce Event</p> <p>Working Visit with President Chissano of Mozambique</p> <p>Meeting with Chairman Arafat (T)</p> <p>Hold 1 Hour (T)</p> <p>WETA In-Performance</p> | <p>October</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>11</td><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td></tr> <tr><td>18</td><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td></tr> <tr><td>25</td><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td></tr> </table> | | S | M | T | W | T | F | S | | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | <p>December</p> <table border="1"> <tr><td>S</td><td>M</td><td>T</td><td>W</td><td>T</td><td>F</td><td>S</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>8</td><td>9</td><td>10</td><td>11</td></tr> <tr><td>12</td><td>13</td><td>14</td><td>15</td><td>16</td><td>17</td><td>18</td></tr> <tr><td>19</td><td>20</td><td>21</td><td>22</td><td>23</td><td>24</td><td>25</td></tr> <tr><td>26</td><td>27</td><td>28</td><td>29</td><td>30</td><td>31</td><td></td></tr> </table> | | S | M | T | W | T | F | S | | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | |
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| <p>6</p> <p>Day Off WH Reception for Kennedy Center Honors Holiday Photo Social Aide Photo Kennedy Center Honors</p> | <p>7 DRUGS</p> <p>Down Until 12:00pm Minimum Wage Event Budget Review Meeting (1 Hour) SOU Meeting (T) Videos (T) Congressional Hall</p> | <p>8</p> <p>WH Conference on Social Security Drop-by Peace Links Dinner, DC NDI Dinner, DC</p> | <p>9</p> <p>WH Conference on Social Security Pageant of Peace Holiday Receptions (2)</p> | <p>10 CHILD SAFETY</p> <p>COMPASSION FOR AMERICA VP Lunch Human Rights Day Photo-op (T) Budget Review Meeting (90 minutes) Hold 1 Hour Evening Off Tent Goes Up Human Rights Day</p> | <p>11</p> <p>Possible Press Conference (T) Central American Donors Conference (T) Tape Radio Address (Mid-East Trip) Briefing for Foreign Trip Evening Off</p> | <p>12</p> <p>Depart for Foreign Travel (@ 6:00am) Hold for Foreign Travel</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>13</p> <p>First Night of Hanukkah</p> | <p>14</p> <p>Hold for Foreign Travel</p> | <p>15</p> | <p>16</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> | <p>17 Y2K</p> <p>CHRISTMAS EVE PARTY VP Lunch Budget Review Meeting (2 Hours) Hold 1 Hour Special Olympics Dinner & Performance</p> | <p>18</p> <p>USEU Summit at the White House Budget Review Meeting (1 Hour) HIV/AIDS Council Meeting AR/IN Dinner, DC</p> | <p>19 AIRLINE SAFETY</p> <p>Live Radio Address (Y2K) Afternoon Off Holiday Dinner</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>20</p> <p>Morning Off Holiday Receptions (2) Evening Off</p> | <p>21</p> <p>Pan Am 103 Anniversary Event, Arlington Cemetery Possible Service Event (Shelby Visit) (T) Holiday Press Event First Day of Winter</p> | <p>22</p> <p>Children's Christmas Reading Event HMX-1 Christmas Card Presentation (T) Holiday Receptions (2) (T)</p> | <p>23</p> <p>Day Off Residence Staff Reception Tent Comes Down</p> | <p>24</p> <p>Day & Evening Off Tape Radio Address Christmas Eve Phone Calls to Troops</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Day & Evening Off Christmas</p> | <p>26</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3 Hold for Vacation | 4 Evening Off | 5 Evening Off | 6 Meeting w/Labor Leaders (T) Thinker's Dinner (T) House/Senate Convene | 7 VP Lunch Hold 1 Hour Evening Off | 8 Tape Radio Address Arkansas State Party Event, Little Rock, AR (T) RON Little Rock, AR (T) Unemployment #s Released | 9 Morning Down, Little Rock, AR (T) Hope Dedication, Hope, AR (T) Sandlin Dinner, Texarkana, TX (T) RON Little Rock, AR (T) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 Day Off, Little Rock, AR (T) RON DC | 11 SOU Prep (T) Evening Off | 12 Hold for State Visit (T) | 13 Down Until 12 00pm SOU Prep (T) Evening Off | 14 SOU Prep (T) VP Lunch Hold 1 Hour Evening Off | 15 SOU Prep (T) Tape Radio Address DNC Dinner/Concert, DC MLK Jr's B-Day | 16 Day & Evening Off (T) SOU Prep (T) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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MESSAGE SCHEDULE

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| November 30 | Electronic Commerce Event |
| December 1 | World AIDS Day Event (T) |
| December 2 | Democratic Leadership Meeting DLC Leadership Dinner |
| December 3 | Bipartisan Patients Bill of Rights Event |
| December 4 | Statement (Job #s) OR Possible Press Conference (T) Tape Radio Address (Drunk Driving Prevention) |
| December 7 | Minimum Wage Event |
| December 8 | WH Conference on Social Security |
| December 9 | WH Conference on Social Security Pageant of Peace |
| December 10 | Campaign Finance Event (T) |
| December 11 | Central American Leaders Meeting/ Donors Conference OR Possible Press Conference (T) Tape Radio Address (Middle East Trip) |
| December 12 - December 15 | Middle East Trip |
| December 16 | No Message Opportunity |
| December 17 | Child Safety Event (T) |
| December 18 | US-EU Summit at the White House HIV/AIDS Council Meeting |
| December 19 | Live Radio Address (Y2K) |
| December 21 | Pan Am 103 Anniversary Event, Arlington Cemetery Possible Service Event (Shelter Visit) (T) |
| December 22 | Children's Christmas Reading Event |
| December 23 - January 4 | VACATION |

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 23, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

CC: ANN LEWIS
STEPHANIE STREETT

FROM: BRUCE REED

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE POLICY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following is a list of possible DPC announcements that reflects our discussions last week.

NOVEMBER:

November 24 **Adoption Registry**

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DECEMBER:

December 1 **School Modernization and Class Size Meeting with Members of Congress**

The President could meet with Democratic Members of Congress to discuss the importance of working together on enacting school modernization and expanding the effort to reduce class size. At this meeting, the President could highlight all of the funding going out to states in the coming months on class size and other initiatives passed in the last budget.

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After the Republican leadership completes its meetings on committee assignments in December, the President could host a bipartisan meeting with members of Congress committed to passing a strong, enforceable patients' bill of rights. At this meeting, all sides would affirm that they could pass a bill this year and that all

issues, including those associated with enforcement, could be resolved. This meeting would be held to show the momentum this legislation now has across party lines. **(December 3 or date when most Republican Members could attend.)**

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The President could host a White House meeting of bipartisan sponsors of campaign finance reform legislation, which would include Senators McCain and Feingold and Representatives Shays and Meehan. The purpose of the event would be to underscore the President's commitment to enact bipartisan campaign finance reform by next year. The President could highlight examples of excessive campaign spending throughout the country in this past election. **(Depends on Members schedules.)**

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or 17

The President could announce the final Department of Transportation rule for universal child safety seats. Under the new rule, every seat would be required to fit in every car the same way -- eliminating the current confusion caused by the existence of 100 kinds of child seats and 300 kinds of passenger vehicles. The National Highway Transportation Safety Administration estimates that 80 percent of the children strapped into safety seats are at risk because seats are improperly connected. Approximately 600 children under 5 years old are killed and more than 70,000 are injured in vehicle crashes every year. The new rule would make it easier for parents to use child safety seats properly and encourage greater use of child safety seats. **(Ready mid-December.)**

December 17 Dangerous Toys Initiative

The President could announce the list of 15 toys and child items that have been officially recalled because of safety hazards. The President would call on parents to remove the toys from their homes before the holidays as part of the Consumer Product Safety Commission's "Toy Recall Round-up."

(If the President is unable to do this event before Christmas, it could be a good option for the First Lady or Vice President.)

December 21 FDA Regulation on Over-the-Counter Drug Labeling

The President could announce the release of a final regulation requiring all over-the-counter drugs to bear easily readable and comprehensible labels. We would have to push HHS and OMB hard to announce this regulation in December, but we might be able to get it done by the end of the month. Such an announcement would have the support of both the pharmaceutical community and consumer groups, which would portray it as an important accomplishment. **(Late December.)**

December 22- **Drunk Driving Announcement**

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The President could meet with leaders of the highway safety community (MADD, SADD, etc.) to sign a Presidential Proclamation declaring December to be Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month, announce the availability of Department of Justice grants of \$12 million to states to combat underage drinking, and release public service announcements warning against drunk driving during the holidays and reminding drivers of the importance of seat belts. **(Anytime in December. The Department of Transportation is holding a press conference on Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention on December 18.)**

There are several relatively small budget initiatives that we may want to roll out prior to the State of the Union. These options include:

- **Superbug Initiative**
Resistance to antibiotics is becoming a public health crisis, causing prolonged illnesses and even death. A new initiative, costing about \$25 million each year, could address this problem through: (1) a major outreach and education campaign involving hospitals, health professionals, and managed care organizations; and (2) new research and surveillance efforts to understand where and why antibiotic resistance occurs and to develop effective responses. **(Pending budget decision.)**
- **Asthma Initiative**
The President could announce a concerted fight against asthma, which has become a national epidemic affecting the lives of 15 million Americans. The principal goal of this program would be to reduce by half the number of children who die or suffer activity limitations because of this disease. The new FY2000 budget proposal would expand existing pilot programs that have had demonstrated success in preventing, managing, and understanding asthma. The President could also release an interagency report on best practices and strategies to address asthma. **(Requires budget decision.)**
- **Bioterrorism Initiative**
The President could announce a new proposal to detect and manage bioterrorism. Bioterrorism is becoming an increasing threat that has the potential to injure or kill millions of Americans through deadly diseases, such as smallpox. The President's initiative would equip the nation's public health system to detect and respond to this potential problem. This initiative would: train epidemic intelligence officers who can coordinate with state health departments to identify and respond to attacks; develop a mass casualty emergency response system that includes primary care, emergency transportation, and decontamination abilities; create and maintain a stockpile of pharmaceuticals; and improve research to develop new vaccines and antibiotics to be used in the event of an attack. **(Pending budget decision.)**

- Nationwide Crackdown on Food Safety**
 The President could announce a proposed budget initiative that would highlight safety standards and enforcement. Included in this initiative are (1) a repackaged and somewhat modified legislative proposal giving the FDA and USDA additional enforcement powers (e.g., mandatory recalls and civil penalties); (2) additional food-specific regulations and/or guidelines (e.g., for certain fruits and vegetables); and (3) more extensive adoption of our model codes for restaurants and food service workers. In addition, we will focus on improving coordination with state and local agencies that regulate food safety in order to develop a wholly integrated national inspection system. **(Ready, depending on budget decisions.)**
- Expansion of Values-Based Crime Prevention Initiative**
 Recognizing the important role that civic, community, and faith-based organizations can play in reducing crime, the President announced last July grants for community-based collaboratives, including religiously-affiliated organizations, to target youth violence, gangs, truancy, and other juvenile problems by promoting common-sense values and responsibility. To build on this effort, the President could commit to a series of new grants to support values-based crime prevention efforts, and urge Congress to endorse and increase federal funding for such programs. The President could also highlight the efforts of Rev. Eugene Rivers of Boston, who inspired the President to develop this initiative and has organized a National 10-Point Leadership Foundation to mobilize 1,000 black churches in 40 cities to help at-risk kids in the 50 worst neighborhoods. **(Pending budget decisions.)**

Following is a list of policy announcements that are under development. We are preparing to have these announcements ready for message openings that arise in December.

- "Zero Tolerance" for Drugs in Prisons**
 The recently passed omnibus appropriations bill includes an important provision that would allow states to use up to 10 percent of their prison funds to test and, if necessary, treat prisoners and parolees for drug use. To highlight this accomplishment, the President could join the Attorney General, General McCaffrey, and a group of Governors in issuing new guidelines to ensure that states use their funds effectively to promote this new "zero tolerance" policy. **(Ready mid December)**
- Fighting Homelessness**
 A number of homeless organizations hold events throughout the country (including in D.C.) on December 20 to highlight the problem of homelessness. The President could announce \$700 million in HUD Homeless Assistance Grants that will be granted to 300 communities and states to help homeless individuals find jobs and

achieve self-sufficiency. Individuals who have benefited from this initiative and graduated to self-sufficiency could participate in this event. **(December 20th)**

- **Title IX Executive Order**

The President could sign an executive order as early as next week prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in education programs conducted by the federal government. This includes schools operated by the Defense Department for military dependents, schools operated by the Department of the Interior for Native Americans, and numerous training and educational programs run by federal departments. This is a follow up to an Executive Memorandum the President issued last year asking the Department of Justice to lead an effort to identify all federally-conducted education programs and to recommend appropriate action to end discrimination. **(Ready)**

- **Family Report**

The President could announce the findings of a new report by the CEA detailing changes in the last thirty years in family life. The report will show the increased number of women in the workplace, and detail the diminished amount of time families have to spend with their children. **(Ready mid December)**

- **Work Participation Rates**

The President could visit a welfare-to-work program and announce: (1) new state work participation rates, showing that almost all states are meeting the welfare law's single-parent requirements, although some are failing to meet the law's separate two-parent requirement; (2) new caseload data showing continuing declines; and (3) new data on the number of people who were on welfare in 1997 and working in March 1998. **(Ready in mid December.)**

- **Welfare to Work Housing Vouchers**

The Congress approved in the VA/HUD appropriations bill full funding for the President's request for 50,000 welfare-to-work housing vouchers. The President could hold an event announcing the opening of the first competition for these vouchers. These are the first housing vouchers ever to be linked to welfare reform; they will improve the way welfare, employment, and housing agencies work together. **(Ready mid December.)**

Summary:

I. Tentatively Scheduled:

- November 22 FBI Crime Statistics
- November 24 Adoption Registry
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- December 10 Campaign Finance Reform Event
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II. Pre-State of the Union Budget Items:

- Superbug Initiative
- Asthma Initiative
- Bioterrorism Initiative
- Nationwide Crackdown on Food Safety
- Expansion of Values-Based Crime Prevention Initiative

III. Other Options for December:

- Labor Department Amicus Brief to Supreme Court Regarding Health Insurance Remedies
- "Zero Tolerance" for Drugs in Prisons
- Homelessness Assistance Grants
- World AIDS Day
- Title IX Executive Order
- Family Report
- Work Participation Rates
- Welfare to Work Housing Vouchers
- Food Stamp Fraud Directives

November 16, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR DOUG SOSNIK AND PAUL BEGALA

CC: ANN LEWIS
STEPHANIE STREETT

FROM: BRUCE REED

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE POLICY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Following is a list of possible DPC announcements that reflects our discussions at the end of last week.

NOVEMBER:

November 22 FBI Crime Statistics

The final 1997 FBI Unified Crime Report data will be released on Sunday, November 22, demonstrating further that crime has decreased dramatically under the President's watch. The President should issue a written statement on that Sunday. (Ready)

November 24 Adoption Registry

The President could join the First Lady in calling for an Internet-based national registry of children in foster care waiting to be adopted. Prospective adoptive parents will be able to visit the site and meet these waiting children. The registry will cost between \$1-2 million and will be funded through the Adoption Opportunities Grants, which are a part of the President's Adoption 2002 Initiative – an effort to double the number of children adopted from the public child welfare system by the 2002. November is National Adoption Month, and it is exactly one-year since the President signed the landmark Adoption and Safe Families Act. (The First Lady is planning to make this announcement on November 24.)

DECEMBER:

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The President could meet with democratic Members of Congress to discuss the importance of working together on enacting school modernization and expanding the effort to reduce class size. This would be an opportunity to highlight the united commitment among Members of Congress and the President on school Modernization and Class Size. In addition, this is an opportunity to highlight all

of the funding going out to states in the coming months on class size and other initiatives that passed in the last budget.

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After the Republican leadership completes its meetings on committee assignments in December, the President could host a bipartisan meeting with members of Congress committed to passing a strong, enforceable patients' bill of rights. At this meeting, all sides would affirm they are confident that they could pass this bill next year and that all issues, including those associated with enforcement, could be resolved. This meeting would be held to specifically illustrate the momentum this legislation now has and the inevitability of its passage.
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(If the President is unable to do this event before Christmas, it could be a good option for the First Lady or Vice President.)
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In concert with or soon after Jane Henney is sworn in as the next FDA

Commissioner, we could hold an event around the release of a final regulation requiring all over the counter drugs to be labeled in a user friendly manner. HHS and OMB would have to be pushed aggressively to finalize work on this regulation, but it could be ready late in December. Such an announcement would have the support of the pharmaceutical community as well as consumers, and would represent an important breakthrough for those in need to readable, easy to understand usage and compliance information for important medications. (Late December.)

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The President could meet with leaders of the highway safety community (MADD, SADD, etc.) and sign the Presidential Proclamation declaring December, 1988 Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month. The President may also be able to announce the availability of Department of Justice grants of \$12 million to states to combat underage drinking. The President could tape a Public Service Announcement warning against drunk driving during the holidays that can be released at this event in addition to new PSAs the Department of Transportation about the importance of seat belts. (Anytime in December. The Department of Transportation is holding a press conference on Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention on December 18.)

There are several smaller initiatives that we may want to consider rolling out prior to the State of the Union that would depend on budget decisions. These options include:

- **Superbug Initiative**

Recent reports have indicated that resistance to anti-biotics is becoming a major public health crisis, causing prolonged illnesses and even death. For example, pneumonia, which impact over 500,000 Americans each year, is becoming resistance to most antibiotics and staph, the most common hospital-based infection, is now only responding to the strongest drug available and some people are even starting to show resistance to this drug. Experts believe that this critical public health problem is on track to affect more and more viruses. To reduce this problem, the President could: (1) launch a new budget initiative to enable experts to obtain critical information about which viruses are likely to become resistant and why; (2) launch a major education campaign to inform health providers and professionals about how to prescribe drugs more appropriately and increase the use of vaccines to reduce the likelihood that diseases will become resistant; and (3) fund community-based demonstrations to examine how best to implement prevention efforts. (Pending budget decision.)

- **Asthma Initiative**

The President could announce a concerted fight against asthma, which has become a national epidemic impacting the lives of 15 million Americans. The initial goals of this program will be to halt the increase in asthma, reduce by half the number of children who die or suffer activity limitations because of this disease, and limit the disproportionate impact of asthma on minority

communities. The President could announce new FY2000 budget proposals to expand programs that have had demonstrated success on a pilot basis in preventing, managing, and understanding asthma. The President could also release an interagency report on best practices and strategies to address asthma. **(Requires budget decision.)**

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The President could announce a new proposal to detect and manage bioterrorism. Bioterrorism is becoming an increasing threat that has the potential to injure or kill millions of Americans through deadly diseases, such as smallpox. While law enforcement and intelligence agencies seek to thwart these kinds of attacks, when prevention fails, we need a system in place that is prepared to manage and minimize the public health consequences. The President's initiative would equip the nation's public health system to both detect and respond to this potential problem. This initiative would: train epidemic intelligence officers who can coordinate with state health departments and other intelligence officers to identify and respond to attacks; develop a Metropolitan Medical Response System, a mass casualty emergency response system, that includes primary care, emergency transportation, and decontamination abilities that will be critical to save lives in the event of an attack; create and maintain a stockpile of pharmaceuticals, that would be critical in the event of a bioterrorist attack that could expose hundreds of thousands of Americans to a disease. Current stockpiles contain many inactive antibiotics and are inadequate to address a major outbreak. The President's initiative would improve research to develop new vaccines and antibiotics that will can be used in the event of an attack. **(Pending budget decision.)**

- **Nationwide Crackdown on Food Safety**

The President could announce a new \$87 million budget proposal to crackdown on food safety nationally and a proposed legislative package to give authority to USDA to issue recalls of unsafe food and impose civil fines. In addition, the President would urge states to adopt his model food code for retailers, providing incentives and disincentives for states to adopt to the code. **(Ready, depending on budget decisions.)**

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Recognizing the important role that civic, community, and faith-based organizations can play in reducing crime, this past July the President announced a \$2.2 million in grants available for 16 community-based collaboratives, including religiously-affiliated organizations, to target youth violence, gangs, truancy, and other juvenile problems by promoting common-sense values and responsibility. To build on this effort, the President could commit to a series of new grants to support values-based crime prevention efforts, and urge Congress to endorse and increase federal funding for such programs. The President could also highlight the efforts of Rev. Eugene Rivers of Boston, who inspired the President to

develop this initiative and has organized a National 10-Point Leadership Foundation to mobilize 1,000 black churches in 40 cities to help at-risk kids in the 50 worst neighborhoods. **(Pending budget decisions.)**

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The President would commemorate the 10th anniversary of World AIDS Day by meeting with youth peer educators from HIV prevention programs, HIV positive youth, and involved parents, and then signing the World AIDS Day Proclamation. The President may also be able to announce new policy initiatives at this time. World AIDS Day is sponsored by the World Health Organization and this year's theme is, "Force for Change: World AIDS Campaign with Young People." In recent years, there has been a significant shift in the demographics of the AIDS

epidemic, with new infections in youth rising dramatically. Today, one out of every four new infections in the United States is an adolescent. Every hour another two teenagers are infected. To commemorate World AIDS Day, the President has a unique opportunity to call on parents, teachers, governments, churches, businesses, and young people themselves to build a healthy future for our youth. **(World AIDS Day is December 1, 1998)**

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- **Food Stamp Fraud Directives**

The President could sign three directives to crack down on food stamp fraud: (1) The President would direct the Social Security Administration to share its death records with the Food Stamp agency to ensure that Food Stamp recipients who die are immediately removed from the rolls; (2) The President would direct USDA to

develop a plan to create an interstate matching system to ensure Food Stamp recipients are not receiving benefits in multiple states; and (3) The President would direct Treasury to collect (through offset of federal payments and other means) unpaid fines owed by retailers that have violated Food Stamp rules, such as exchanging Food Stamps for cash. The first two directives will build on the Lugar legislation that passed at the end of the session. **(Ready)**

November 1998

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| <p>1</p> <p>Remarks to New Pastoral Baptist Church, Baltimore, MD Interview with April Ryan</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Afternoon & Evening Off</p> | <p>2</p> <p>Interviews (Tom Joyner/Hispanic Radio Conf. Call/Tavis Smiley of BET/Afr.-Amer. Celebs) Foreign Policy Meeting <i>Patients Bill of Rights Event</i> Evening Off</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Tent Goes Up</p> | <p>3</p> <p>Economic Team Meeting Evening Off</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Election Day</p> | <p>4</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Down Until 10:00am</p> <p>Hold 1 Hour <i>Social Security Meeting</i> Working Visit with PM Drnovsek of Slovenia (30 minutes) VP Lunch ML/PPD Department Photos Evening Off</p> | <p>5</p> <p><i>Congressional Meeting</i> Medals of Arts & Humanities Ceremony Meeting w/Steel Executives Videos Medals of Arts & Humanities Dinner</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Tape Radio Address Bill Signings (Auto Heritage) <i>Central Bank Bill Signing Event</i> <i>Northwest Regional Airport Dedication Ceremony, Springdale, AR</i> <i>EMERGENCY, SPRINGDALE, AR</i> RON DC</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Unemployment #s Released</p> | <p>7</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Camp David, MD</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Day & Evening Off</p> <p>RON Camp David, MD</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Tent Comes Down</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>22</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Seoul, Republic of Korea</p> <p>Military Sites (KTC & Osan Air Base), Republic of Korea RON Seoul, Republic of Korea (T)</p> | <p>23</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Depart en route Guam</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Guam</p> <p>RON DC</p> | <p>24</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Down Until 12:00pm</p> <p><i>Turkey Presentation Ceremony</i> Drop-by Adoption Event Budget Review Meeting (1 Hour) SOU Meeting Drop-by Nobel Laureate Meeting (T) Evening Off</p> | <p>25</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Day & Evening Off</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Depart for Camp David, MD (AM)</p> <p>RON Camp David, MD (T)</p> | <p>26</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Camp David, MD (T)</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Day & Evening Off</p> <p>RON Camp David, MD (T)</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Thanksgiving</p> | <p>27</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Camp David, MD (T)</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Day & Evening Off</p> <p>Tape Radio Address RON Camp David, MD (T)</p> | <p>28</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Camp David, MD (T)</p> <p style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Day & Evening Off</p> <p>RON Camp David, MD (T)</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 3 Hold for Vacation | 4 | 5 | 6 Thinker's Dinner (T) | 7 | 8 Arkansas State Party Event, Little Rock, AR (T) RON Little Rock, AR (T) | 9 Morning Down, Little Rock, AR (T) Hope Dedication, Hope, AR (T) Sandlot Dinner, Texarkana, AR (T) RON Little Rock, AR (T) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 Day Off, Little Rock, AR (T) RON DC | 11 | 12 Diplomatic Corps Reception (T) | 13 | 14 Hold for State Visit | 15 DNC Dinner/Concert, DC (T) MLK Jr.'s B-Day | 16 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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November 12, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

CC: MARIA ECHAVESTE
ANN LEWIS
STEPHANIE STREETT

FROM: BRUCE REED

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE POLICY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Following is a list of possible DPC announcements the President could make during the months of November and December.

CRIME:

November 22 **FBI Crime Statistics**

The final 1997 FBI Unified Crime Report data will be released on Sunday, November 22, demonstrating further that crime has decreased dramatically under the President's watch. The President should issue a written statement on that Sunday. (Ready)

December **"Zero Tolerance" for Drugs in Prisons**

The recently passed omnibus appropriations bill includes an important provision that would allow states to use up to 10% of their prison funds to drug test and, if necessary, treat prisoners and parolees. This policy change, which the President called for in a directive to the Attorney General last January, was strongly opposed by Republicans and represents another victory for the President in the recent budget battle. To highlight this accomplishment, the President could join the Attorney General, General McCaffrey and perhaps group of Governors in issuing new guidelines to ensure that the states use their funds to promote this new "zero tolerance" policy. (Ready in Mid December)

January **Expansion of Values-Based Crime Prevention Initiative**

Recognizing the important role that civic, community, and faith-based organizations can play in reducing crime, this past July the President announced a \$2.2 million in grants available for 16 community-based collaboratives, including religiously-affiliated organizations, to target youth violence, gangs, truancy, and other juvenile problems by promoting common-sense values and responsibility. To

build on this effort, the President could commit to a series of new grants to support values-based crime prevention efforts, and urge Congress to endorse and increase federal funding for such programs. The President could also highlight the efforts of Rev. Eugene Rivers of Boston, who inspired the President to develop this initiative and has organized a National 10-Point Leadership Foundation to mobilize 1,000 black churches in 40 cities to help at-risk kids in the 50 worst neighborhoods. **(Pending budget decisions.)**

February

Youth Crime Gun Interdiction Initiative

The President could highlight the success of his innovative Youth Crime Gun Interdiction Initiative (YCGII), which has been ongoing for two years in 27 cities, by announcing: (1) the release of the second annual report on the YCGII, which will provide new data on guns used in crimes and demonstrate the success of the YCGII; (2) the availability of funds to hire new ATF agents to investigate gun trafficking in these 27 cities; and (3) a proposal to dramatically expand the YCGII to 20 new cities which was just provided for in the recent omnibus appropriations bill. **(Ready February 9, 1999)**

WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES:

November

Title IX Executive Order

The President could sign an executive order as early as next week prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in education programs conducted by the federal government. This includes schools operated by the Defense Department for military dependents, schools operated by the Department of the Interior for Native Americans, and numerous training and educational programs run by federal departments. This is a follow up to an Executive Memorandum the President issued last year asking the Department of Justice to lead an effort to identify all federally-conducted education programs and to recommend appropriate action to end discrimination. **(Ready)**

November 24

Adoption Registry

The President could join the First Lady in calling for an internet-based national registry of children in foster care waiting to be adopted. Prospective adoptive parents will be able to visit the site and meet these waiting children. The registry, to cost between \$1-2 million, will be funded through the Adoption Opportunities Grants, which are a part of the President's Adoption 2002 Initiative -- an effort to double the number of children adopted from the public child welfare system by the 2002. November is National Adoption Month, and is exactly one-year since the President signed the landmark Adoption and Safe Families Act. **(The First Lady is planning to make this announcement on November 24.)**

December

Family Report

The President could announce the findings of a new report by the CEA detailing changes in the last thirty years in family life. The report will show the increased numbers of women in the workplace, and detail the diminished amount of time

families have to spend with their children. **(Ready Mid-December)**

December **Foster Care Emancipation Initiative**

The President could announce an executive memorandum and preview his FY 2000 budget request to support young people who "age out" of the foster care system. When young people in foster care turn 18, their federal maintenance payments end and they begin an often difficult transition to independence. The President would sign an executive memorandum that would target existing programs to support this vulnerable population (e.g. AmeriCorps, Pell Grant outreach, the Gear-Up Initiative, Work Opportunities), and announce his proposed budget request to increase by 50 percent (to \$135 million) the main federal support program administered by HHS and extend Medicaid coverage for this population. **(Requires budget decision, not ready until after 12/15)**

December 20 **Fighting Homelessness.** On December 20, a number of homeless organizations hold events throughout the country (including in D.C.) to highlight the problem of homelessness. At this event, the President could announce \$700 million in McKinney grants and the results of a VA survey that will show a significant portion of the veterans treated could be considered homeless. In addition, the President could announce any combination of the following budget proposals: (1) assist the approximately 250,000 homeless veterans with a \$50 million package that would provide the single largest investment to break the cycle of homelessness among veterans; (2) allow VA to sell surplus property with 10 percent of proceeds going to homeless veterans; and (3) a demonstration project targeted to the chronically homeless that would test the most promising models for moving chronically homeless to self-sufficiency using a combination of permanent housing and links to mainstream services. Finally, the President could also announce the toll-free number that HUD operates every year to assist the homeless. **(Ready in mid-December; proposal requires budget decision)**

January **Ensuring Equal Pay.** The President could announce a \$30 million program to advance outreach to businesses and employees to educate them about the requirement to pay equal wages. The program will provide technical assistance, improve training for EEOC employees and resources for increases in enforcement capabilities. The program also funds a Women in Non-Traditional Occupations Initiative, which will identify best practices, emphasize anti-discrimination and anti-harassment activities, and explore incentives to improve access to and acceptance of women into glass ceiling and nontraditional opportunities such as construction, "high tech," and manufacturing. **(Pending budget decision).**

December **Family/Child Care Package**

The President could announce a "families agenda" that will include proposals to: help working families pay for child care through subsidies and tax credits; give a tax credit to help parents who wish to stay at home to care for their children; provide paid parental leave for families with newborn or newly adopted children;

provide funding for home visiting and other parenting skills programs for parents with very young children; and increase support for after-school programs. Also, the President would propose expanding family medical leave so that it would cover employers with 25 employees or fewer. **(Pending budget decisions.)**

HEALTH:

December

Asthma Initiative

The President could announce a concerted fight against asthma, which has become a national epidemic impacting the lives of 15 million Americans. The initial goals of this program will be to halt the increase in asthma, reduce by half the number of children who die or suffer activity limitations because of this disease, and limit the disproportionate impact of asthma on minority communities. The President could announce new FY2000 budget proposals to expand programs that have had demonstrated success on a pilot basis in preventing, managing, and understanding asthma. The President could also release an interagency report on best practices and strategies to address asthma. **(Requires budget decision.)**

December

Meeting with Presidential Task Force on People with Disabilities

As required by the Executive Order the President signed in March, the Task Force has prepared a six month report which includes recommendations on administrative and legislative policies to improve employment opportunities for people with disabilities. The President could meet with the Task Force (Secretary Herman, chair, and Tony Coehlo, vice chair) and formally announce his endorsement of the Kennedy-Jeffords Work Incentives Improvement Act -- the disability community's top health priority. The President could also possibly announce at this time new budget proposals affecting people with disabilities, including a tax credit for people with disabilities to help them pay work-related expenses and/or a BRIDGE program to foster more integrated state and local services help people with disabilities go to work. **(Ready --certain components pending budget decisions).**

December

Long-Term Care Tax Credit Package

The President would announce a proposal to provide a \$1,000 tax credit to people with long-term care needs or their care givers -- which we expect will help about 2.3 million people. At the same time, the President could call for the Federal Employees Health Benefit plan to offer long-term care insurance to federal employees, underscoring that a model employer should promote high-quality private long-term care insurance policies to its employees. OPM estimates that 300,000 people would buy these policies. This long-term care tax credit does not currently have offsets. However, pending budget decisions, this policy could be ready to go in December. **(Pending budget decisions.)**

December

Superbug Initiative

Recent reports have indicated that resistance to anti-biotics is becoming a major public health crisis, causing prolonged illnesses and even death. For example,

pneumonia, which impact over 500,000 Americans each year, is becoming resistance to most antibiotics and staph, the most common hospital-based infection, is now only responding to the strongest drug available and some people are even starting to show resistance to this drug. Experts believe that this critical public health problem is on track to affect more and more viruses. To reduce this problem, the President could: (1) launch a new budget initiative to enable experts to obtain critical information about which viruses are likely to become resistant and why; (2) launch a major education campaign to inform health providers and professionals about how to prescribe drugs more appropriately and increase the use of vaccines to reduce the likelihood that diseases will become resistant; and (3) fund community-based demonstrations to examine how best to implement prevention efforts. **(Pending budget decision.)**

December **FDA Regulation on Over The Counter Drugs Labeling.**

In concert with or soon after Jane Henney is sworn in as the next FDA commissioner, we could hold an event around the release of a final regulation requiring all over the counter drugs to be labeled in a user friendly manner. HHS and OMB would have to be pushed aggressively to finalize work on this regulation, but it could be ready late in December. Such an announcement would have the support of the pharmaceutical community as well as consumers, and would represent an important breakthrough for those in need to readable, easy to understand usage and compliance information for important medications. **(Late December.)**

December **Patients Bill of Rights.**

After the Republican leadership completes its meetings on committee assignments in December, the President could host a bipartisan meeting with members of Congress committed to passing a strong, enforceable patients' bill of rights. At this meeting, all sides would affirm they are confident that they could pass this bill next year and that all issues, including those associated with enforcement, could be resolved. This meeting would be held to specifically illustrate the momentum this legislation now has and the inevitability of its passage. **(December)**

WELFARE:

November **Food Stamp Fraud Directives**

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TOBACCO

December Counter advertising

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From: Tom

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— 9 pages.

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CPSC Announces Holiday "Toy Recall Round-up" to Get Hazardous Toys Out of Consumers' Homes

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is conducting a holiday "toy recall round-up" to get hazardous toys out of people's homes before the holidays. Despite recall notices and public warnings, CPSC has found that many products with the potential to seriously injure or kill are still being used by consumers.

CPSC has the most stringent toy safety standards in the world, and toys on store shelves are safe because of the day-to-day compliance work by CPSC. "We do a good job getting recalled toys off store shelves," said CPSC Chairman Ann Brown. "The real challenge is to get recalled toys out of people's homes."

Today, CPSC will launch the "toy recall round-up" by broadcasting a video to television stations across the country. This video will include examples of recalled toys that might be in consumers' homes, such as the following:

- "Soft Walkin' Wheels" toy vehicle (1,000,000 toys) by Tonka with a small wheel hub that can be a choking hazard.
- "Big Storage Chest" toy chest (350,000 chests) by Step 2 Company with a lid that can fall, causing strangulation or suffocation.
- "Flying Dolls" spinning toy (670,000 dolls) by Tara Toy with plastic wings that can fly off and cause eye injury.
- "Power Wheels" battery-powered ride-on vehicles (10,000,000 cars) by Fisher-Price with electrical wiring, connectors, and fuses than can cause a fire.

"We urge people to get CPSC's list of toy recalls and check for recalled toys that might be in your house," said Brown. "And get the recalled toys out of your home before the new ones arrive for the holidays."

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CPSC's toll-free telephone hotline and web site provide information about recalled products and information on what to look for when buying products. Consumers can reach the hotline at 800-638-2772 or visit the web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov>.

To get a list of toy recalls, consumers should send a postcard to "Toy Recall List," CPSC, Washington, D.C. 20207.

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The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public from unreasonable risks of injury or death from 15,000 types of consumer products under the agency's jurisdiction. To report a dangerous product or a product-related injury and for information on CPSC's fax-on-demand service, call CPSC's hotline at (800) 638-2772 or CPSC's teletypewriter at (800) 638-8270. To order a press release through fax-on-demand, call (301) #04-0051 from the handset of your fax machine and enter the release number. Consumers can obtain this release and recall information at CPSC's web site at <http://www.cpsc.gov> or via Internet gopher services at gopher.cpsc.gov. Consumers can report product hazards to info@cpsc.gov. To establish a link from your web site to this press release on CPSC's web site, create a link to the following address: <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prwml/pchtml98/98095.html>.

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U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION
TOY RECALL ROUND-UP: December 1998
Selected Recalls

| CPSC News Release | Product and Firm | Problem | Remedy |
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| 97-064 01/29/97 | Soft Toy Vehicle with serial numbers lower than 9528 or no serial number at all. Brand: Tonka "Soft Walkin' Wheels" Tonka Corporation, a division of Hasbro Inc. Pawtucket, RI | Small wheel hubs can separate from the axle, creating a potential choking hazard. 1 million units 2 children started to choke | Free replacement Call firm 800-524-8107 |
| 97-082 03/10/97 | Koller Fun Balls with small plastic fish inside the balls Brand: Felix the Cat, distributed with kids' meals at Wendy's restaurants Determined Productions Inc. San Francisco, CA | The seam holding both halves of the ball may separate, releasing small plastic fish which present a choking hazard. 800,000 units 1 child started to choke | Free replacement Return to local Wendy's restaurant or call firm 800-443-7266 |
| 97-103 04/16/97 | Toy Tractor with a red plunger Brand: "Weebles Tractor" Physiood Pawtucket, RI | The red plunger can crack and break apart, presenting a choking hazard 116,000 units 1 non-choking injury | Free replacement Call firm 888-377-3333 |
| 97-122 05/15/97 | Lawn Darts, all brands | Effective December 19, 1988, CPSC banned all lawn darts because they could cause brain injury or death. Destroy all banned lawn darts immediately. CPSC knows of 3 deaths | Destroy banned lawn darts immediately |
| 97-176 08/27/97 | Flying Dolls with plastic wings Brand: "Star Wonders" Paso Products Company Commerce, CA | During use, the wings of the flying dolls can break off, causing serious eye injuries. 140,000 units 7 injuries | Refund Return to store Call firm 800-583-5029 |
| 98-161 09/02/98 | Flying Dolls with plastic wings Brand: "Flying Warriors" Tara Toy Corp. Hauppauge, NY | During use, the wings of the flying dolls can break off, causing serious eye injuries. 670,000 units 2 eye injuries | Refund Return to store Call firm 888-669-7087 |

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| 98-024 11/06/97 | Wooden Clown Toys with small clown's hat Brio Corporation Germantown, WI (subsidiary of BRIO AB of Sweden) | Small clown's hat presents a choking hazard. 79,000 units; 1 death (in Germany) | Redesigned replacement hat; send hat to BRIO Corp., N120 W18485 Freismath Road, Germantown, WI 53022 Call firm 888-274-6869 |
| 98-055 01/12/98 | Toy Chests with falling lid Brand: "Big Storage Chest" Step 2 Company Sycamore, OH | Lids of toy chests can fall down onto child's head or neck, resulting in entrapment and strangulation. 350,000 units; 16 minor injuries | Free lid-support kit Call firm 800-347-8372 |
| 98-146 07/22/98 | Toy Chests with falling lid Crate & Barrel Northbrook, IL | Lids of toy chests can fall down onto child's head or neck, resulting in entrapment and strangulation. 7,000 units; 2 reports of lids falling | Free lid-support Call firm 800-352-0688 |
| 98-071 02/19/98 | High Chair Gym Toys with clacker balls The First Years Avon, MA | Clacker balls hanging from center of the toy present a choking hazard. 108,000 units; 2 reports of children getting one of the clacker balls stuck in the throat | Free repair kit Call firm 800-533-6708 |
| 98-125 06/11/98 | Bouncing Toy Cars Brand: "Bouncing Buggies" Safety 1st Chester Hill, MA | The car "Stop" sign and dog "Go" sign toys attached to the toy may be broken off by a child, creating a sharp plastic sign. 106,000 units; 33 reports of scratches, cuts, or bruises; 1 child started to choke. | Free replacement toys Call firm 800-723-3065 |
| 99-009 10/15/98 | Xylophone Mallets Brand: "Little Oxes" Playwell Toy Inc. Lake Forest, CA | Rounded end of mallet can get stuck in throat of young child, blocking airway. 351,800 units; 1 child suffered severe brain damage | Replacement mallet Call firm 877-PLAY-WELL |
| 99-012 10/22/98 | Battery-Powered Ride-On Vehicles Brand: "Power Wheels" Fisher-Price East Aurora, NY | The vehicles' electrical components can overheat and cause fires. 10,000,000 units; 150 fires, 9 injuries (minor burns) to children, and property damage to 22 houses and garages. Also 71 reports of vehicles not stopping. | Free repair Call firm 800-877-7800 or website: www.powerwheels.com |

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 27, 1998

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FROM: BRUCE REED

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November or

Adoption Registry

December

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December

Family Report

The President could announce the findings of a new report by the CEA detailing changes in the last thirty years in family life. The report will show the increased numbers of women in the workplace, and detail the diminished amount of time families have to spend with their children. (mid-December)

HEALTH:

December

Asthma Initiative

The President could announce a concerted fight against asthma, which has become a national epidemic impacting the lives of 15 million Americans. The initial goals of this program will be to halt the increase in asthma, reduce by half the number of children who die or suffer activity limitations because of this disease, and limit the disproportionate impact of asthma on minority communities. The President could announce new FY2000 budget proposals to expand programs that have had demonstrated success on a pilot basis in preventing, managing, and understanding asthma. The President could also release an interagency report on best practices and strategies to address asthma. (Requires budget decision.)

December

Meeting with Presidential Task Force on People with Disabilities

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January The Congress fully funded the President's request for \$200 million for afterschool programs. Anytime after November 4, the President could announce the release of the first \$40 million in 21st Century Learning Center Grants for over 100 school districts throughout the country. (Ready)

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Recognizing the important role that civic, community, and faith-based organizations can play in reducing crime, this past July the President announced a \$2.2 million in grants available for 16 community-based collaboratives, including religiously-affiliated organizations, to target youth violence, gangs, truancy, and other juvenile problems by promoting common-sense values and responsibility. To build on this effort, the President could commit to a series of new grants to support values-based crime prevention efforts, and urge Congress to endorse and increase federal funding for such

programs. The President could also highlight the efforts of Rev. Eugene Rivers of Boston, who inspired the President to develop this initiative and has organized a National 10-Point Leadership Foundation to mobilize 1,000 black churches in 40 cities to help at-risk kids in the 50 worst neighborhoods. (Pending budget decisions.)

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The President could announce a "families agenda" that will include proposals to: help working families pay for child care through subsidies and tax credits; give a tax credit to help parents who wish to stay at home to care for their children; provide paid parental leave for families with newborn or newly adopted children; provide funding for home visiting and other parenting skills programs for parents with very young children; and increase support for after-school programs. Also, the President would propose expanding family medical leave so that it would cover employers with 25 employees or fewer. (Pending budget decisions.)

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- * Tobacco / Medicare SMART team
- * Bipartisan HMO mtg.
- * Crime Bill / COPS II

- * Disabilities
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- * Safe schools
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(As of 11/10/98)

Possible SOTU announcements:

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- Federal agencies have already met nearly all of their Year 2000 hiring goals
- Welfare caseload reductions
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Possible announcements for 2/26 Partnership event in Miami:

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December The President could announce new data on the number of children served with child care assistance through the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG). The data is expected to indicate that approximately 1.8 million children of the 10 million eligible for assistance have been served through the block grant. This is the first data to examine the block grant, which was created in the 1996 welfare reform bill, and it will highlight the need for increased investment in the block grant. **(Ready)**

November or **Adoption Registry**

December The President could call for an internet-based national registry of children in foster care waiting to be adopted. Prospective adoptive parents will be able to visit the site and meet these waiting children. The registry, to cost between \$1-2 million, will be funded through the Adoption Opportunities Grants, which are a part of the President's Adoption 2002 Initiative -- an effort to double the number of children adopted from the public child welfare system by the 2002. In addition, the President can announce new adoption data which will show that

adoptions have increased in FY 1998. Also, the President could announce the HHS Adoption 2002 Awards, which he called for by executive memorandum in 1996. November is National Adoption Month, and is exactly one-year since the President signed the landmark Adoption and Safe Families Act. The First Lady is very interested in holding an event on adoption during November, preferably at the end of the month before Thanksgiving.

December Family Report

The President could announce the findings of a new report by the CEA detailing changes in the last thirty years in family life. The report will show the increased numbers of women in the workplace, and detail the diminished amount of time families have to spend with their children. (mid-December)

HEALTH:

December Asthma Initiative

The President could announce a concerted fight against asthma, which has become a national epidemic impacting the lives of 15 million Americans. The initial goals of this program will be to halt the increase in asthma, reduce by half the number of children who die or suffer activity limitations because of this disease, and limit the disproportionate impact of asthma on minority communities. The President could announce new FY2000 budget proposals to expand programs that have had demonstrated success on a pilot basis in preventing, managing, and understanding asthma. The President could also release an interagency report on best practices and strategies to address asthma. **(Requires budget decision.)**

December Meeting with Presidential Task Force on People with Disabilities

The President could meet with the Presidential Task Force on People with Disabilities and formally announce his endorsement of the Kennedy-Jeffords Work Incentives Improvement Act --the disability community's top health priority. The President could also possibly announce at this time new budget proposals effecting people with disabilities, including possibly a tax credit for people with disabilities returning to work or a bridge program to help people with disabilities go to work. **(Ready -- certain components pending budget decisions).**

WELFARE:

November Food Stamp Fraud Directives

The President could sign three directives to crack down on food stamp fraud: (1) The President would direct the Social Security Administration to share its death records with the Food Stamp agency to ensure that Food Stamp recipients who die are immediately removed from the rolls; (2) The President would direct USDA to develop a plan to create an interstate matching system to ensure Food Stamp recipients are not receiving benefits in multiple states; and (3) The President would direct Treasury to collect (through offset of federal payments and other

means) unpaid fines owed by retailers that have violated Food Stamp rules, such as exchanging Food Stamps for cash. The first two directives will build on the Lugar legislation that passed at the end of the session. **(Ready)**

December Work Participation Rates

The President could visit a welfare-to-work program and announce: (1) new state work participation rates, showing that almost all states are meeting the welfare law's single-parent requirements, but some are failing to meet the law's separate two-parent requirement; (2) new caseload data showing continuing declines; and (3) new data on the number of people who were on welfare in 1997 and working in March 1998. **(Expected to be ready in early December.)**

December Welfare to Work Housing Vouchers

The Congress approved in the VA/HUD appropriations bill full funding for the President's request for 50,000 welfare-to-work housing vouchers. The President could hold an event announcing the opening of the first competition for these vouchers. This is the first time ever that housing vouchers will be linked to welfare reform, and represents an improvement in the way welfare, employment, and housing agencies can work together. **(Ready in December.)**

EDUCATION:

December or January Afterschool Grants

The Congress fully funded the President's request for \$200 million for afterschool programs. Anytime after November 4, the President could announce the release of the first \$40 million in 21st Century Learning Center Grants for over 100 school districts throughout the country. **(Ready)**

December Teacher Quality Report

The National Center on Educational Statistics at the Department of Education has conducted a rapid response survey of teachers as well as an analysis of state efforts to improve the quality of the teaching force that will be included in the Department's first biennial teacher quality report. The President would announce the release of this report and possibly announce new budget and legislative proposals to improve teacher quality. **(Ready late December or January.)**

December Social Promotions Report

The President could announce a new Education Department report on best practices for ending social promotion. This would be an opportunity for the President to renew his call made this year to end social promotion. **(Ready late December or January.)**

November AmeriCorps

The President could reschedule the ceremony for him to swear-in the 100,000th Americorps member. At this event the President would also announce: (1) new

grants to support 500-1000 Americorps Promise Fellowships to support the goals set at the Presidents' Summit; (2) the recipients of the President's Service Awards, the nation's highest volunteer service award; and (3) the recipients of the President's Student Service Awards. **(Ready)**

EMPOWERMENT ZONES:

December **Empowerment Zone Awards**

The President could announce the winners of the nationwide competition for the second round Empowerment Zones. Twenty communities will win designations as new EZs -- 15 urban and 5 rural. Like the first round, each EZ will receive a mixture of tax incentives and flexible grants to leverage private, non-profit, and state and local government resources to promote business development and job creation in some of our country's most distressed communities. The EZ statute requires that these designations be made by January 1, 1999. The EZ program is one of the cornerstones of the President's and Vice President's Community Empowerment Agenda. **(Ready in December.)**

Other likely initiatives as part of State of the Union Rollout, December - January:

December Nationwide Crackdown on Food Safety

The President could announce a new \$87 million budget proposal to crackdown on food safety nationally and a proposed legislative package to give authority to USDA to issue recalls of unsafe food and impose civil fines. In addition, the President would urge states to adopt his model food code for retailers, providing incentives and disincentives for states to adopt to the code. **(Ready, depending on budget decisions.)**

December Long-Term Care Tax Credit Package

The President would announce a proposal to provide a \$1,000 tax credit to people with long-term care needs or their care givers -- which we expect will help about 2.3 million people. At the same time, the President could call for the Federal Employees Health Benefit plan to offer long-term care insurance to federal employees, underscoring that a model employer should promote high-quality private long-term care insurance policies to its employees. OPM estimates that 300,000 people would buy these policies. This long-term care tax credit does not currently have offsets. However, pending budget decisions, this policy could be ready to go in December. **(Pending budget decisions.)**

December Superbug Initiative

Recent reports have indicated that resistance to anti-biotics is becoming a major public health crisis, causing prolonged illnesses and even death. For example, pneumonia, which impact over 500,000 Americans each year, is becoming resistance to most antibiotics and staph, the most common hospital-based infection, is now only responding to the strongest drug available and some people are even starting to show resistance to this drug. Experts believe that this critical public health problem is on track to affect more and more viruses. To reduce this problem, the President could: (1) launch a new budget initiative to enable experts to obtain critical information about which viruses are likely to become resistant and why; (2) launch a major education campaign to inform health providers and professionals about how to prescribe drugs more appropriately and increase the use of vaccines to reduce the likelihood that diseases will become resistant; and (3) fund community-based demonstrations to examine how best to implement prevention efforts. **(Pending budget decision.)**

December Expansion of Values-Based Crime Prevention Initiative

Recognizing the important role that civic, community, and faith-based organizations can play in reducing crime, this past July the President announced a \$2.2 million in grants available for 16 community-based collaboratives, including religiously-affiliated organizations, to target youth violence, gangs, truancy, and other juvenile problems by promoting common-sense values and responsibility. To build on this effort, the President could commit to a series of new grants to support values-based

crime prevention efforts, and urge Congress to endorse and increase federal funding for such programs. The President could also highlight the efforts of Rev. Eugene Rivers of Boston, who inspired the President to develop this initiative and has organized a National 10-Point Leadership Foundation to mobilize 1,000 black churches in 40 cities to help at-risk kids in the 50 worst neighborhoods. **(Pending budget decisions.)**

December Family/Child Care Package

The President could announce a "families agenda" that will include proposals to: help working families pay for child care through subsidies and tax credits; give a tax credit to help parents who wish to stay at home to care for their children; provide paid parental leave for families with newborn or newly adopted children; provide funding for home visiting and other parenting skills programs for parents with very young children; and increase support for after-school programs. Also, the President would propose expanding family medical leave so that it would cover employers with 25 employees or fewer. **(Pending budget decisions.)**

January No-Social-Promotions Initiative

The President could announce a new \$300 million dollar budget initiative to help local school systems around the country follow Chicago's example and end social promotions. This would be a competitive grants program through which the federal government would pay for the cost of mandatory summer school and after-school to help students meet promotion standards, if the school district agrees to end social promotion. **(Pending budget decisions.)**



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NOTES/COMMENTS:

These should be extraordinary events for the President and Vice President. Please give me a call if you need anything more. Thank you.

Miami-Dade County Welfare to Work Conference Scheduling request for President Clinton

What: The Partnership, together with Mayor Alex Penelas and the local Work and Gain Economic Self-Sufficiency (WAGES) board will organize and sponsor a welfare to work conference for Miami-Dade county. The conference will highlight the Aviation Alliance, Hotel/Motel Association, and the Banking and Finance industries. Because of Mayor Alex Penelas' efforts, these industries have committed to hiring and retaining welfare recipients in the Miami area.

This event will be the last of The Partnership's City Link conferences before a national conference envisioned for the fall. Three members of The Partnership's Board of Directors are confirmed to attend: Dennis Malamatinas, CEO, Burger King Corporation; Jonathan Tisch, President and CEO, Loews Hotels; and Gerald Greenwald, Chairman and CEO, United Airlines.

The conference will provide President Clinton the opportunity to promote the Administration's welfare reform accomplishments as well as address issues outlined in his State of the Union Address. The Partnership will work with White House staff to identify key issues such as work-based English language literacy and substance abuse.

The objective of the conference is to recruit large, medium and small business to participate in hiring former welfare recipients. More than 500 businesses will be delivered in this effort. A service provider guide will be released to employers at the conference to ensure they are able to immediately hire and retain welfare recipients.

The Miami WAGES board, a sponsor of the conference, is comprised of United Airlines, Burger King, Loews, BankAtlantic, First Union, American Airlines, Bell South and other key leading businesses in the Miami area.

When: February 26, 1999

Where: Miami Beach Convention Center

San Francisco Welfare to Work Conference Scheduling Request for Vice President Gore

What: A Bay Area Welfare to Work Business Conference whose goal is three-fold: To engage employers about welfare to work by showcasing existing efforts, to encourage businesses to utilize service provider organizations to hire and retain welfare recipients, and to encourage welfare recipients to join existing welfare to work programs by highlighting the success of graduates from Bay Area programs.

The day begins with a breakfast for business leaders hosted by Mayor Willie Brown. The Vice President would also be joined by area Mayors - invited by Mayor Brown - and elected officials as well as leaders from his Coalition to Sustain Success, including Fred Grandy of Goodwill and United Way of the Bay Area. The breakfast will provide a platform for the Vice President to encourage business leaders in the Bay Area - including Silicon Valley - to join welfare to work efforts and partner with the local service provider community. Key business targets include: Chevron (a Board Member of The Welfare to Work Partnership), The Gap, Charles Schwab, McKinsey, Wells Fargo, Pacific Bell, Korn/Ferry, Hellman & Friedman, SAFEWAY, Clorox and the Shorenstein Companies.

The Vice President would then kick off a how-to conference for more than 800 Bay Area businesses and service providers. The Vice President will have an opportunity to showcase the success of community based organizations working together with businesses to move former recipients to lives of independence. More than 100 past and current graduates' from local training programs such as San Francisco Works/United Way and Job Networks will help kick-off the conference with the Vice President. Each of the graduates' new employers will also join other conference attendees.

The conference will provide how-to information by industry and business size and link businesses with Bay Area resources that will provide them with job-ready workers. The Partnership, with United Way, will also release a comprehensive service provider directory at the conference.

The Vice President could also capitalize on this event by convening the Coalition to Sustain Success' first meeting of the year hosted by United Way of the Bay Area. This will integrate local business interest in hiring welfare recipients with local and national CBO support and commitment to help.

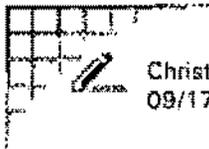
Where: The breakfast and conference would be held at the San Francisco Civic Center.

When: March 1st or 2nd. The schedule of the day can remain flexible according to the Vice President's schedule.

Background: The Welfare to Work Partnership has been working closely with SF Works and Job Network since October 1997. The Partnership has held a meeting with key Bay Area stakeholders to build support for and begin design of, this conference.

San Francisco Works is a collaborative effort of the Committee on Jobs, the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce and the United Way. This business community effort was created in June 1997 to help 2,000 former welfare recipients secure and retain private sector jobs by the year 2,000. SF Works provides employment training, internship and placement programs. They celebrated the first graduation of 70+ men and women on July 23, 1998.

Job Network is a collaborative effort of Small Business Network, Juma Ventures and Jewish Vocational Services. It is an innovative small business welfare to work strategy that links job seekers with employment opportunities and provides the training and post placement support. Job Network has commitment from Small Business Network to place 200 of its graduates. The six-week training program has graduated two classes of approximately 25 men and women each.



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Subject: DPC Scheduling Proposals

Here is a list of DPC proposed announcements by date, which I thought would help us track them. Please let me know if there are any events or timing issues I missed. Thanks.

DPC Proposals by date:

- 9/24 COPS Grants Event.
- 9/25 Chicago Education Event -- Announce new education grants for technology, Charter Schools, and Safe and Drug Free Schools.
- 9/24-26 Food Safety Event - Study on Salmonella Reduction and USDA grants.
- 9/28-30 VA Conference in Baltimore -- announce homeless veterans grants.
- 9/30 School to Work Grants (only available this day).
- 10/1-6 CHIP outreach event. (Ads begin the 1st.)
- 10/1 Child Support National Case Registry (states begin inputting info. the 1st)
- 10/9 NAPO Top Cops Event
- 10/18 FBI Crime Stats
- 10/21 Breast Cancer Event (HRC scheduled this day) - 5 years since first action plan.
- 10/23 Youth Crime Gun Interdiction Initiative Report and expansion.
- 10/23 AmeriCorps 100,000th Member Event (graduations across the country this day)
- 10/23 New Child Care Fiscal Data (10/23 is the one year anniversary of the child care conf.)

October Proposals without specific dates:

- CEO Roundtable Discussion on Work/Family Issues and CEA Report.
- Tobacco Counteradvertising Event
- DOD's Anti-Tobacco Plan.
- Executive Order directing OSHA to establish smoke-free workplace standard.- Kaiser Foundation Study on T.V. Violence
- Binge Drinking Event
- E-Rate Events
- HHS Defibrillator Study
- Rural Event
- Naturalization event (teams sent to NY, LA, Chicago, San Fran, Miami)
- INS Proposed Rule on Medicaid

Bill Signings/Unpredictable Timing:

- Kennedy-Jefford Bill Signing (and other disability announcements)
- Higher Education Act Signing
- Charter Schools Bill Signing
- Early Literacy Bill Signing
- H-1B Bill Signing
- IDA Bill Signing
- Welfare to Work Housing Vouchers/Appropriations bill signing

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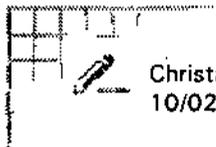
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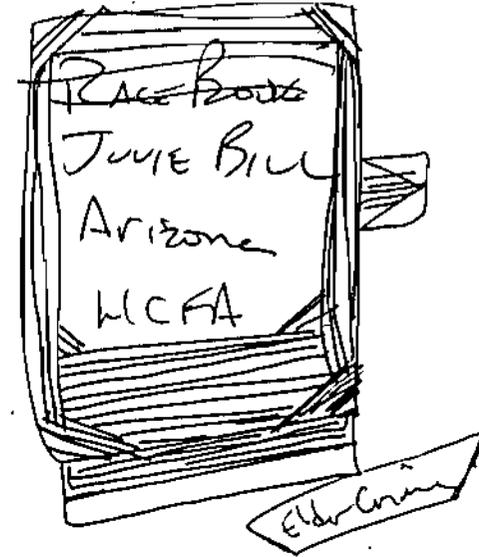
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Christa Robinson
10/02/98 04:13:14 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Cathy R. Mays/OPD/EOP
cc: Elena Kagan/OPD/EOP
Subject: for Bruce's scheduling/message meeting



Some outstanding issues for your scheduling meeting:

1. Rescheduling the Elder Crime Event.
2. Deciding when and how to sign the Higher Education Act.
3. Deciding whether POTUS wants to do the Breast Cancer Awareness event b/c HRC is scheduled to do it on 10/21 and POTUS is unavailable that day. Other days are booking up quickly, so I think we should raise this so that people have it on their radar screens. Jen Klein feels the event has to take place in D.C., not on the road, and that we should not do a signing ceremony for the Mammogram Quality Control reauthorization at this event (or anytime else) b/c it would have to include Sen. D'amato.
4. Maria asked for a scheduling request from us on a POTUS meeting with minority communities on AIDS. She thought he should possibly do this when he was in L.A. on the 20th. (Todd and I are working on a scheduling request for you to review. Please advise.)
5. Top Cops is still only pending as the message event for Oct. 9th. Ann Lewis was interested in Jose's idea to hit the Congress on their last day in session for not passing the Degan expansion for education benefits for child survivors of cops (even though it has bipartisan support and has already passed the Senate) and also talk about all the other work Congress hasn't completed this session -- with a sea of blue standing behind him. It's possible for POTUS to go to the TOP COPS dinner the night before, but that doesn't get us any news - or even a photo-op.

Other events that are ready to scheduled if there is support:

- CHIP
- Patient's Bill of Rights Event
- Youth Crime Gun Tracing Initiative Report and expansion (after Oct 23)
- New Child Care Data -- late in Oct. or Nov.
- Counteradvertising Event
- DOD Tobacco Plan

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| <p>4</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> | <p>5</p> <p>Hold 30 Minutes (SS)</p> <p>Unity Lunch, DC</p> <p>G-22 Meeting</p> <p>Unity Reception, DC</p> <p>Unity Dinner, DC</p> | <p>6</p> <p>Address Opening Ceremony at World Bank IMF Annual Meeting</p> <p>Ball Signing (Sand Creek Massacre)</p> <p>Videos</p> <p>Evening Off</p> | <p>7</p> <p>HILLIER EP</p> <p>Ball Signing Ceremony (T)</p> <p>Meq. w/Hungarian PM Orbán (30 minutes)</p> <p>DNC Dinner, DC</p> | <p>8</p> <p>Environmental Event (T)</p> <p>VP Lunch</p> <p>Ball Signing (Nazi War Crimes) (T)</p> <p>Hold 1 Hour</p> <p>Evening Off</p> <p>VP/PBOR a.m.</p> <p>Dem Approps. Mtg.</p> | <p>9</p> <p>Message Event (T)</p> <p>Working Lunch with German Chancellor-Elect Schroeder (T)</p> <p>Tape Radio Address</p> <p>Evening Off</p> <p>SEAFS Top Cop's Award</p> <p>Congressional Target Adherence</p> <p>FLOTUS Foreign Travel</p> | <p>10</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> <p>L. W. P. D.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>11</p> <p>Day & Evening Off</p> <p>POTUS & FLOTUS Anniversary</p> | <p>12</p> <p>Message Event, NY (T)</p> <p>Schumer Dinner, NY</p> <p>Drop-by Charity Dinner, NY (T)</p> <p>RON Palm Beach, FL (T)</p> <p>Columbus Day</p> <p>FLOTUS Foreign Travel</p> | <p>13</p> <p>SS FRAND (Forum?)</p> <p>Message Event, Palm Beach, FL Area (T)</p> <p>Unity Lunch, Palm Beach, FL</p> <p>Unity Dinner, Miami, FL</p> <p>RON DC</p> | <p>14</p> <p>2/RENSLWS</p> <p>Down Until 12:30pm</p> <p>Message Event (T)</p> <p>VP Lunch</p> <p>Jones Dinner, DC</p> | <p>15</p> <p>WH Conference on School Safety</p> <p>Hold 1 Hour</p> <p>Evening Off</p> | <p>16</p> <p>Sac. Sec. ...</p> <p>Message Event, Chicago, IL (T)</p> <p>Moseley-Braun Lunch, Chicago, IL</p> <p>Tape Radio Address</p> <p>Unity Dinner, St. Louis, MO</p> <p>RON DC</p> <p>COLA Increase Announcement</p> | <p>17</p> <p>Yale Law School Reunion Lunch, New Haven, CT</p> <p>RON DC</p> <p>NIAF Dinner, DC</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1 Day & Evening Off | 2 | 3 Election Day | 4 Working Visit with PM Demisek of Slovenia | 5 Medals Arts & Humanities Ceremony Medals of Arts & Humanities Dinner | 6 Dedication Ceremony, Fayetteville, AR (T) Dinner, Fayetteville, AR (T) RON Fayetteville, AR (T) | 7 Day & Evening Off RON Fayetteville, AR (T) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 Fayetteville, AR (T) Return to DC RON DC | 9 Videos (T) NCAA Basketball Champions Event (T) | 10 | 11 Veterans Day Events (T) Veterans Day | 12 Briefing for Foreign Trip (T) | 13 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel | 14 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel International Day of Prayer | 16 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel | 17 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel APEC Meeting, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia | 18 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel | 19 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel | 20 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel | 21 Hold for Possible Foreign Travel | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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EDUCATION BILL OF RIGHTS

Every American family has the right to send their children to public schools with:

1. Small classes

Congress must:

- Pass the Class Size Reduction and Teacher Quality Act
- Provide funding for reducing class size through Title 1 appropriations

2. Talented teachers

Congress must:

- Pass the Teacher Preparation and Recruitment initiative in Higher Education Act
- Pass the Class Size Reduction and Teacher Quality Act
- Provide funding requested by the President for the Eisenhower Professional Development program
- Provide funding requested by the President for LEP Teacher Professional Development
- Provide funding requested by the President for Technology Teacher Training
- Continue to support the work of the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards

3. Modern school facilities

Congress must:

- Pass the School Modernization Act

4. High standards and accountability

Congress must:

- Provide funding requested by the President for Goals 2000
- Pass and provide funding for Education Opportunity Zones
- Support continued development of voluntary national standards and tests

5. Safe, disciplined, and drug-free learning environments

Congress must:

- Provide funding as requested by President for middle-school drug coordinators
- Support President's proposal to strengthen accountability for the Safe and Drug Free Schools Program
- Extend Brady law to violent juveniles
- Enact Child Access Prevention bill to keep guns away from kids

6. Quality after-school and summer school programs

Congress must:

- Provide funding requested by the President for 21st Century Community Learning Centers program

7. Public school choice

Congress must:

- Pass the charter schools bill and provide funding requested by the President for the charter schools program

8. Extra efforts to give students a solid foundation in the basic skills and prepare them for college

Congress must:

- Pass and fund the Early Literacy bill
- Provide funding requested by the President for Title I
- Pass and fund the High Hopes program

9. Programs to ensure young children arrive at school ready to learn

Congress must:

- Pass and fund President's Early Learning Fund
- Pass and fund Head Start improvements and expansion
- Provide funding requested by the President for the Child Care Development Block Grant
- Pass and fund the President's child care standards enforcement fund

10. 21st century technology

Congress must:

- Provide funding requested by the President for the Technology Literacy Challenge Fund
- Provide funding requested by the President for Technology Teacher Training
- Support implementation of the e-rate



Cynthia A. Rice

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Record Type: Record

To: Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP
cc: Christa Robinson/OPD/EOP
Subject: Food Stamp Directives

The directives would do three things:

- 1) Ensure that Food Stamp recipients who die are immediately removed from the rolls, by requiring the Social Security Administration to share its death records with Food Stamp agencies.
- 2) Require USDA, in consultation with SSA and HHS, to develop a plan to create an interstate matching system to ensure Food Stamp recipients are not receiving benefits in multiple states. (Note this is developing a plan -- requiring such matches would take legislation.)
- 3) Require Treasury to act to collect (through offset of federal payments and other means) debts owed by retailers -- these are usually fines imposed on retailers who have committed fraud such as cashed in Food Stamps.

A few key facts:

19.5 million Americans receive Food Stamps:

One-third are elderly or disabled

60 percent are children

Record Type: Record

To: Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP
cc: Christa Robinson/OPD/EOP, Cathy R. Mays/OPD/EOP
Subject: Announcements

Here's most up-to-date on elder abuse. Jose asked that I resubmit everything, so you everything together.

Announcement on Elder Abuse and Fraud. HHS has been working on reports that document emotional, physical, psychological, and financial abuses of older Americans, often by family members. For example, one-half million Americans in domestic settings were abused and neglected in 1996. The oldest, most vulnerable Americans (80+ years) are abused and neglected at 2 to 3 times the rate of the overall elderly population. Ninety percent of the incidents are with a known perpetrator. In addition, fraudulent telemarketers continue to target frail and vulnerable older Americans as their primary victims. In response to these findings, the President could take several actions in Florida to combat elder abuse and crime, including:

Elder Abuse: (1) creating a new national center on elder abuse; and (2) calling on Congress to reauthorize the Older Americans' Act, which includes services, such as provider training, public education, ombudsman programs, and legal hotlines, to help older Americans at risk for abuse.

Elder Crime and Fraud: (1) launching new partnership between the Justice Department and AARP to create Elder Fraud Prevention Teams (EFPTs) in four cities -- Miami, Phoenix, San Diego, and Seattle. Under the EFPT pilot project, Justice and AARP would work with other federal, state and local law enforcement authorities to identify senior communities and conduct outreach and education efforts to prevent various forms of fraud and financial exploitation targeted at the elderly. (2) announce Justice Department grants to combat telemarketing fraud for the elderly, totaling \$260,000 [NB: Justice is not sure these will be ready for next week- still checking]; and (3) announcing posting of new information on telemarketing fraud on the Web. Information on the Justice web site will include audio tapes of conversations between fraudulent telemarketers and their prospective victims, as well tips on how to respond and report possibly fraudulent contacts by telemarketers.

School Safety:

The President could announce the release of over \$16 million in COPS school-based partnership grants to 155 law enforcement agencies. The grants will be used by policing

MESSAGE MEETING
Wednesday, July 29, 1998

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| August 3 | Economic Speech (T) |
| August 4 | Message Opportunity |
| August 5 | Message Opportunity |
| August 6 | Message Opportunity |
| August 7 | Employment Numbers/Interviews (T) |
| August 8 | Live Radio Address |
| August 10 | Bill of Rights Event (Medicaid), Louisville, KY (T) |
| August 11 | Brady Bill Extension, San Francisco, CA (T) |
| August 12 | Rural Policy, Location TBD (T) |
| August 13 | Message Opportunity |
| August 14 | Message Opportunity Tape Radio Address |
| August 15 | Travel to New Hampshire (T) Depart for Vacation |

MESSAGE EVENT OPTIONS:

- Economic Speech (8/3 or later that week)
- FMLA Anniversary (8/5)
- Tobacco (Introduction of House Bill/Cost Analysis of Teen Smoking)
- Welfare-to-Work (Hundred Hours Medicaid Rule)
- Privacy Announcement
- Childrens' Health (Announcement of New Numbers)
- Elder Crimes/Fraud - expansion of incentives w/ AARP
- small grants (maybe to AARP)
- aging office - alder abuse
- Long-Term Care
- School Safety
- DOL Announcement of Revised Appeals Procedures under ERISA
- Medicaid/Bill of Rights Announcement (Kentucky 8/10)
- Brady Extension (San Francisco 8/11)
- Rural Policy (South Dakota (1) 8/12)
- Military Base Visit

Food Stamp Fraud / USDA or

Fatalities down

NEXT WK

- Labor/H fight Monday
- on-site
- ~~Tobacco fight~~ Tues.
Brady Bill
- 100 hr rule Wed
- Foodstamps/
Elder abuse Thurs.
- GI Bill/VE Fri.

OTHER

- RISKY SCHEME / TAX
- TOBACCO FIGHT

MESSAGE SCHEDULE

PBoR - 29 or 31

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| October 23 | Middle East Peace Signing Tape Radio Address (Social Security) |
| October 24 | Fundraising Travel to California |
| October 25 | Fundraising Travel to California <i>Students default</i> |
| October 26 | Day Off <i>2 - American Rpt.</i> |
| October 27 | Social Security Event (Women & Pensions/Surplus) (at White House) <i>Actual NJ</i> |
| October 28 | Columbian State Visit / <i>press conf.</i> <i>GUN REPORT??</i> CBC Health Announcement |
| October 29 | Shuttle Launch, Cape Canaveral, FL |
| October 30 | Social Security Event (T) (at White House) / <i>GDP #'s.</i> Tape Radio Address - <i>PBoR report</i> |
| October 31 | Day Off |
| November 1 | Remarks to New Psalmist Baptist Church Service, Baltimore, MD (T) |
| November 2 | Specialty Press Interviews (T) Conference Calls (T) <i>Patients Bill of Rights Event?</i> |
| November 3 | Election Day |
| November 4 | Message Opportunity Working Visit with PM Drnovsek of Slovenia (30 minutes) |
| November 5 | Medals of Arts & Humanities Ceremony |
| November 6 | Airport Dedication Ceremony, Fayetteville, AR Tape Radio Address |
| November 9 | Message Opportunity |
| November 10 | Press Conference (T) |
| November 11 | Veterans Day Event at Arlington Cemetery <i>Other Options Include:</i> <i>•Treasures Event at Anderson Cottage?</i> <i>•Remarks to Business Round table (NOTE: This is the only day they are in town)</i> |
| November 12 | Message Opportunity |
| November 13 | Depart for Foreign Travel Tape Radio Address (before 10:30am departure) |
| November 14 - November 22 | Foreign Travel |

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| November 23 | Day Off |
| November 24 | Message Opportunity |
| November 25 | Message Opportunity Turkey Presentation Ceremony |
| November 26 | Thanksgiving |
| November 27 | Day Off |
| November 30 | Message Opportunity |

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 16, 1998

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

FROM: Bruce Reed
Elena Kagan

SUBJECT: DPC October Event Ideas

Health Care

Long-Term Care: If Democrats decide to introduce an alternative tax bill, we could do an event (either before or concurrent with the Democratic unveiling) that highlights the President's long-term care initiative. The President's proposal would provide for a \$500-\$1,000 tax credit to people with long-term care needs or their caregivers. It would cost about \$5 billion over 5 years and help about 2.2 million people. At the same time, the President could call for the Federal Employees Health Benefit plan to offer long-term care insurance to federal employees. OPM estimates that 300,000 people would buy these policies.

Work Incentives and Health Care for People with Disabilities: Within a week, we will know whether the Senate will vote on the Jeffords-Kennedy Work Incentives Improvement Act -- the disability community's top health priority -- this year. If the bill does come to a vote, we could do a strong event with the disability and AIDS communities emphasizing our involvement in developing the bill and calling on the Senate to pass it. We also could announce the approval of four states for the new "date certain" grant program. This initiative (long sought by the disability community) gives states the ability to use Medicaid funds to offer a time-limited opportunity for institutionalized disabled persons to return to their communities to receive the long-term care services they need. The disabilities community views the program as an important step in moving Medicaid away from its historic bias toward institutionalizing the chronically ill.

Children's Health: October is the first anniversary of the effective date of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and October 5 is Child Health Day. We could release the first annual report on states' progress in implementing CHIP, which is expected to coincide with a sufficient number of state approvals to cover 2.5 million kids. At this event, we would launch phase one of our children's health outreach campaign with NGA, which includes new radio ads in 10 states (set to begin October 1) targeted to parents of uninsured children eligible for CHIP or Medicaid. We also are trying to get a commitment from Americorps to participate in signing families up for Medicaid and CHIP on the local level.

Patients' Bill of Rights: We would like to do at least one more patients' bill of rights event, preferably on the road, prior to the election. We might want to do a kind of wrap-up event, now

- 1st order of business
- one more action

Med w/ CEOs - challenge

that we have just about finished applying the bill of rights to federal health plans, totting up everything we have done by executive action (i.e., how many people covered) and comparing it to what Congress has accomplished (i.e., nothing). The AFL-CIO (per Jerry Shea) strongly favors this event.

Cancer Event(s): In addition to the September 26 Cancer March (and the President's possible involvement through a radio address), October is National Breast Cancer Awareness month. It is also the fifth anniversary of the President's launching of the National Action Plan on Breast Cancer. We have tentatively scheduled October 21 for an event with the First Lady to (1) release a new report on the progress the Administration has made in the fight against breast cancer, and (2) highlight a new information outreach and screening campaign focused on underserved minorities. Because of the President's strong cancer record, as well as his desire to underscore our commitment to ending health disparities among races, the President might want to participate in this event.

Elder Abuse: See Crime section of this memo.

Education

September Grants: The Education Department will announce prior to September 30: (1) technology grants (\$30 million to 17 states); (2) charter school grants (\$60 million to 20 states); (3) safe and drug free school grants (\$5 million for model school partnerships and universities); and (4) school-to-work grants (\$40 million to urban and rural communities, which must be given on September 30). We can try to combine as many of these grants as possible into a single event, perhaps in Chicago.

Potential Bill Signings: (1) The Higher Education Act is virtually certain to pass this session, though the timing is uncertain. It is likely to contain provisions to reduce student loan interest rates, as well as programs based on our High Hopes and Teacher Recruitment and Preparation proposals. (2) Prospects for passing the charter schools legislation are decent, though hardly guaranteed. (3) Ditto the prospects for passing an early literacy bill.

Safe Schools Conference: On October 15, the President will host a White House Conference on School Safety and take the following actions: (1) release the first annual report on school safety, including school crime data, information on model safe schools, and recommended action steps for parents and teachers; (2) unveil a proposal to reform the Safe and Drug Free Schools program and call for additional funds in the FY 2000 budget; (3) announce a new FEMA-like program of assistance for communities that have experienced school-related violence; (4) launch new comprehensive school safety grants that will bring together disparate streams of funding from the Departments of Justice, Education, and Health and Human Services; and (5) start a partnership with MTV on school safety, which includes a year of PSAs.

Crime

September COPS Grants: The President could announce in late September \$370 million in grants to hire or redeploy 11,500 more police officers. This announcement would include \$100 million for Los Angeles to hire 700 new police officers, \$70 million for the rest of California to hire 800 new officers, and \$200 million for COPS MORE grants to allow police departments in communities across the nation to redeploy more than 10,000 officers.

Elder Abuse and Fraud: The President could take several actions to combat elder abuse and fraud, including: (1) releasing the preliminary findings of an HHS study on elder abuse; (2) creating a new national center on elder abuse; (3) calling on Congress to reauthorize the Older Americans' Act, which includes services to help older Americans at risk for abuse; (4) launching a new partnership between the Justice Department and AARP to create Elder Fraud Prevention Teams (EFPTs) in four cities (Miami, Phoenix, San Diego, and Seattle); (5) releasing roughly \$3 million in Justice Department grants to combat fraud against the elderly (by September 30); and (6) posting new information on telemarketing fraud on the Department of Justice Web site.

TOP COPS Legislation: The President could sign legislation to expand educational benefits for the children of slain local law enforcement officers at the NAPO TOP COPS event on October 9, assuming the legislation is passed in time. The President endorsed this proposal at last year's TOP COPS event. The bill has passed the Senate and is waiting for a floor vote in the House.

1997 FBI Crime Statistics: Coinciding with the October 18 release of the final 1997 FBI Uniform Report -- which will continue to show large decreases in crime -- the President could give a major policy speech on how this Administration's efforts have helped to fuel the longest sustained drop in violent crime in nearly 40 years. The speech would commemorate the fourth anniversary of the landmark 1994 Crime Act; highlight the crime policies, including signature initiatives such as COPS, that have helped to change the nation's approach to crime; and begin to make the case for new crime proposals that will be included in the State of the Union and FY 2000 budget.

Youth Crime Gun Interdiction Initiative: Anytime after October 23, the President could: (1) release the second annual report on the Youth Crime Gun Interdiction Initiative (YCGII), which will provide new ATF data on guns used in crimes in 27 cities; (2) announce the availability of new funds to hire new ATF agents to investigate gun trafficking in these 27 cities; and (3) propose a dramatic expansion of this initiative in the FY 2000 budget to all major cities (i.e., the 65-70 cities with populations of 250,000 or more), which would cost about \$30 million (pending OMB's approval). Additionally, because we expect the YCGII report to make a strong case for cracking down on "straw purchasers" and gun shows, we are considering whether the President should announce his support for legislation requiring background checks for all secondary market gun purchases.

Children and Families

Head Start Reauthorization Bill: The President should have the opportunity to sign a Head Start Reauthorization bill this year. A bill signing could highlight the how the Administration has (1) significantly increased Head Start participation; (2) dramatically improved program quality; and (3) created Early Head Start for infants and toddlers.

Quality Child Care for Federal Employees Act: The President may get an opportunity to sign the Quality Child Care for Federal Employees Act, which makes important improvements to federally-sponsored child care by building on an executive memorandum that the President issued in March 1998. (Congress, however, might add this measure to an appropriations bill.) We could announce new CCDBG data (see just below) at this signing.

New Child Care Data. The President could announce new data of the number of children served with child care assistance through the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG). This data will point to the need for increased investment in the block grant; we expect the data to indicate that we are serving approximately 1.8 million children of the 10 million eligible for assistance. This is the first data to examine the CCDBG created by welfare reform in 1996 (when four child care assistance programs were consolidated).

CEO Roundtable Discussion on Work/Family Issues: The President could host a meeting of CEOs to discuss "family-friendly" workplace practices that meet the needs of the nation's changing workforce. The President could release a new CEA report, if it is ready, on Families and the Changing Labor Market. Additionally, the President could signal support for the design of a paid parental leave program (policy development process required). This meeting would build on the work of the Treasury Child Care Working Group, run by Secretary Rubin.

Welfare

National Child Support Case Registry: HHS is almost ready to put in place a new national database of child support cases, called a Federal Case Registry. This database will make it easier to locate deadbeat parents, especially if they have moved to a different state; HHS will check the Registry daily against an existing database of new employees; when it finds a match, it will report the information to the state, which then will arrange to garnish the wages of the delinquent parent. The registry was proposed by the President in 1994 and enacted as part of the 1996 welfare reform law. States will begin to submit their case data to HHS on October 1; HHS expects to have 30 states in its system by the end of October and 40 states by the end of the year. We could unveil the new registry anytime in October.

Work Participation Rates and Other Statistics: In late October, the President could visit a welfare-to-work program and announce (1) new state work participation rates, showing that almost all states are meeting the welfare law's single-parent requirements, but some are failing to meet the law's separate two-parent requirement; (2) new caseload data showing continuing

Privacy

declines; and (3) new data on the number of people who were on welfare in 1997 and working in March 1998.

Tobacco

OSHA Rule: The President could sign an Executive Order directing OSHA to issue within one year a standard establishing a smoke-free workplace for all private sector employees. OSHA has been working since 1991 on a standard regulating all indoor air pollutants (including but not limited to environmental tobacco smoke), but is years away from completing the standard, principally because there is scanty scientific evidence to justify the regulation of certain non-ETS pollutants. If the President ordered a separate standard only on ETS, OSHA believes it could complete the work within a year. The resulting standard would be similar to the August 1997 Executive Order banning smoking in federal buildings.

Counteradvertising: In an event focusing on counteradvertising, the President could direct HHS to: (1) designate the CDC's Media Campaign Resource Center as a National Clearinghouse on Tobacco Counteradvertising; (2) collect and disseminate a package of the top-10 advertisements for preventing youth smoking, and make these available to states and organizations for television placement free of charge; and (3) make effective anti-tobacco curriculum available to every school. Supermodel Christy Turlington and the musical group "Boyz II Men" have made PSAs that would be among the top-10 package, and we could invite them to participate in the event.

Department of Defense Anti-Tobacco Plan: The President could help unveil the DOD's new comprehensive anti-tobacco plan. This plan includes: health plan coverage of over-the-counter nicotine replacement therapies; an extensive counteradvertising campaign; and the incorporation of anti-tobacco messages into military education and training programs. The total cost is about \$60 million. The Secretary of Defense and/or Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff could join the President.

Food Safety

Salmonella and Research: The President could announce a preliminary USDA study showing that salmonella risks have declined by almost 50 percent in chicken and almost 40 percent in swine, largely because of the HACCP program. At the same time, he could participate in a kind of "show and tell" event demonstrating the importance of research to food safety, showing for example how federal research has led to technologies dramatically reducing salmonella in chicken and e-coli in cows.

Service

Americorps 100,000th Member Event: CNS is planning national service events in Washington and around the country on October 23 to celebrate the swearing-in of the 100,000th Americorps member. At this event (or at some other time), the President also could announce: (1) new grants

to support 500-1000 Americorps Promise Fellowships to support the goals set at the Presidents' Summit; (2) the recipients of the President's Service Awards, the nation's highest volunteer service award; and (3) the recipients of the President's Student Service Awards.

Community Empowerment

Individual Development Accounts: The President may have an opportunity to sign a bill to provide funds for IDAs, which the President has supported since 1992. At the bill signing, the President could announce that he is sending a letter to the bank regulators asking that IDA accounts count towards a financial institution's CRA requirements.



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Event Ideas

February 20, 1997

NOTE FOR RAHM EMANUEL

FROM: Nancy-Ann Min *NAM*

SUBJECT: Florida "Healthy Kids" Program

I've attached more information about Florida's "Healthy Kids" initiative, through which low-income kids in grades K-12 are allowed to purchase subsidized health coverage insurance. The article indicates that this program is funded partly through state general revenue funds (25%), partly through local and county budgets (40%), and partly through families' premium payments (35%). Florida views the program as a bridge between Medicaid and employer-sponsored coverage.

Interestingly, this piece quotes a survey of participants in the "Healthy Kids" initiative as saying that they preferred subsidized health coverage to a tax credit for families who purchase health coverage.

I believe HHS is working to put together more information about Florida's program as well as some of the others we discussed, but I thought this might be useful to get us started in thinking about whether this program might be a good one for the President to highlight as a state-sponsored effort to cover more children that would be pushed forward by our FY 1998 "state partnership" grants.

cc: Bruce Reed
Chris Jennings

On behalf of the nation's attorneys general, Indiana prosecuting attorney Michael Barnes testified Feb. 18 that if privacy rules were to place limits on "timely access" to medical information by law enforcement bodies, "it would most certainly work to the severe detriment of those who suffer the most from crime — the victims."

Looking ahead to technological advances, subcommittee Chairman Robert Gellman, a privacy and information policy consultant, inquired whether law enforcers would directly scan electronically through emergency room records. Barnes said it wasn't a "realistic probability" in the near future, but objected to the idea Gellman raised of being prohibited from direct ER record access.

Gellman also asked the law enforcers whether access to coded/anonymous medical records would be sufficient in their fraud investigations. Gallagher responded that such limited records would only be helpful in certain situations, such as a physician billing for services while out of the country.

The law enforcement community's stance on the issue is at clear odds with that of health care providers. The American Medical Association testified Feb. 18 that it believes exceptions to requiring patient consent to disclosure of medical records must be "minimal and narrowly drawn." Law enforcement entities, according to AMA, "should be required to show 'probable cause' in establishing why medical records should be divulged without the patient's consent, and the particular information required to meet the immediate law enforcement purpose should be specified."

The American Psychiatric Association testified that police agencies should be barred from access to records without patient consent "unless a court — following a full adversarial hearing — has concluded that the law enforcement interests outweigh the interests of the patient." APA also stated that medical records obtained to investigate physicians must not be used "in any way" against patients. At the same time, APA stated that patients' "access to their records should not be absolute."

SUBSIDIZED PREMIUM ASSISTANCE FAVORED OVER TAX CREDIT BY FLORIDA'S WORKING POOR, according to a survey of 175 low-income working families conducted by the Florida Healthy Kids Corp., an organization created in 1990 with a mandate from the state legislature to expand coverage among non-Medicaid eligible uninsured children.

Participants were randomly selected from a group of families applying to the Florida "Healthy Kids" initiative, a state-administered and funded program implemented in 1992 that uses the purchasing clout of county school districts to purchase managed care benefits for low-income children grades K-12.

Asked to choose between "a program [that] could provide health insurance at a greatly reduced price so that comprehensive coverage is affordable to families" and "a tax credit or reduced income tax for families who purchase health insurance for their children," 90% said they preferred subsidized premium assistance.

The Florida program has attracted interest among some federal lawmakers, most notably House Ways & Means Democrats. Administration officials say that President Clinton's \$750 mil. per year state grant proposal for expanding coverage among uninsured children could allow programs like Florida's to cover many more so-called "gap" kids, children whose working parents make too much money to qualify for Medicaid and who also lack private coverage.

According to Rose Naff, executive director of the Florida Healthy Kids Corp., the program now has about 26,000 children enrolled in nine counties. Another 8,000 applications are being processed now as a result of last year's expansion of the program by the state legislature to another seven counties. Beyond those 16, an additional 12 counties have expressed interest in participating.

Whether more can be accommodated depends in part on funding levels approved by the legislature, which will convene for the 1997 session next month. The state's budget proposal, submitted in January by Gov. Lawton

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Chiles (D), features a request for an additional \$15.5 mil. in general revenues, according to Naff, up from the \$13 mil. approved last year.

In addition to general revenue support (about 25% of premium costs), funding comes from local and community budgets (40%) and participating families' premiums (35%). Premium subsidies are available for enrollees with incomes up to 185% of poverty, Naff said, with most families paying "at least something" — even "nominal amounts" from those with the most modest incomes of a few dollars per month. The monthly payments help give low-income working families a concrete sense of "the value attached" to the coverage, she said.

Experience of several years suggests that the Florida program serves as "a bridge" to other coverage, Naff said, generally as a transition from Medicaid to employer-sponsored coverage. In other cases, the program covers those families who have lost private-sector coverage, and who may eventually qualify for Medicaid. As a result of the program, the state's estimated penetration rate among uninsured children is now about 50%.

Brochures describing the "Healthy Kids" initiative explain that school districts are responsible for contracting with managed care plans. They also "verify student enrollment, distribute marketing materials and applications, provide parent outreach, enhance health education opportunities, and provide interpreters and translators for program activities and materials."

The benefits package is not as rich as that offered by Medicaid, but represents a "very high...benefits floor" covering "wellness all the way through transplants," Naff explained. Costs per child to date have been low, at about \$50 per month. Contracts — with a single plan — are for two years, with two one-year options to renew.

Further expansion of the Florida model will be realized in 1998, when \$3 mil. in grant funding from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation will be awarded to another seven states. Naff, who also chairs the RWJ "Healthy Kids Replication Project," said that 31 states have called to express interest in attending a foundation-sponsored meeting in Dallas the week of Feb. 24.

NIH GRANTS TO MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS IN LIEU OF ACADEMIC MEDICAL CENTERS may be a more efficient way to support clinical research, Jeffrey Harris, Massachusetts General Hospital, suggested at a recent conference in Bethesda, Maryland. "Health plans having received an NIH subsidy would then subcontract as necessary with an academic medical center for certain research services," he explained.

Using the example of research on surgery versus irradiation for localized prostate cancer, Harris stated: "It is a legitimate question to ask whether an NIH grant to an HMO — let's say one with a Medicare waiver that has appropriately elderly subjects — or possibly a consortium of Medicare HMOs, might be capable of higher patient accrual than has been observed in such trials so far. I don't think it's far-fetched to ask whether a corporate

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February 10, 1997

NOTE FOR RAHM EMANUEL

FROM: NANCY-ANN MIN *NAM*

SUBJECT: IDEA FOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF IMMUNIZATION RATES

This note will explain the message I left for you last week about my idea for a possible Presidential event concerning the success of the Childhood Immunization Initiative, which was launched in 1993. I have just learned that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) plans to announce new childhood immunization rates which show that the Nation has met the President's immunization goals in 1995 -- ahead of the scheduled date of 1996.

CDC Plans to Publish Good News

CDC plans to publish updated children's immunization rates in the February 28 issue of the *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report* (MMWR), a weekly CDC publication containing articles on public health information and disease surveillance. The updated figures will contain estimated immunization rates for the full 1995 calendar year, and will show continued improvement in immunization rates.

At this point, you are undoubtedly wondering (1) why would CDC announce news like this in something called the *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*? (Good question, and the answer is, they always do it that way); and (2) why are we just now getting information about what happened in 1995? (Another good question; the answer is a long, annoying story that has to do with unavoidable lags in data gathering).

The good news is that estimates for the fourth quarter of 1995 will show immunization rates met the Administration's goals for 1996. (The goals came from a report called Healthy People 2000 that I believe was developed during the Bush Administration; specifically, they call for achieving a 90% immunization rate among two year-olds for most vaccinations against diseases like diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, measles, polio, and others, and 70% for Hepatitis B).

Some Caveats Apply

Let me note two points in the "bad news" category just so you're aware of them. First, these data reflect immunization rates among children born from February 1992 to March 1994 -- all before implementation of the Vaccines For Children program began in October, 1994. Therefore, some might say that the new rates show the program was never necessary in the first place; however,

we can respond that the high immunization rates reflect the President's focus on immunizing children since he took office. No one can disagree that this has been a particular focus of the Administration; indeed, we have been criticized for it. Second, the annual rate for immunization with the full series of all recommended immunizations (i.e., the percentage of two year-olds who have had all the immunizations, as opposed to the percentage who have had each individual immunization), remains steady at 75%, rather than rising. My response to that would be that immunization with the full series was not one of the 1996 goals; rather, HHS' goal is to raise this "series" immunization rate to 90% among two-year olds in 2000, and we are on track to do just that..

We Should Consider a White House Announcement

I think we should consider an event that will underscore the leadership of the President and the First Lady in this area.

cc: Bruce Reed
Don Baer
Ann Lewis

File:
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
MEMORANDUM

February 7, 1997

TO: Rahm Emanuel
Ann Lewis

FROM: Chris Jennings *CCJ*

SUBJECT: Health Care Events

CC: Bruce Reed
Gene Sperling
Melanne Verveer
Elena Kagan
Kathy Wallman
Pauline Abernathy

As you requested, following is a description of potential Presidential events on health care. Except for the event on home health quality, the scheduling of these events have time constraints over which we have little control. As a result, we should probably schedule these events quickly to maximize the President's ability to be involved.

① Improving Home Care Quality

Purpose: To highlight the Administration's commitment to assuring high quality Medicare home health services. Validation for the need for these new home health regulations will come from aging advocates (e.g., AARP), non-profit health care providers (e.g., National Association of Home Care), and the Department of Health and Human Services.

Status: The regulations described have been cleared and may be released at any time. One week's notice will be needed to get appropriate validation from outside groups.

② Medicaid Anti-Gag Clarification

Purpose: To underscore the President's support of bipartisan legislation to ensure that all health plans do not restrict communication between health care providers and their patients. The President recently took action to clarify that all Medicare beneficiaries have this protection.

Status: The clarification is ready to go; its release should not be delayed much beyond late February or the news value may be lost. (Already some states may be sending out similar directives to their managed care contractors based on their sense that this clarification is coming).

⑤ Fighting Fraud and Abuse

Purpose: The Inspector General and the Department of Justice has scheduled a major announcement on fraud and abuse enforcement activities in clinical labs. In particular, this event could highlight Federal efforts to collect \$500 million in overpayments. Combined with a series of legislative and regulatory initiatives, a strong event may be developed. (As you know, the public attributes rising health care costs to health care fraud and abuse).

Status: Scheduled for release around February 25.

⑥ Charging the Quality Commission to Develop a "Consumer Bill of Rights"

Purpose: To make a formal announcement of the members of the Advisory Commission on Quality and Consumer Protection in the Health Care Industry and charge the Advisory Commission to develop a "health care consumer bill of rights." This Advisory Commission will have broad representation by: consumers, health care professionals, health care insurers, state and local government and experts on health care quality. This event will be well received by most health advocates and provider groups who are concerned about managed care practices, but are also starting to become concerned about "rifle-shot" approaches to federal oversight of managed care.

Status: Ready in early March.

⑦ Assuring care for women after a mastectomy (tentatively scheduled for the First Lady)

Purpose: To demonstrate the President's support for legislation to guarantee that a woman can stay in the hospital for 48 hours after a mastectomy. Representative DeLauro, the bill's primary sponsor, will hold an event this week to collect petitions in support of her legislation. This event could be combined with an announcement by the Department of Health and Human Services, presented by Secretary Shalala at her Ways & Means hearing on Wednesday morning, to clarify that Medicare already provides this coverage to the over 50,000 elderly women who need it every year. (DHHS is ready to go with this).

Status: Tentatively scheduled for this Wednesday in the East Room.

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January 5, 1997

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cc: Elena
Diana -
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: PHIL CAPLAN *PC*
HELEN HOWELL

SUBJECT: Recent Information Items

We are forwarding the following recent information items:

*Rob Fersh
Let's discuss*

(A) **Rob Fersh memo on after-school care initiative.** Via Leon who says it is a great idea and possible proposal for your State of the Union. Fersh suggests that the issue could take off with some strategic small investments, "an appropriate 'bully pulpit' sharing of model programs," rather than a large new federal program. He stresses the increased need for extended day care for children, especially given the strict work requirements of welfare reform. This care could be part of your "welfare to work" initiatives and would dovetail well with your literacy initiative. Fersh cites as an example, LA's BEST, a year-round, after-school program for 4500 inner city elementary school children. The program has resulted in reduced crime and enhanced school performance. *We have sent Fersh's memo to Bruce Reed.*

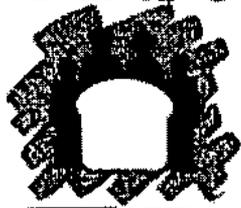
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(B) **Ickes Inaugural memos.** 1) The *planning and budget* basically are on track: estimated revenues of \$25.6 million for Gala, parade and 14 balls; total estimated revenues of \$30.4 million and total estimated expenses \$35.7 million. As of January 2: 6,620 of the 10,839 Gala tickets sold; 9,700 of the 36,600 Parade tickets sold; approximately 30,000 of the 67,000 ball tickets sold. McAuliffe is confident ticket sales will meet projections. Gary Smith reports Gala is in better shape now at this point than four years ago. Debbie Willhite reports the parade and the mall events are in good shape with the exception of the "talkers" tent. 2) The *Inaugural and Martin Luther King's birthday* are on January 20 this year. The Inaugural will pay tribute to Dr. King by staging a musical on Sunday, January 19 in one of the two tents on the Mall about Dr. King. The musical is by Maya Angelou, et al., and opened in London several years ago. According to Ann Jordan, Mrs. King is delighted. 3) The *PIC web site* is WWW.INAUGURAL97.COM.

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(C) **McCaffrey memo on response to Administration's position on Arizona and California drug initiatives.** There has been wide print and TV coverage, mostly focused on the impact on doctors who recommend or prescribe marijuana or other Schedule I drugs. Both the AMA and the California Medical Association support your call for research on marijuana's medical effectiveness. The General thinks that "it[s] essential that we remain prepared to reschedule marijuana as a Schedule II drug if the medical evidence supports a conclusion that the drug does have effective therapeutic uses."

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MEMORANDUM

*To the President -
great idea! a
possible program for
State of the Union*

DATE: December 17, 1996
TO: Leon E. Panetta, White House Chief of Staff
FROM: Rob Ferish *Rob* *Regards & best wishes for the holidays!*
RE: After School Care Initiative

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I appreciated the call the other night and wish you all the best. Here are a few thoughts, per your request, on after school care.

Carla Sanger is a former teacher who runs a year-round, after school hours program for 4500 inner city Los Angeles elementary school children. This past May, at our national conference, she described after school care as an idea whose time has come. She compared it to the movement that swept the country over a century ago to implement kindergarten programs.

For a whole variety of reasons, it makes sense to elevate after school care, or the somewhat broader concept of "school aged child care." I sense this issue could take off with some strategic small investments, rather than some large new federal program. With an appropriate "bully pulpit", sharing of model programs, and enrollment of key public and private partners, there could be tremendous movement on this issue.

Here's why it makes sense and fits with the President's priorities:

1. There is increased need for extended day care for children, especially given welfare reform and strict work requirements.
2. Providing this care also should be integral to the President's efforts on "welfare to work" initiatives. It is not only a matter of having the private sector find jobs. These programs can prepare youngsters for the world of work. Many of them are not job ready.
3. After school care would dovetail wonderfully with the President's initiative on literacy. It is an ideal time for mentors and volunteers to work with children.
4. After school programming works. Carla Sanger's program, LA's BEST, has been evaluated over and over again with findings ranging from reduced crime to enhanced school performance. Research on other programs had similar findings.
5. After school programming can be key to reducing teen-age pregnancy, in addition to providing a safe haven for children and deterring crime and gang involvement.
6. There are a variety of public and private partners and models that can be encouraged. The Urban League, the Boys and Girls Clubs, the Y's, 4-H Clubs--as well as school systems, recreation departments, housing authorities, and a variety of community based organizations view this as a priority.

The bottom line is that this makes sense--whether its for safety, mentoring, literacy, work preparation, child care, or compensating for what some families cannot provide on their own. The likely result is much deeper community involvement with these children, at the same time that

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parents can be given some help or even included in parenting programs as well. I can see a wide variety of people endorsing this--ranging from police, to education, to community development, to child care, to business, to literacy, to mentoring, to nutrition, to pro-private charity groups.

I cannot tell you all the public policy elements/proposals that should be included. We have gotten involved because there is widespread agreement that feeding children is critical to the success of these programs. Food not only draws them in, but it contributes to better performance and attentiveness.

In the food area, there are some relatively low-cost proposals worth doing. The primary program utilized to feed children outside school hours is the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Here are some needed changes:

- The Reagan cuts of 1981 limited CACFP to children 12 and under. The age limit should be raised, preferably to 18.
- For schools that want to operate after school or summer programming, they must apply separately and keep different books from those kept for School Lunch and Breakfast. We should allow them to coordinate the paperwork.
- There are some unnecessarily strict licensing requirements that programs must meet to qualify as "a child care center" in order to get food reimbursements.

In addition to these changes, I would suggest an federal inter-agency task force be created to coordinate the work of all federal agencies with an interest--presumably USDA, HHS, Education, Labor, HUD, Justice, and perhaps others. A review should be made of existing education, child care, community development and other funding streams to see if promotion of after school programs can occur through them. Additional earmarked (possibly pilot project or model program) money should be considered.

In addition, all the public and private players on this issue should be convened so that successful models can be identified and effective grassroots strategies can be promoted. This clearly is an initiative that each community should tailor to its own needs. Often, though, people who should be talking with each other do not know of their mutual interests. Heightened Presidential interest, and at least a sprinkling of money, has a way of galvanizing communities.

I hope you find this of interest. I think an initial, small gathering of some key backers of this concept--such as Hugh Price, Marian Edelman, the CEO of Boys and Girls Clubs, one or more education leaders, myself and a few others (including a grassroots operator) could really move this initiative forward quickly. Also included might be a corporation that already supports this concept philanthropically -- perhaps IBM, a leader in education, or Monsanto, already deeply involved in the President's welfare to work initiative and a primary funder of the Urban League after school initiative.

THE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN TO PREVENT
TEEN PREGNANCY

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cc: Lynn EK

File: Event ideas

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January 29, 1997

Mr. Bruce Reed
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The White House
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Dear Bruce:

The National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy will celebrate its first birthday in the Spring of 1997. In these early months, all of us have worked hard to get the Campaign off the ground and it is time to celebrate our efforts and to make a clear statement to the public about the importance of preventing teen pregnancy.

Toward that end, we are planning a formal "launch" of the Campaign in early May and ask that you save **May 1 and 2 for the Campaign launch**. Because May is "Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month," we have a special opportunity to host a variety of events that will focus the public's attention on this issue. Attached to this letter is a **tentative schedule of launch events** designed to involve all members of the Campaign Board and four Task Forces. In essence, we plan a **Board meeting** the afternoon of May 1 followed by a **celebratory dinner for all members of the Board and four Task Forces, our Congressional advisory panel, foundation supporters and friends**. We plan to invite a high-profile speaker and will honor several groups and individuals whose work embodies various Campaign themes. The next day we will hold a **public forum** sponsored by our Congressional advisory panel. This forum will be followed by a **press conference**.

As you may know from Lynn Hogan, we very much want to involve the White House in the launch. One option would be a reception for our Board and Task Forces the afternoon of May 1. Another option would be for the President, First Lady or Vice President to speak at our dinner on May 1. I think this is a great opportunity to showcase the President's commitment to preventing teen pregnancy and his role in stimulating this private sector effort.

Please let me know what we can do to work with you on this effort. If your schedule permits, I'd like to brief you further on our plan and get your thoughts and advice.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



Isabel V. Sawhill

P.S. -
I'm also
working on
welfare reform
issues and hope
we can stay in touch
on this as well

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National Campaign Launch Tentative Agenda

May, 1997: Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month

THURSDAY, MAY 1

- **Board of Directors Meeting** 12:00-4:00 p.m.
- **Celebratory Dinner** 6:00-9:00 p.m.
A prominent speaker will be invited to address the Campaign's Board of Directors, Task Force members, supporters, and honorees. The Campaign will recognize outstanding work and innovation in various areas that embody key Campaign themes.

FRIDAY, MAY 2

- **Possible Forum on Teen Pregnancy Prevention, Capitol Hill** 10:00 a.m.-12 p.m.
This forum will explore what works and why. Speakers may include Members of Congress; practitioners from the field; and local teens. Forum is open to the press.
- **Possible Press Conference, Capitol Hill** 12:00-1:00 p.m.
Campaign leadership will be joined by Members of Congress (tentative) and community leaders to talk about teen pregnancy prevention to the press.

SATURDAY, MAY 3 [tentative]

- **"Town Meeting" at Black Entertainment Television** Time TBA
Local teens, a celebrity host, and issue experts will discuss teen pregnancy prevention during a live, nationally-televised Town Meeting hosted by Black Entertainment Television (BET). This kicks off BET's week of teen pregnancy prevention programming on "Teen Summit," BET's daily show for teens. [Board and Task Force members are welcome at this town meeting, but attendance is optional.]

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Memo: Jan. 27, 1997
To: Bruce Reed
Fr: Will Marshall
Re: Community Empowerment

I think it's crucial that the President include in his SOTU address a pointed challenge to Congress to join him in a major push to reduce inner city poverty. He should present this as the logical continuation of a step-by-step strategy for radically refashioning U.S. social policy. As we replace welfare with a work-based system, we also need a new approach to the cities that emphasizes job creation, entrepreneurship and civic initiative.

Here's the case for making community empowerment -- a strategy for attacking inner city poverty with new weapons -- a central theme not only of the speech but of the second term.

First, the President will only build a legacy of historic proportions by tackling big challenges and taking risks. America's biggest and most intractable social dilemmas -- the isolation and concentration of the minority poor and racial inequality -- converge in the inner cities. What's needed is a real plan for moving the underclass toward the middle class.

Second, a new community empowerment initiative would build on the Administration's first-term efforts to replace top-down urban programs with bottom-up efforts to revitalize cities "from the inside out." Third, it would show that New Democrats want to replace handouts with real opportunities to work, save, build assets and achieve economic mobility. (That draws the crucial distinction between us and Republicans who are mainly interested in cutting costs and castigating the undeserving poor.) Fourth, it would shift the racial debate from intractable divisions over preferences to actions that break down the barriers between isolated urban minorities and the mainstream -- actions that can win broad support because they focus on building capacities and reinforcing the right values rather than subsidizing dysfunction and dependence. Fifth, it would preempt and possibly coopt the "empowerment conservatives" who are busy fashioning their own agenda for fighting poverty.

Given the interest of Coats, Kemp, Watts, Talent and even Gingrich in applying capitalist and volunteerist remedies to the inner city's ills, there is real potential here for building a center-out coalition. Also imagine the President (and Veep) hosting a summit later this year with the Now Wave mayors: Norquist, White, Guilliani, Schundler, etc., market-oriented thinkers like Micheal Porter and community activists and CDC leaders. It would offer a chance to highlight the good news coming out of urban America while sending a powerful signal that Washington's approach to the cities is dramatically changing.

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Here are some thoughts about possible elements in a comprehensive community empowerment strategy:

* Target the new charter schools money at failing urban school systems, a move that might blunt the conservative drive toward vouchers. Also, press for more rigorous testing of public school teachers as well as alternative certification to allow talented people in.

* Link full funding for the 100,000 (or 125,000) cops to agreement by localities to adopt community policing strategies.

* Include the President's \$2 billion "brownfields" initiative to speed commercial development of vacant urban buildings and spaces.

In "Building the Bridge," we outlined a three-part strategy for helping cities help themselves:

1) Connect the inner cities to markets. The President should say it is time to stop expanding social programs that merely reshuffle wealth and instead pursue a market-based strategy for creating wealth in the inner city. The key is to use federal resources to leverage private investment in housing and businesses in low-income communities. Obviously empowerment zones and community banks fit as well.

2) Replace welfare with new empowerment policies that buttress the new emphasis on economic development: a competitive job placement and support system, IDAs to encourage personal saving and asset-building, microenterprise to promote self-employment and entrepreneurial values.

3) Shift control over decisions and resources from central bureaucracies and professional service providers to community groups and individual citizens. The President should tout the emergence of the community development corporations and their support networks as an alternate means for channeling federal aid to needy communities. He should announce new efforts to promote tenant management of public housing. And he should also give at least a rhetorical boost to the vital role that charitable and religious institutions (especially the black churches) must play in developing their communities assets and changing peoples' lives.

There's more detail in the book. The main point is, there's a real opportunity to reinforce promising trends in the cities with a new federal urban strategy that centers on markets and community empowerment. This will answer critics on the left who assume that compassion can only take the form of top-down welfare paternalism, while challenging conservative critics of welfare and affirmative action to put something behind their rhetorical invocations of equal opportunity.

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January 31, 1997

EVENT - IDEAS

NOTE FOR: GENE SPERLING
BRUCE REED
MIKE SMITH
KEN APFEL
JOSH GOTBAUM
ALICIA MUNNELL

FROM: TIM BARNICLE *TB*

SUBJECT: Employment Councils

In his January 28 press conference, the President mentioned that if every community in the country set up an employment council like that in Kansas City, it would help very significantly in meeting the requirements of the welfare reform bill. (See attachment.)

The Kansas City Council mentioned by the President is a Private Industry Council established under the Job Training Partnership Act. We have 640 of these business-led councils in place that encompass every community in the country. Under this Administration they have played a critical role in the key reforms we have initiated -- e.g., One-Stop, School-to-Work, etc. -- and could do so again under welfare reform.

Council membership includes 9,000 plus business volunteers as well as representatives of labor unions, schools and colleges, community-based organizations and other agencies. These councils oversee the training and placement into jobs of welfare recipients, other low income adults and youth, and dislocated workers. They also play a significant oversight role for localities engaged in building One-Stop Career Center and School-to-Work systems.

These employment councils have evolved since 1979, and many are outstanding. As with any nationwide infrastructure, the performance of councils is in some places at some times less than great, but by and large, they do a very good job. A strong, organized, and experienced private sector role is critical to the success of the Welfare-to-Work challenge, and I was particularly pleased to hear the President recognize these councils for the key role in moving people from welfare to work.

Attachment

cc: Cynthia Metzler
Kitty Higgins

January 28, 1997

PRESS CONFERENCE OF THE PRESIDENT

2:30 P.M. EST

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

January 28, 1997

PRESS CONFERENCE OF THE PRESIDENT

East Room

2:30 P.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Good afternoon. Please be seated. Before I take your questions, I would like to make a brief statement about the balanced budget that I will send to Congress next week.

This budget shows that we can meet two of our most crucial national priorities at the same time. It proves we can protect our children from a future burden by reckless debt even as we give them the educational opportunities they need to make the most of the 21st century.

The budget finally moves us beyond the false choices that have held us back for too long and shows that we can cut our debt and invest in our children. The budget will help to renew our public schools. It will expand Head Start, help rebuild crumbling classrooms. It will double funding for public charter schools, giving parents more choice in how they educate their children. It will increase funding for Goals 2000 by 26 percent. And it will help our students to reach high standards and master the basics of reading, writing, math and science.

It will also enable us to connect our schools and our libraries to the Information Superhighway. The budget more than doubles our investment in technology to hook our children up to computers and the Internet and it increases by one-third our investment in partnerships with teachers and industries to develop quality educational programming and technology. In short, the budget will connect our children to the best educational technology in the world.

It will also open the doors of college education wider than ever before. I'd like to take a minute now simply to outline

about the entire process?

THE PRESIDENT: Well, to answer your first question, I'm going to take Bob Dole's advice because that's a decision for the Attorney General to make. And to answer your second question, yes, healthy skepticism is warranted. But keep in mind, I would say to the skeptics, the vast majority -- indeed, a huge percentage, way, way over 90 percent -- I don't know what it would be -- the vast majority of the money that was raised by both the Democrats and the Republicans was raised by -- in a perfectly lawful fashion, completely consistent with the requirements of the law. The vast majority of the people who gave money to both the Democrats and the Republicans were people who believed passionately in the course that those two parties were pursuing and the candidates and what they were trying to do, and to their House committees and their Senate committees.

The problem is that the margins create great problems because of the sheer volume of money that is being raised today. As I said before, it's too much money, takes too much time to raise, raises too many questions. And the cynicism is well -- and the skepticism is well-founded. If it becomes cynicism then it removes the incentive on the part of the Congress to pass campaign finance reform because cynics will say it won't make any difference anyway.

If you look at the present campaign laws, I think you can make a compelling case. I have not heard this point made, but I believe it to be true. I believe when these reforms arose out of the Watergate thing back in the mid '70s, I think they worked pretty well for several years. I believe they elevated the reputation of politics and I think the reforms worked pretty well.

What happened is, no system in a world changing like ours can be maintained indefinitely, because the economy changes and particularly -- look at how your work has changed. When you travel with me, you carry these little computers around and you run these pictures up on computers and you send them from the plane somewhere else. I mean, just think of all the things that have changed. This system has not been fixed in over 20 years. During that 20 years, there has been an explosion in ways of communicating with people, and an exponential increase in the cost of communicating. And a system which I would argue to you really worked pretty well, after it was passed in '74 and going forward has been overtaken by events.

So, cynical, no; healthy skepticism, you bet. We should always be skeptical. But we need to change the system. It's got to be -- it's just outdated.

Q Mr. President, what specific mechanisms do you plan on working with the private sector in terms of creating more welfare jobs for people who are on welfare?

THE PRESIDENT: Primarily two. One, I will offer a special tax incentive -- there was a story about it today, I think in The New York Times -- a special tax incentive. It will be a 50-percent credit for up to \$10,000 a year in pay for people who are clearly, provably hired from welfare and put into new jobs.

Secondly, we have given the states -- and there was a story, I think, in the Post today talking about how a lot of the states are trying to push this down to the community level -- that's good, that's not bad, that's good, as long as they give the

communities the means they need.

The second thing is that every community should know that the employers in that community, if they hire people from welfare to work, can get what used to be the welfare check for at least a year to use as an employment and training subsidy. Why? The welfare rolls have gone down \$2.1 million in the last four years; it's the biggest drop in history. I think a fair reading of it would say about half of this decline came from an improved economy, and about half of it came from intensified efforts to move people from welfare to work. Now, I don't have any scientific division, but anyway, there's some division there.

The rest of the people that are on welfare now, by and large, are people who will be more difficult to move from welfare to work and stay there. So I think we're going to have to give some incentives. But if it works and if every community in the country would set up an employment council and turn this into a family and an employment program like Kansas City, and all employers have those two incentives, I think we'll be able to meet the requirements of this welfare reform bill in a way that will be good for the people on welfare and good for their kids.

Kathy.

Q Mr. President, the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee over the weekend laid down some markers for what he thinks would create chances for your budget to be alive on arrival on the Hill. On welfare one of the things he mentioned was increased spending for legal immigrants, and he said he hoped you wouldn't insist on it. How do you deal with that in your budget, and will you continue to insist on it?

THE PRESIDENT: Let me say, I like Mr. Archer very much and we've had a good relationship, and I appreciate what he said about me meeting him halfway on Medicare. But there have been reports in the last couple of days about Republican governors with high immigrant populations coming back to their Republican congressional leaders and saying, please reconsider this.

My budget will contain funds and propose changes consistent with the promises I made when I signed the welfare reform bill and when I campaigned to the American people on this issue. I believe that the bill is counterproductive in the way it treats legal immigrants, who through no fault of their own wind up in desperate circumstances and in other ways that I think are not good for families and children.

So I will propose some changes. And I hope that when we get all through here -- again, I hope this will be treated just like the budget issue -- I would ask our friends on the Republican side and the Democrats who care as passionately about this as I do to keep our powder dry. Let us make our case on the merits. Let them hear from the Republican governors of places like Texas and New York that have these huge immigrant populations of good people that are making great contributions to this country, that are working like crazy and making this a better place, and listen to the practical impact of the law that's now there on the immigrant population. And I'm not sure we can't get some changes. I'm very hopeful that we can, and I'm going to give it my very best effort.

Q ; Mr. President --

THE PRESIDENT: Wait a minute, I'll take a couple of more. Just a minute.

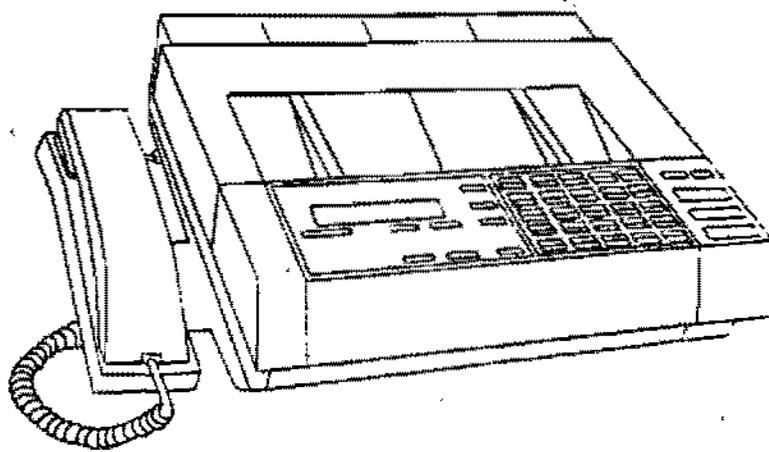
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Attached is our proposed outline of FMLA activities. Please call either of us with comments.

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FAMILY & MEDICAL LEAVE ACT ACTIVITIES

January 13, 1997

The following is a series of "products" related to the Family and Medical Leave Act that we can launch in the next year.

There are three obvious dates off which to pivot:

- February 5, 1997:** 4 year anniversary of the date the President signed FMLA into law.
April 30, 1997: 1 year anniversary of the date of the Commission on Leave's Report to Congress on Family and Medical Leave Policies, "A Workable Balance."
August 5, 1997: 4 year anniversary of the effective date of FMLA.

For the most part, the dates assigned each "product" are flexible; they can be rolled out in various orders in various months. Each potential event could include Presidential participation or Secretarial participation or both.

DELIVERABLES

January 21, 1997 (already scheduled): A Child's Wish

-CBS will air "A Child's Wish" on stations across the country. "A Child's Wish" is a made-for television movie starring John Ritter, Tess Harper and Anna Klomsky, and includes a cameo appearance by the President. The film is based on the true stories of Dixie Yendell and Melissa Weaver (merged for the movie into one child). Dixie and Melissa were two young children who died of cancer, but whose families were able to spend more time with their critically ill daughters because of the FMLA. The President met both of the families. When Kenny Weaver (Melissa's father) met the President at the White House, he said, "If you ever wonder that your being President means something, please know how much you have affected my life."

January 21, 1997 -- Toll Free Phone Number (tentatively scheduled): DOL Toll Free Number for Information on FMLA. Following "A Child's Wish," CBS will air a 15 second public service announcement of an 800 number (1-800-959-FMLA) which the public can call to access information about the FMLA. The toll free number will be available January 21. The hotline will assist members of the public in determining what their rights are under the Act and how to proceed if their rights are being violated.

February 5, 1997:

State of the Union. Currently, the State of the Union address is scheduled to coincide with the four year anniversary of the date the President signed the Family and Medical Leave Act into law. Assuming the Administration decides to go forward with legislation to expand FMLA, the President could announce his plan at the State of the Union. The President could note this anniversary in the speech and announce his plan to expand the

Act with a message along the lines of "Four years ago today, I signed into law the Family and Medical Leave Act which has enabled many Americans to care for a newborn or adopted child or sick relative without fear of losing their job. I think we can and should do more to protect the jobs of Americans who are taking responsibility for their families. That is why today I am submitting to you the next generation of this Act -- the Family Family Workplace Act of 1997 -- which will make it possible for even more working men and women to avail themselves of family leave."

Public Service Announcement. To amplify the State of the Union Announcement, we could kick off a PSA effort on February 5 around the toll-free phone number. Like the Labor Department's orchestrated with minimum wage, pensions, and the "No Sweat" sweatshop eradication initiative, we could release a print and/or radio PSA on the FMLA toll free number. See attached examples of PSAs developed by the Department. Our experience is that these are picked up heavily by local outlets and millions of individuals can be reached at virtually no cost. For example, in only a few month period, our "No Sweat" print and radio PSA appeared in 688 print outlets in 29 states with a combined circulation of 43.5 million, and the radio PSA was aired by over 600 stations in 48 states with a combined listenership of 14 million, totaling more than 50 million "hits."

April & June 1997: Reports on FMLA Usage and Impact on Businesses/ Quarterly Wage & Hour Reports. The Department could produce and release two different reports analyzing data on FMLA. In addition, we could further promote the Wage and Hour Quarterly reports.

Report on Employer Usage presenting new analysis of data from the April, 1996

Commission report. The Dept. of Labor's Office of the Chief Economist could release a new empirical analysis of the data that were released last April by the Commission on Family and Medical Leave. This analysis would examine the impact and cost of implementing the FMLA by business size, with particular attention to the policy debate on extending FMLA to smaller businesses. The paper would also look at the combination of family characteristics and employment circumstances that result in higher usage of FMLA. Finally, it would identify the factors that predict which firms are most likely to offer family leave benefits that are more generous than those required under FMLA.

Composite Report Incorporating Studies from Other Organizations. The Office of the Chief Economist could release a "white paper" (similar to our Fashion Industry, Health Care Costs, Minimum Wage and Productivity Studies) that reviews and synthesizes new research from organizations such as the Conference Board, the Work and Families Institute, Catalyst, and Work/Family Directions regarding FMLA and other aspects of family friendly policies. As part of this report, we would include updated indicators of the usage of FMLA since 1996, as well as recent surveys on employee and employer attitudes on the importance of family leave to their families and businesses.

August 3, 1997: Family Day: First Sunday in August. Coincident with the anniversary of the FMLA effective date, the President could establish the first Sunday in August as "Family Day." As "Mother's Day" and "Father's Day" -- designated by prior Presidents -- celebrate mothers and fathers, "Family Day" would celebrate families and the importance of policies and strategies --

such as FMLA -- that enable individuals to better balance work and family. The notion of naming the first Sunday in August "Family Day" could be announced in a radio address that weekend, or at the Vice President's annual family conference in late July.

September 1997: Announcement of Internet Site Providing Assistance on Provisions of the FMLA. The Department of Labor is beginning to develop an on-line service called, "Employment Law Assistance for Workers and Small Business" where individuals can go to the DOL Internet site, plug in certain personal or company information, and determine whether they are covered by a specific labor law. They could also obtain information on what their rights or responsibilities are under that law. We intend to establish such a site for FMLA. When the section on FMLA is operational, the President, Vice President, or Labor Secretary could announce its availability, and this could be included in another print PSA campaign.

October 1997: The President Honors Working Mother Magazine's Top 100 Companies for Working Mothers. Every October, *Working Mother* magazine honors the top 100 companies for working mothers. The list known as the "Working Mother 100" includes firms that, according to the magazine, "are role models for American business, creating workplaces that offer employees both the opportunity to advance in their careers and to have a good family life." Utilizing a *Consumer Reports* style rating system, the firms are evaluated according to several criteria including family leave -- FMLA and beyond. See attached sample from the October, 1995 release. The President could invite to the White House CEOs from the companies honored by the magazine and also announce at the same time the full list of 100.

Corporate Pledge. As part of the above event, or in addition to it, the President could host a roundtable discussion with CEOs of model family friendly companies to challenge other companies to adopt strategies to support employees as they balance work and family.

Organizing Kit. As part of the above event, or in addition to it, the Department could prepare and distribute a kit for employers, for workers, for human resources professionals and for union organizers to help members of the public in localities around the country continue the drumbeat.

LEGISLATIVE OPTIONS

Along with utilizing the above ideas to sustain an FMLA drumbeat, a strategy to expand coverage under the law presents another opportunity for the President to announce and promote family-friendly policies.

The threshold question is whether the President will repropose his "Family Friendly Workplace Act of 1996." This proposal was sent to the Hill in September but was not introduced. It could be re-proposed in its current form, in which it adds to the enacted FMLA an additional 24 hours per year for school activities and routine family medical visits (including children and older parents) and also proposes Employee Choice Flex Time. Or it could be further expanded to include a reduction in the threshold size of a business that qualifies for FMLA (from 50 employees

to 25 employees). This latter idea was discussed within the Administration last year but put on hold; as noted below, however, there is interest in it on the Hill.

This week Representative Bill Clay, the ranking member on the House Committee on Education and the Workforce introduced a bill that includes the Administration's FMLA "24 hours of leave" proposal from last fall, with an additional amendment to drop the FMLA coverage threshold from 50 to 25 employees. We estimate that the lowered threshold would make approximately 13 million more workers eligible for FMLA, increasing the number to around 80 million.

Additionally, Representative Carolyn Maloney (D-NY) introduced a bill with the threshold reduction to 25 and with provisions allowing leave for routine medical appointments, for activities such as interviewing nursing homes for one's parent(s), and for additional school-related activities. And Senator Dodd has expressed his intentions to introduce a bill on January 21, 1997, to lower the threshold to 25 employees. It will not, however, be one of the bills in the Senate leadership's ten-bill priority package.

As mentioned above, the President could make the FMLA amendments a key priority within the State of the Union address -- the timing of which coincides nearly perfectly with the anniversary of the bill signing for FMLA. The Administration would need to decide whether to expand last year's FMLA proposal, and whether to continue to link it with Employee Choice-Flex Time.

Working Mother

October 1995

Tenth anniversary

100 best companies for working mothers

by Milton Moskowitz
and Carol Townsend



100 best companies for

The 10th anniversary of this list prompts reflection and celebration.

Looking back over the past decade, we find tremendous progress for working mothers. The large number of companies responding to the family needs of women employees is truly remarkable. Who could have imagined that IBM would set up a \$50 million fund marked for child and elder care? Or that Johnson & Johnson would have four on-site daycares plus a network of family child care homes to care for the children of its employees? Who would have dreamed that NationsBank would set aside \$25 million to help employees with child care? These breakthroughs are certainly cause for rejoicing.

for working mothers

So is the ever-increasing competition to be on this list. When we set out in 1986 to find family-friendly companies, we came up with just 30 firms we believed worthy of recognition. And the programs and benefits offered by the original 30 pale when compared to those provided by this year's winners. Some benefits now considered rather standard on this list—adoption aid, paid paternity leave, sick-child care, child care subsidies, school-holiday programs and backup child care programs—were yet to be invented.

Hundreds of employers now actively campaign for a coveted spot on this roster, deluging us with arguments about why they should be included. We gradu-

ally expanded the list, until it reached 100 in 1992. Now known as the WORKING MOTHER 100, the firms that make this list are role models for American business, creating workplaces that offer employees both the opportunity to advance in their careers and to have a good family life. On our 10th anniversary, we make just one change in the WORKING MOTHER 100: We have decided not to include work-family consulting firms. The three that made the list in the past—The Paragon Group and Bright Horizons—will be exemplary employers. The Paragon Group, in particular, is a visionary leader

was time to open up three slots for employees to advertise or self-interest in their own benefits. The process has taken place in the past and can be traced in the four years we evaluate companies: PARAGON GROUP. We looked for companies that were better than others in the industry. We have refined our evaluation process by looking for specific entry-level regional benchmarks and identifying companies with depressed pay rates. The best salaries in their industries, and they are generally known as the best employers in town, whether it be SC Johnson Wax in Racine, Wisconsin, or



Hewlett-Packard in Silicon Valley. Last year 81 of the companies on our list raised wages by an average of 4.1 percent.

OPPORTUNITIES TO ADVANCE: The gains here have been impressive, although it is the one area where we had hoped to see even more progress. In 1986, IBM's senior management was 8 percent female; today it is 18 percent. Procter & Gamble had no woman officers; today it has 14 female vice presidents. We had only one woman CEO; today we have three—at Bayfront Medical Hospital, Hanna Andersson and Riverside Methodist Hospitals. Two firms—Mattel and Patagonia—have female presidents.

CHILD CARE: The companies on our original list were ahead of the curve—four of the 30 provided on-site child care. On our 1995 list, 76 offer child care on-site or at a nearby site. Eleven have two or more on-site centers. Concerns never addressed by companies 10 years ago—before- and after-school care, holiday care, backup care, summer programs, sick-child care—are commonplace today among the WORKINGMOTHER 100. And nearly a fifth of the firms on this roster have set up special dependent care funds earmarked for child and elder care programs for their employees.

OTHER FAMILY-FRIENDLY BENEFITS: In our first survey, in 1986, none of the 30 companies had a full-time work/family manager. Few had formal policies covering alternative work arrangements. The idea of allowing a new mother to phase-back to work was foreign to the corporate culture of the mid-1980s. Programs such as job sharing and telecommuting are still absent from most of the compa-

nies in the U.S. But they are growing ever more commonplace among the WORKINGMOTHER 100. These days, industrial giants such as General Motors and marketing behemoths such as Procter & Gamble allow employees to opt for a reduced-hour schedule to take care of a new child.

This year's WORKINGMOTHER 100 is the product of a decade's worth of effort in identifying the best companies for working parents. The dynamics of the competition continue to bring new companies onto the list. Our search led us this year to 17 new companies, among them Amgen, First Tennessee Bank, Ford Motor Company, The Gallup Organization and Sara Lee. We are also happy to welcome back to the list Eastman Kodak, Hewlett-Packard and TRW Space & Electronics.

It's of interest to us that our list has become stronger in the midst of harsh times in corporate America. In the wake of reengineering and widespread layoffs, morale is at a low ebb in many companies. Some that declined to enter this year told us as much. But WORKINGMOTHER 100 companies stand as beacons of promise in a changing world. There is palpable excitement in these companies that they are doing right by their employees while boosting the bottom line at the same time. That is, perhaps, the most remarkable change of all in the work/family revolution of the past 10 years.

Milton Moskowitz and Carol Townsend, a San Francisco Bay Area writing team, have compiled our list for the past 10 years. Moskowitz is coauthor of the best-selling book The 100 Best Companies to Work for in America (Doubleday).

RATINGS KEY

Ranking in each category goes from one to five.

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She Just Made You The Shirt Off Her Back

Fashions change with the seasons but, unfortunately, some things seem to never go out of fashion.

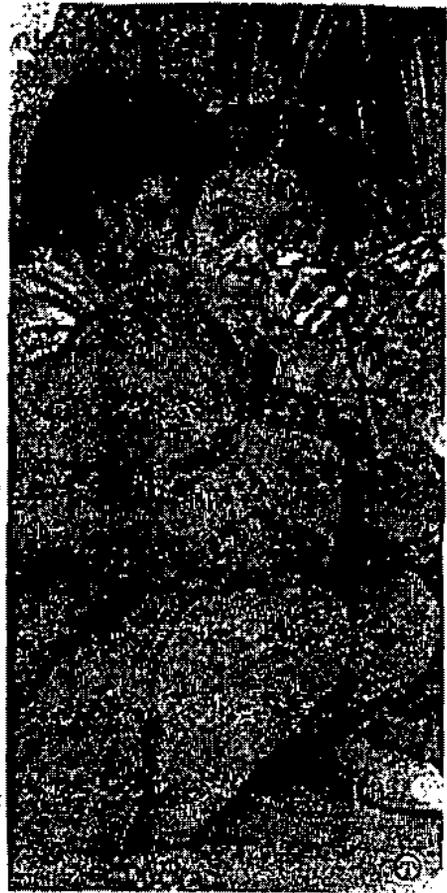
85 years ago, the country was shocked when 146 garment workers died needlessly in the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire in New York. And just 6 months ago, 72 garment workers in El Monte, California, were found working under the same type of conditions -- in unsafe, slavery-like sweatshops earning less than 70 cents an hour.

Consumers, like you, can make a difference. You can ask questions about where and how garments are made when you shop. You can ask if your retailer monitors garment manufacturers in order to avoid buying from sweatshops. And, you can choose not to buy sweatshop products.

For a list of "No Sweat" retailers and manufacturers who have agreed to help make sweatshops go out of fashion, write to No Sweat, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, D.C. 20210, fax us at (202) 219-8740, or visit our web page at www.dol.gov/dof/nosweat.htm. —(NAPS)

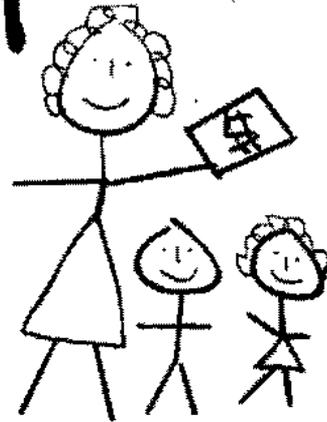
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**Help End
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Mommy Gets



A

Old Minimum Wage

\$4.25 an hour

As of October 1, 1996

\$4.75 an hour

As of September 1, 1997

\$5.15 an hour

Raise!

On October 1st, 1996, over 4 million workers, many of whom are mommies and daddies, got a well-deserved raise – when the federal minimum wage went up 50 cents an hour. On September 1, 1997, nearly 10 million workers will get another raise – when the federal minimum wage goes up an additional 40 cents an hour.

If you earn the federal minimum wage, watch your paycheck for this increase. See your employer immediately if you have any questions.

Or, contact the U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division – the number for your local Wage and Hour office is in the Blue Pages of the telephone book.

(And a lot of Daddies do, too!)

U.S. Department of Labor
Robert B. Reich, Secretary



Standardizing Child Safety Seats

Saying Current Confusion Can Be Deadly, U.S. to Unveil New System

By WARREN BROWN
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After nearly eight years of debate, the Clinton administration plans to unveil a universal system next month for installing child safety seats, a step designed to eliminate a frustrating experience for parents and ensure that more children are properly secured.

Under the plan, every seat would be required to fit in every car the same way—as early as next year in some models—thus elimi-

nating the current mishmash of 100 varieties of child seats and myriad installation systems in 300 different passenger vehicles now on the market. Older child seats would be able to use the new anchors, though it isn't clear whether older models of cars could be retrofitted with the new system.

The plan, which government and industry sources said will be announced Dec. 14 by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, would have broad implications for the safety of infants and small children, who often are at risk of death or serious injury in passenger vehicles because they are either unrestrained—neither in a child safety seat nor secured by a seat belt—or improperly secured.

NHTSA and other Department of Transportation officials declined to comment.

About 80 percent of the children strapped into safety seats are at risk because those seats are im-

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properly connected, according to NHTSA officials.

Officials hope a universal system would not only ensure that seats are properly secured but also encourage greater use of child seats, since 60 percent of the children who die in vehicle accidents every year aren't strapped in at all. About 600 children younger than 5 years old are killed and more than 70,000 are injured in vehicle crashes every year.

U.S. auto safety officials have long despaired over those grim statistics, but they have been debating since 1990 which system would provide the right combination of safety, ease of use and low cost. In the meantime, both the Canadians and the Europeans have moved ahead with their own universal systems. The announcement next month would end a federal rule-making process that started in June 1996.

Under a plan that combines aspects of the Canadian and European systems, the rear passenger seats of new cars would have three dedicated anchors—two at the bottom and one at the top—to hold child safety seats firmly in place. Officials hope this would eliminate

the belt-routng nightmare that has foiled so many parents in the past—trying to guess which seat belt goes through which loop in a child safety seat that may not, after

“The difficulty of installing these seats certainly has been a deterrent to using them.”

— Joan Claybrook,
president of Public Citizen

all, be usable in a particular car or truck.

“In the past, we've made the proper installation of child safety seats way too complicated,” said Chuck Hurley, spokesman for the National Safety Council, a consumer advocacy group in Washington. “People need a doctorate in beltology in order to get those seats in properly.” He noted that many parents or guardians try to accomplish that task while rushing off to work or some other appointment.

Putting the same anchors in the

same place the same way should dispel the confusion, according to sources familiar with the planned new design, known as the Isofix Hybrid.

The Isofix Hybrid system will require a redesign of child safety seats so that they can be plugged into or snapped onto the new anchors. Older seats would require an adapter belt to attach the seats to at least the two lower anchors. While that would not be as secure as using all three anchors, officials believe it would be more secure than most seats installed under the current system.

The new anchoring system is expected to appear next year in cars manufactured by Germany's Volkswagen AG and by 2000 in a variety of other manufacturers' vehicles, according to government and industry sources who declined to speak on the record.

Initially, it is expected that many families with children will buy an adapter belt to be used with child safety seats now in their possession or currently available in stores. Eventually, the newer safety seats would replace those old models in the market.

The Isofix Hybrid anchor could add about \$60 to the overall retail cost of a child restraint system, most of it in the car, according to some

government and industry estimates.

Eventually, officials expect, this hybrid plan is likely to become the worldwide standard.

Clarence Dilow, executive director of the Center for Auto Safety in Washington, said the compromise plan isn't perfect. “But we can't get caught up in the paralysis of perfection,” he said. “We need to make child safety seats more compatible with cars than they are, and this is a step in the right direction.”

Joan Claybrook, who served as NHTSA administrator under President Carter and now is president of Public Citizen, a public interest lobbying group in Washington, agreed. “The difficulty of installing these seats certainly has been a deterrent to using them,” she said. The use of the three-point anchor system “is a very good idea that could help parents install the seats more easily,” Claybrook said.

But she said the government and the auto industry need to do more, and to make built-in child safety seats standard equipment in new vehicles. Built-in seats “means you wouldn't have to worry about mixing and matching child safety seats with belts or anchors,” Claybrook said. Such seats are available in some cars sold by AB Volvo and Chrysler Corp.

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Williams Says Board Will Give Him Power

By DAVID A. VISE
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Mayor-elect Anthony A. Williams emerged from a private 90-minute session with the D.C. financial control board yesterday confident that he will be empowered to run the District government when he takes office on Jan. 2.

The board's willingness to delegate authority to Williams represents a sea change in the fortunes of the city's elected officials, whose power to govern was eviscerated by Congress, which mandated that the appointed panel run the District government.

Williams said he had received the board's commitment that he will have day-to-day authority to supervise all the city agencies that were under Mayor Marion Barry's control before Congress stripped him of power. Although many details remained to be resolved—foremost among them to whom Chief Management Officer Camille C. Barnett would report—it was agreed that the board will step back from daily involvement in the business of government to an oversight role that will satisfy the dictates of Congress.

"They generally agree that respon-

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sibility ought to return to the mayor on January 2, and we are working out the details of that," Williams said during a news conference. "We have to have responsibility and authority all in one place. . . . I will be able to recruit people with the knowledge that we can have one government."

The District has been operating with a divided structure since Congress stripped Barry of power over the city's biggest agencies in the summer of 1997, leaving him in charge of libraries, recreation and other small departments. Since then, the control board has run the agencies, including those that pick up trash and repair streets, provide health care services, oversee contracting and handle personnel.

Williams said he wants Barnett—who was hired by the control board to operate those agencies—to report directly to him, rather than having a dual reporting relationship to him and the board. In private discussions, control board officials have considered having Barnett report to both, which she apparently would prefer. No final decision has been made, and both options are still on the table.

Williams said it would be a bad idea for Barnett to report to both because it would interfere with the need for a clear chain of command. He said that he will meet with Barnett soon to review strategy and that he wants to move quickly to name a new, independent chief financial officer and an inspector general who will monitor performance and delivery of city services closely.

Williams also said the federal government should provide the District with an additional \$400 million to \$500 million annually in the form of a federal payment, grants or the ability to levy taxes. He said President Clinton's 1997 rescue package—which eliminated a \$660 million annual federal payment—left the District without the resources it deserves, based on restrictions on the city's ability to collect taxes on commuters and on exempt property.

"The federal government has got

to make us whole," said Williams, adding that he spoke with Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-D.C.) yesterday morning and agreed that city officials must present a "united front" to Congress.

Based on yesterday's control board meeting, Williams said he anticipates that all major city agencies that had reported to the mayor previously, including the police department, will be under his day-to-day control. He said he has spoken with D.C. Police Chief Charles H. Ramsey and does not expect any objection to that arrangement.

"I have heard no objection from the chief, and I've talked to him," Williams said. The mayor-elect said he would "not be a happy camper" if the police chief, who has a contract with the control board, does not report directly to him.

In a sign of how dramatically and rapidly times are changing, a jovial Williams held forth on the issues during a news conference inside the control board's One Thomas Circle headquarters downtown, a place where Barry had never held a similar briefing. In the past, Andrew F. Brimmer, then the control board chairman, made it clear that he was

in charge and provided explanations of board sessions with Barry. Despite their efforts, the pair had what Brimmer termed an "episodic" relationship and never developed mutual trust.

Yesterday, Alice M. Rivlin, who took over as chairman on Sept. 1, slipped out of the downtown office building to catch a plane before the news conference even began and said Williams would brief the media. Williams—who enjoyed a close relationship with the control board and its staff while serving as D.C. chief financial officer before resigning in June to run for mayor—said a positive relationship has been created between the control board and the mayor-elect.

Comparing the situation to the way control boards and mayors worked closely together in New York and Philadelphia, Williams said that he and the D.C. board were forging a new partnership to improve city services and continue the financial recovery. Under federal law, the board remains in place until the city balances its budget for two more years, and Williams said he will lobby to accelerate the return of home rule.

Williams also said that control

board officials told him that both he and D.C. Council Chairman Linda W. Cropp (D) will be attending meetings with the panel regularly. In the past, the control board met privately to set policy and debate city issues without any locally elected officials present. Williams said he wants Congress to amend the control board statute so that he and Cropp become voting members of the panel.

All five board members and Barnett attended yesterday's meeting with Williams, but they had little to say after the session, leaving the spotlight to the mayor-elect. As he departed, board member Eugene Kinio smiled broadly and said, "Two thumbs up. Great meeting."

Williams cracked jokes and made fun of himself repeatedly as reporters fired questions at him. After being asked what code name the two security guards accompanying him were using to describe him, the bow-tied Williams quipped, "Nerd One to Nerd Two."

Asked who will head his transition and who will hold top jobs in his administration, Williams said he wants executives of national stature and expects them to live in the District. He then quickly added that he has the advantage of not knowing many people. "I don't know any cronies to hire," he said.

In an interview yesterday, Barry said he was glad that the control board was delegating power to Williams because "it is good for the citizens of Washington." He dismissed the notion that board members were unwilling to transfer power to him, saying the reason the change was occurring now was because Rivlin, rather than Brimmer, was chairman of the panel.

"Brimmer was consumed with power and wanted to control everything," Barry said. "Now that Brimmer is gone, Alice Rivlin has a different philosophy. That is why she was easy for some of us to accept as chair because we knew of her commitment to self-government. . . . I believe Alice would have done this regardless of who was mayor."

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. — North Carolina Gov. Jim Hunt has a simple goal for his big welfare-reform experiment. "By the year 2000," he says, "I want every able-bodied person to be in a job or in training."

That is also an audacious goal for a state that still has some 93,000 families on welfare. But Gov. Hunt's dream is that the state's business community will help him get close. And to judge from the scene here one recent morning, it is at least going to try.

In a meeting room at Charlotte's airport, some 50 Charlotte-area employers of all shapes and sizes have gathered at a jobs fair designed solely to match them up with welfare recipients who want to get off the welfare rolls and into jobs.

About 100 welfare recipients mill around a series of long, thin tables where the employers pass out information and sign people up for interviews. "Hopefully, I'm going to find a job," says Wanda McDowell, a 35-year-old mother who has been on welfare for 11 years. "This is the first time I've gotten serious about it." Soon she heads off for a private interview with a restaurant operator.

Experiment in Cooperation

As this scene suggests, North Carolina is in the midst of a great experiment in public-private cooperation, one that is about to be replicated across the land as national welfare reform takes hold. In fact, the North Carolina experience is being watched closely by President Clinton and his aides. Moving out ahead of the Republican-controlled Congress, the Democratic Gov. Hunt a year and a half ago instituted a tough welfare program called Work First that essentially tells many welfare recipients that they must get a job of some kind in 12 weeks or start losing benefits.

To make the transition to work start to happen, the state revamped its welfare counseling program to stress quick training in basic job skills — punctuality, neatness, resume preparation — rather than drawn-out government job training. But otherwise, the state did relatively little to directly create jobs.

Instead, like the Southern evangelist he resembles, the silver-haired Gov. Hunt hit the road, proselytizing North Carolina's business leaders on the virtues and business smarts of hiring people off the welfare rolls.

Ready to Work

And, lo and behold, some businesses seem to have taken the gospel to heart.

Here in Charlotte, the county welfare office has signed a contract with the local Chamber of Commerce to push the idea of moving welfare recipients into jobs. The chamber promotes the idea to its members

with an advertising and lobbying campaign and breakfasts for chief executives.

For its part, the welfare office provides businesses in this booming county with a pool of ready workers. One Friday a month, the local minority chamber of commerce brings employers and welfare recipients together at a "job-finding day."

The best guess is that as many as 100 local companies have hired welfare recipients as a result. One who found a job through the new network is Debra Sanders, 34, a single mother of two who had been on the welfare rolls for 12 years. When North Carolina's new Work First welfare reform went into effect, she went to a training session on job skills and one on resume preparation, then went to a job day.

She was promptly hired as a sales clerk at a Tie Rack store at the Charlotte airport. After starting as a part-timer, she went full-time last November. Her welfare and food-stamp benefits are being scaled down, and her rent in government housing will rise as her income goes up, but Ms. Sanders figures she still is coming out ahead financially.

All told, some 30,000 welfare recipients have moved off cash assistance and into work in the first 18 months of the new North Carolina program, says Pheon Beal, a state official who oversees Work First. That has pushed North Carolina's welfare rolls down by more than 15%.

Role of Robust Economy

Ms. Beal, like business leaders, readily acknowledges that North Carolina's generally robust economy, fueled by both a manufacturing and financial-services boom, is as responsible as any policy moves for the reduction. "We needed new employees," declares Elizabeth Ehlers, human resources director at Whiteville Apparel, a small manufacturer of men's suits and sports coats that has hired 28 Work First welfare recipients.

What's more, the welfare recipients who are successfully moving into jobs in some ways represent the cream of the welfare population, those who are the easiest to move off the rolls and into work. Only about a third of the state's welfare recipients have so far been placed under the state's stricter work requirements, which also impose an overall two-year limit on benefits for welfare families.

Boosting Confidence

For those reasons, North Carolina officials acknowledge that the welfare-to-work process could get tougher as time goes on. Perhaps the most important thing the state has done to be ready is to shift the focus of its job counseling program away from long-term job training to brief and intense workplace-readiness training. "We used to have people in job training for five years," says the state's Ms. Beal. Now, she says, "we are not job trainers. We are gatekeepers to the job-training system."

One former welfare recipient who is following that track is Cathey Pitts, a single mother of three in Asheville who not long ago was on public assistance and living in a shelter with her children. Then the Work First program paid for her to go through a five-week training course to become a certified nursing assistant. Since October, she has been working at a nursing home. Now she plans to get more training over time to become a licensed nurse. "Being a [nursing assistant] itself has taught me a lot about life," she says.

Employers here have found that the two most vexing problems in putting welfare recipients to work are day care and transportation to the job site. "Child care is usually the big problem," says Cheryl Hosseini, a recruiter for Host Marriott Services, which operates some 30 shops at the airport.

Host Marriott has hired about 20 Work First participants since last summer, out of a total airport work force of about 500, Mrs. Hosseini says. It tries to cope with such workers' transportation problems by offering a regular shuttle service for its employees to carry them from the heart of Charlotte to the airport. To handle child-care problems, it tries to place young mothers in jobs with flexible shifts, so they can adjust their working hours to be at home with their children.

Philomena McEntee, a 36-year-old single mother of one, has made precisely those kinds of adjustments. She works full-time at a Cheers restaurant at the airport, a job she acquired through the Work First program. She normally works from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, and then a 12-hour shift on Sunday, so that she will have nights and other days with her child. To keep to that kind of schedule, she has chosen to work as a restaurant hostess, rather than as a more highly paid waitress. "My confidence level has skyrocketed" because of the job, Miss McEntee says. "It just makes you feel there is a chance." Armed with that new confidence, she now is laying plans to go back to school.

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Energy Department Proposes Opening Oil-Shale Reserves to Private Concerns

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WASHINGTON — The Energy Department is proposing to open the government's oil-shale reserves to private exploration under a plan that would put dozens of federally owned natural-gas wells on the block for a fraction of what the department has estimated they're worth.

The proposal, now circulating among other federal agencies, concerns largely undeveloped properties on 145,000 acres near Rifle, Colo. Based on a private consultant's recommendation, the proposal is intended to help reduce the federal budget deficit and get the government out of the oil and gas business, according to Patricia Fry Godley, an assistant energy secretary.

But critics, led by Ken Meeks, a retired Navy captain who previously headed the Energy Department's oil-shale reserves program, charge that the government would raise only a few million dollars while giving up the chance to make billions by developing the properties itself. The department's proposal places the "lowest values ever calculated" on the properties, he claims.

The properties have been held by the federal government for the U.S. Navy since the early 1920s as a hedge against the country running out of oil and the Navy out of fuel. But the oil is trapped in shale formations, and neither the government nor the energy industry has ever found a cost-effective way to extract it.

In the 1980s, Denver-based Barrett Resources Corp. found natural gas on private land adjacent to the government property and began lobbying the government for access to the naval reserves.

Then, to prevent Barrett's wells from draining the gas out from under what is known as Naval Oil Shale Reserve No. 3, the Energy Department got into the drilling business, completing 56 wells, some of which are owned jointly with private companies.

The department's proposal includes a recommendation that it sell its stake in these wells for \$4.2 million — one-tenth of the \$42 million the department calculated they were worth in 1994.

"By putting out low numbers like these, the government will depress the bidding price when they are sold, and limit the value the public will receive," said Edwin Rothschild, an energy expert for Citizen Action, a Washington-based consumer group.

Ms. Godley, who signed off on the

Energy Department's plan for disposal of the shale reserves, said she cannot discuss specific cost estimates while the proposal is being studied by the White House and other agencies. "You can be assured that neither DOE nor the U.S. government would recommend a fire sale for these properties," she said.

The Energy Department came up with its plan in accordance with a 1995 law that requires the government to study how to dispose of the oil-shale reserves. Congress must approve any lease or sale.

Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell (R., Colo.), the primary force behind the requirement to dispose of the reserves, wanted the government to lease the land to private companies, according to his spokesman, James Doyle. The Energy Department proposal calls for selling the land under the existing natural-gas wells and turning the remaining 14,000 acres of gas-rich Reserve No. 3 over to the Interior Department for leasing.

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