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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

The Honorable Bob Miller
Governor
State of Nevada
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Capitol Complex
Carson City, NV 89710

Dear Mr. Miller:

Thank you for sharing with me your
endorsement of Mr. Herbert W. Perry. I
have forwarded your letter to our
Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco
Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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STATE OF NEVADA
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Capitol Complex
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BOB MILLER
Governor

September 1, 1994

Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Re: National Aids Policy Coordinator

Dear Ms. Rasco:

This letter is written in support of Mr. Herbert W. Perry, LPA/EA, as a candidate for the position of National AIDS Policy Coordinator. It is my sincere belief Mr. Perry possesses the skill, dedication and commitment necessary to fulfill the responsibilities associated with this post.

Mr. Perry knows all too well the pain and sorrow associated with this devastating disease, having lost his only son to AIDS. As a result of this tragedy, Mr. Perry has dedicated himself to the promotion of AIDS awareness, services and funding.

At the time when his son was fighting the battle with AIDS, Mr. Perry was a volunteer with the Aid for AIDS of Nevada (AFAN). Thereafter, Mr. Perry became a member of the Board of Trustees for AFAN, serving as Treasurer and First Vice President to the Board, as well as a Legislative Liaison. He has been instrumental in obtaining funding for AFAN, actively involving himself in the political arena as an advocate for HIV/AIDS funding and services in conjunction with AFAN and other members of the Clark County Coalition of HIV/AIDS Service Providers.

Further, Mr. Perry has lobbied and worked very closely with the AIDS Action Council at the national level, speaking on HIV/AIDS issues with several speaker bureaus, including NAPWA.

Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy
September 1, 1994
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In conclusion, it is my belief Mr. Perry possesses the insight, dedication and commitment necessary to fulfill the responsibilities associated with this most vital project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bob Miller".

BOB MILLER
Governor

BM/csw

C: Herbert W. Perry, LPA/EA

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Robert A. Hudak
Atlanta Interfaith AIDS Network
1053 Juniper Street, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30309

Dear Mr. Hudak:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of the Honorable Lowell P. Weicker. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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atlanta interfaith AIDS network

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Ms. Carol Roscoe
Domestic Policy Advisor
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Roscoe:

This letter is being submitted as formal support for outgoing Governor of Connecticut, the Honorable Lowell P. Weicker, Jr. for AIDS Policy Director.

Gov. Weicker has proven to be an extremely valuable voice for the concerns of people affected by HIV/AIDS and for those organizations supporting those individuals.

Please note our support of Gov. Weicker for AIDS Policy Director nominee in early August '94.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Hudak

Robert A. Hudak

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cc: Mr. Mark King, Executive Director,
AIDS Survival Project, Atlanta, GA

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Marlene S. Griffiths
Executive Director
American Red Cross
Clark County Chapter
1819 E. Charleston Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89104-1936

Dear Ms. Griffiths:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Herbert W. Perry. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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MARLENE S. GRIFFITHS
Executive Director



American Red Cross

August 24, 1994

CLARK COUNTY CHAPTER
1819 E. Charleston Blvd.
Las Vegas, Nevada 89104-1936
(702) 384-1225 FAX (702) 384-9327

Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
White House - 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Rasco:

Realizing the significance and importance of the work of the National AIDS Policy Coordinator, I am pleased to support Mr. Herbert W. Perry, LPA/EA as a candidate for the position.

Mr. Perry has exhibited an admirable balance of personal and professional commitment, capability, and compassion that befit the person selected since this most crucial position impacted our nation's AIDS policies and advocacy. He has filled many roles, locally and nationally, preparing him for such an important opportunity including:

- membership on the Board of Trustees for Aid for AIDS of Nevada (AFAN).
- service as Treasurer and First Vice President of the AFAN Board, as well as Legislative Liaison.
- service as an advocate with AFAN and the Clark County Coalition of HIV/AIDS Service Providers.
- activity on numerous local and national speakers' bureaus, including NAPWA, and as a lobbyist for AIDS Action Council.

With the American Red Cross as the nation's foremost HIV/AIDS Prevention Education provider, our thousands of volunteers and career staff members hope that our current administration will mount and support a vigorous program to combat this tragic disease and dispel the fears and misconceptions about AIDS that still abound in our society. Facts and understanding -- not fear -- *must prevail*. A strong, knowledgeable, articulate, courageous, consensus-building, experienced professional like Herb Perry is needed to give the leadership and management required to fill the position of National AIDS Policy Coordinator. The loss of his son to AIDS has only intensified his dedication and involvement.

I hope Mr. Perry will be given serious consideration as a viable candidate for this position. He would bring outstanding qualifications and qualities to the performance of his responsibilities as our nation's AIDS Policy Coordinator.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marlene S. Griffiths".

Marlene S. Griffiths
Executive Director

MSG/psk

cc: Elizabeth H. Dole, President, American Red Cross
Herbert W. Perry



A United Way Agency

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Nikki Sobkowski
Administrative Director
Planned Parenthood of Southern Nevada,
Inc.
3220 West Charleston Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89102

Dear Ms. Sobkowski:

Thank you for sharing with me your
endorsement of Mr. Herbert W. Perry. I
have forwarded your letter to our
Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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of Southern Nevada, Inc.

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August 19, 1994

Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

RE: Candidate for National AIDS Policy Coordinator

Dear Ms. Rasco:

Over the past year I have had the privilege of working with Mr. Perry as a member of the Nevada Attorney General's Charitable Solicitation Task Force, Consumer Education Committee. I've been impressed with Mr. Perry's ability to identify a problem, analyze the situation and facts, and suggest workable solutions. Additionally, when the committee strays from its task, he is able to focus the group back on its objectives.

I have also been most impressed with Mr. Perry's integrity. When he assumes responsibility for a task, he follows through, meeting deadlines and delivering a high-quality finished product.

As the Director of an agency that provides HIV/AIDS testing and referrals, I have also had the opportunity to discuss issues relating to HIV/AIDS with Mr. Perry. He does not shrink from this most controversial of issues, is forthright and candid while listening to all points of view, but tactfully assertive--all of which are crucial in dealing with the issue.

I urge you to support Mr. Herbert W. Perry as the best qualified candidate for National AIDS Policy Coordinator. We would all be well-served by his appointment to this post.

Sincerely,

Nikki Sobkowski
Administrative Director

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Rev. Joseph Kerrigan
Church of the Holy Spirit
2300 Hickory Crest Drive
Memphis, TN 38119

Dear Rev. Kerrigan:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Ray Buckley. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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Church of the Holy Spirit

2300 Hickory Crest Dr., Memphis TN 38119
Phone: (901) 754-7146

Fr. Joseph Kerrigan, Associate Pastor

September 01, 1994

Mr. Bill Clinton
President
United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, DC

Dear Mr. President:

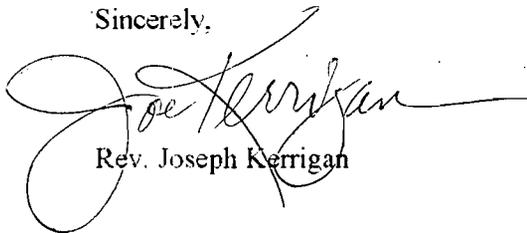
I am writing to recommend Mr. Ray Buckley for the position of director of national AIDS policy.

Mr. Buckley is a strong advocate for AIDS awareness in the state of Tennessee, and I believe that with his background he would bring a powerful new direction to your agenda in this important issue.

In the past two years that I have known Mr. Buckley, I have experienced his strong ability to develop a coalescence among various groups and strata in our community.

I would ask that you give him full consideration for this vital position.

Sincerely,



Rev. Joseph Kerrigan

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Chad Piehl
Piehl, Hanson, Beckman, P.A.
45 Library Square Building
12 Hassan St. NE
Hutchinson, MN 55350

Dear Mr. Piehl:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Herbert W. Perry. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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PIEHL, HANSON, BECKMAN, P.A.
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

September 1, 1994

45 Library Square Building

Suite 103

12 Hassan St. NE

Hutchinson, MN 55350

(612) 234-4430

FAX (612) 234-4426

Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington DC 20500

SEP -6 REC'D

Dear Ms Rasco:

280 Broadway Ave.

Box AG

Cokato, MN 55321

(612) 286-5552

FAX (612) 286-5332

RE: Support of Candidate for National AIDS Policy Coordinator

This letter is written in support of Mr. Herbert W. Perry, LPA/EA as a candidate for the position of National AIDS Policy Coordinator.

Having worked with Mr. Perry on a professional level through mutual contact with several accounting clients, I have found him to be a dedicated and knowledgeable individual who is very thorough whatever he pursues. He has the ability to relate to people in all areas of life and is very diligent in achieving the best possible solution in whatever the area of concern.

I believe the appointment of Mr. Herbert W. Perry to the post of National AIDS Policy Coordinator will be beneficial to society as a whole and I urge you to support that appointment.

Very truly yours,

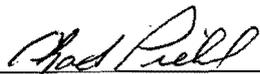
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Beth Shober
Project Consultant
Wyoming HIV Education School Health
Project
1000 West Eighth Street
P.O. Box 3033
Gillette, WY 82717-3033

Dear Ms. Shober:

Thank you for sharing with me your
endorsement of Mr. Herbert Perry. I have
forwarded your letter to our Personnel
Division.

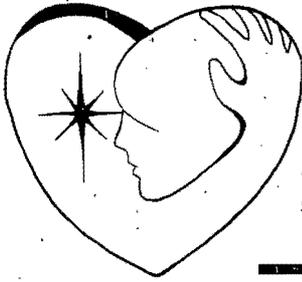
Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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**Wyoming HIV Education
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Bronwen Anderson
Project Consultant
Beth Shober
Project Consultant

July 13, 1994

Ms. Carol Rosko
Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

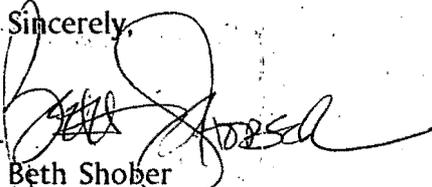
Dear Ms. Rosko:

I am a state HIV Project Consultant, working with the citizens of Wyoming to promote HIV Education Prevention. It has been my sincere pleasure to have the opportunity to work with Mr. Herbert Perry, a committed and strong advocate for the HIV cause.

Mr. Perry was contracted by our organization to do state wide trainings in Wyoming, in which he helped raise awareness, promoted the great need to become involved in the fight against this disease, and shared his own personal trials with this epidemic. He was received with rave reviews, as he touched all participants; young and old, conservative and liberal. We feel as if Mr. Perry was one of the best presenters we have contracted with, as he reached everyone.

It is with great interest that I am writing this letter to you on behalf of Mr. Perry, who has indicated his interest in the position of National AIDS Policy Coordinator. I feel confident that his abilities are outstanding, and would be an excellent candidate for that position. It is important, I feel, to have a person in that position who is committed 100% to the task of HIV policy and education. I hope you will consider Mr. Perry when searching for a candidate.

Sincerely,


Beth Shober
Project Consultant

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

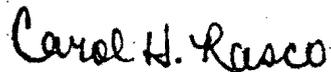
James B. Sayer, MN, ARNP
University of Washington
Department of Infectious Disease
2124 Fourth Avenue, 4th Floor
Seattle, WA 98121

Dear Mr. Sayer:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Herbert Perry. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,



Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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City of Seattle
Norman B. Rice, Mayor

King County
Tim Hill, Executive

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Seattle-King County Department of Public Health

David M. Lurie, Director

August 30, 1994

Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington D.C. 20500

RE: Support for Candidate for National AIDS Policy Coordinator.

Dear Ms. Rasco:

I am writing to support the application of **Mr. Herbert Perry** as a candidate for the National AIDS Policy Coordinator.

I have watched and grieved with Herb throughout the illness and death of his son, Steve. Herb's perseverance, commitment, and fervor to AIDS and AIDS policy is selfless and admirable. His qualifications spans business and tax law, to political lobbying, to losing a son to AIDS.

National AIDS policy certainly affects my vocation as a medical provider and researcher in AIDS. I highly recommend consideration of Mr. Perry's application for the National AIDS Policy Coordinator.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

James B. Sayer, MN, ARNP
University of Washington
Department of Infectious Disease

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

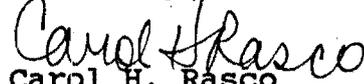
Paul Kawata
Executive Director
National Minority AIDS Council
300 Eye Street, NE
Suite 400
Washington, DC 20002-4389

Dear Mr. Kawata:

Thank you for sharing with me the posters and the press packet describing the "Live Long Sugar" campaign. The staff of the Domestic Policy Council and I appreciate the efforts of the National Minority AIDS Council toward this important project.

Again, thank you and best wishes.

Sincerely,



Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy

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THE WHITE HOUSE
OFFICE OF DOMESTIC POLICY

CAROL H. RASCO

Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy

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To: _____

Draft response for POTUS
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Please reply directly to the writer
(copy to CHR) by: _____

Please advise by: _____

Let's discuss: _____

For your information: _____

Reply using form code: _____

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Send copy to (original to CHR): _____

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Designee to attend: _____

Remarks: *See tape that arrived with this letter.*

Prepare brief for you & best wishes
①
② Give posters to anyone who wishes them



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September 28, 1994

Carol Rasco
The White House - Domestic Policy Council
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Rasco,

Enclosed is a copy of the posters for the National Minority AIDS Council's bilingual print and billboard campaign entitled "*Live Long Sugar*". The campaign features Grammy Award-winning singer Patti LaBelle with for different people of color living with HIV.

Over the next several months we will roll the campaign out in several cities. Detroit has committed to be the first stop. We hope to do billboards, bus signs and posters in community clinics throughout the city. I hope you received a press kit last week describing the campaign. If you did not, please contact Mark (202/544-1076, ext. 325) and a kit will be mailed to you immediately.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to working with you in the future. If you can't use the posters, please share them with your local community-based AIDS organization, health department, HIV testing and counseling center or community clinic.

Sincerely,

Paul Kawata
Executive Director

Enclosures

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WASHINGTON, DC
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Ronald W. Lawrence
President
Clark County Coalition of AIDS Service
Providers
P.O. Box 26891
Las Vegas, NV 89126

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

Thank you for sharing with me your
endorsement of Mr. Herbert Perry. I have
forwarded your letter to our Personnel
Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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CLARK COUNTY COALITION OF AIDS SERVICE PROVIDERS
P.O. Box 26891
Las Vegas, Nevada 89126

July 14, 1994

Ms. Carol Rasco
Presidential Assistant for Domestic Policy
c/o The Whitehouse
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
District of Columbia 20500

Dear Ms. Rasco,

It has come to my attention that Christine Gebby has recently resigned as the National AIDS Coordinator. Since this position is now vacant, I have a Nevadan that I wish to recommend. His name is Herbert Perry and I feel that he could easily fill this position.

A primary issue is that Mr. Perry truly connects with this issue. In recent months he experience losing his own son to AIDS. In addition, however, Mr. Perry has served as a legislative liaison concerning HIV and has demonstrated superb communication concerning this issue. For those of us living in Nevada, he has been an ally and an asset. In addition to having a personal experience with AIDS, Mr. Perry is well informed and articulate. He has the ability to work with legislators, as well as, health care professionals. He possesses management abilities that are obvious. As the President of the Clark County AIDS Coalition, I firmly recommend him.

Sincerely,



Ronald W. Lawrence
President
Phone (702) 369-8700

cc: Senator Harry Reid
Senator Richard Bryan
Congressman James Bilbray
Congresswoman Barbara Vucanovich

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Matthew R. Reynolds

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Dear Mr. Reynolds:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Elliot Johnson. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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THE FOLLOWING PAGE HAS HAD MATERIAL REDACTED. CONSULT THE
WITHDRAWAL SHEET AT THE FRONT OF THIS FOLDER FOR FURTHER
INFORMATION.

July 13, 1994

Ms. Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy
The White House
Washington D.C.

Dear Ms Rasco,

I called your office today to speak with you about a person that I know who would be best Qualified to take on the position of the Aids Policy Director.

I first want to say that I was honored , inspired and humbled that I, me just another citizen was able to call the White house (Can you imagine ? THE WHITE HOUSE) and be listened to by someone there in your office.

I recently read in the L.A. Times that our Presidents Aids Policy Director had resigned. My first thoughts were of Mr. Elliot Johnson the Chief Administator for Los Angeles County Hospital's 5P21 Aids Research and Out Patient Clinic. I know of Mr Johnson [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. Mr. Johnson is a man who involes himself in every aspect of the operation of 5P21 weather it be going to battle with L.A. County Board of Supervisors for funding or having a competant staff of Doctors , Nurses and support people working together in a pleasant unstress- full enviorment to visiting patients in the main L.A. County Hospital's 6700 Aids Ward to give those near death some comfort in thier last days.

The last Aids Policy Director appears to have had an extensive knowledge of the disease of Aids. Mr. Johnson would bring to the position that knowledge plus the tools needed to deal with the politic of Washington.

Ms. Rasco I ask that you seriously consider Mr. Elliot Johnson for our Presidents Aids Policy Director. He would be the best choice for the job.

Ms. Rasco , my request I feel has an up and a down side to it.
The down side being that we patients at 5P21 would loose a dear friend.
The up side is that our country if not the world would benifit by Mr. Johnson's
closer involement with the President in the fight for a cure for Aids.

Ms. Rasco Thank You for your time.

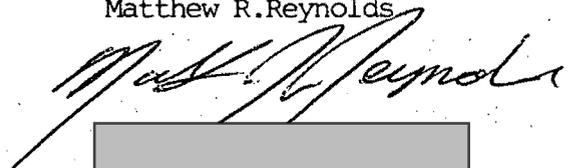
Mr. Elliot Johnson can be reached at 5P21.

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5P21's address is:
1175 North Cummings Avenue
Los Angeles , California
90033

Sincerly Yours,

Matthew R.Reynolds



P6(b)(6)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Ruby Amie Pilot
President
Nevada Black Chamber of Commerce
1048 West Owens Avenue
P.O. Box #4850
Las Vegas, NV 89106

Dear Ms. Pilot:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Herbert W. Perry. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

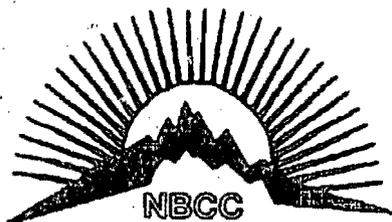
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Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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NEVADA BLACK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

August 8, 1994

Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms Rasco:

I am writing this letter to you requesting your support of Mr. Herbert W. Perry, LPA/EA, as the next National AIDS Policy Coordinator. With the resignation of Ms Gebbie, it would appear that this office needs the type of individual with leadership qualities that will get the job done. I have worked with Mr. Perry for over three years on numerous AIDS and other public service issues. He has the motivation, desire, commitment and dedication to get the job done as the National AIDS Policy Coordinator.

Mr. Perry has worked on many AIDS issues at our local and state levels. In addition he has worked on Capital Hill on numerous occasions advocating on AIDS appropriations and other matters. He is a member of the national speakers' bureau of NAWPA, as well as Aid for AIDS of Nevada speakers' bureau. He has traveled many places throughout our Nation giving presentations on the many HIV/AIDS related aspects. He has been on the Board of Trustees AFAN for over two years. As a member of the board he has put forth a tremendous amount of effort in obtaining grant funds, as a legislative liaison for the agency and other fundraising events.

I have seen how Mr. Perry has shown a strong ability to work well within the political/lobby arena, and to relate to people in all backgrounds. He has never shown any difficulties working with anyone regardless of their socioeconomic, sexual orientation, ethnic, or cultural background.

As a active member of the African - American community, I feel very strong about Mr. Perry's candidacy for the National AIDS Policy Coordinator. He is a very caring and compassionate person. He has all of the qualities to be able to handle the many tasks of the office. Therefore I ask for your support of him for this position.

If you have any questions, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

NEVADA BLACK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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BIOGRAPHY OF HERBERT W. PERRY, LPA/EA

Mr. Perry graduated from college with a Degree of Master in Business Administration, and over twenty years experience in the small business bookkeeping and individual income tax return preparation profession. He handles all phases of the various required accounting needs for his small and medium sized business clients. He is retained by many clients to assist them in budget and financial planning, as well as income tax planning. He has represented many of his clients before the Internal Revenue Service as an Enrolled Agent.

LICENSES AND CREDENTIALS

**Licensed Public Accountant by the State Board of Accountancy - Minnesota (LPA)
Enrolled to practice Before the Internal Revenue Service as an Enrolled Agent (EA)
Accreditation Council of Accountancy Certificate
Accreditation Council of Taxation Certificate
Licensed Real Estate Broker in three states
Licensed Mortgage Broker in Minnesota
Licensed Private Pilot - SEL**

PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS (member)

**Minnesota Association of Public Accountants
National Society of Public Accountants
Nevada Society of Accountants
National Association of Enrolled Agents
Minnesota Association of Enrolled Agents
Nevada Association of Enrolled Agents
National Association of Tax Practitioners
Accreditation Council of Taxation
Accreditation Council of Accountancy**

PUBLIC SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS

**Board of Trustees member of Aid for AIDS of Nevada (AFAN)
Holds the offices of First Vice President and Assistant Treasurer for AFAN
Serves as a member of the volunteer Speaker's Bureau of AFAN
Member of the National Speaker's Bureau of the National Association of People With AIDS (NAPWA)
Listed by Corporate Wellness as a recommended speaker on AIDS awareness
Member of and an active AIDS advocate on Capitol Hill in D.C. for AIDS Action Council
Former Development Director for Reach Out, pediatrics care center for children with AIDS, and a member of the Advisory Committee
Guest speaker on numerous occasions covering many subjects on small business operations and HIV/AIDS in the workplace, including many radio and television shows
Legislative Chair for Nevada Society of Accountants
Former member and officer of the Network and Executive Leads Clubs, which are business and professional organizations
Former member of the National Leadership Coalition of AIDS
Active in many other community affairs and volunteer organizations
Guest Host on Southern Nevada Perspective aired on KFBI, 107.5 FM**

PERSONAL

**Married. Two daughters, one son -in-law and two granddaughters.
Hobbies, include bowling, watching football and reading time permitting.**

The following is a list of individuals, at various state, local and national organizations that have knowledge of Herbert W. Perry, LPA/EA. His background and experience.

AFAN - Greg Durrett, Executive Director - 702-382-2326

State of New York Health Department - Vince Marrone - 518-473-8484

AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin - Doug Nelson, Executive Director - 800-359-9272

MN AIDS Project - Lorraine Teal, Executive Director

Texas AIDS Network - Carolyn A. Parker, PhD, Executive Director

AIDS Action Council - Dan Bross, Executive Director, 202-986-1300 X11

NAPWA - Cornelius Baker - 202-898-0414

NASTAD - Julie Scoffield, Executive Director - 202-434-8090

National Leadership Coalition on AIDS - Rosalind Brannigan - 202-429-0930

NAP - Lisa Hernandez - 702-870-3607

NV Attorney General's Office - Laurie Foremaster - 702-486-3777

Clark County Health District - Lionel Starkes - 702-383-1397

Clark County Health District - Rick Reich - 702-383-1394

Clark County HIV/AIDS Service Providers - Ron Lawrence - 702-369-8700

WY HIV Education Health Project - Beth Shober - 307-686-0317

Colorado Public Health Department - Karen Ringen - 303-692-2719

United Way of Southern Nevada - Deborah Campbell - 702-892-2319

American Red Cross - Marlene Griffins, Executive Director - 702-384-1225

Nevada Black Chamber of Commerce - Ruby Pilot - 702-648-8530

Kristine M. Gebbie - 202-387-0015

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Kenneth R. Shrock

P6/(b)(6)

Dear Mr. Shrock:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Herbert W. Perry. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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Kenneth R. Shrock

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Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

3 August 1994

Re: National A.I.D.S. Policy Coordinator

Dear Carol:

I am a social worker in Las Vegas, Nevada working with individuals who are H.I.V. + or have A.I.D.S. I see first hand the need for a more cohesive and coordinated policy in dealing with the effects of this epidemic.

The range of services available to the clients I serve has gradually increased over the past few years; however the need for coordinating between the various departments in the federal, state, county and city governments is desperately needed.

The research being performed through the various government and private agencies appears to be on the edge of producing new medicines, techniques, protocols and even the possibility of a vaccine.

Education of the populace is a must to prevent the spread of this devastating epidemic. Many government entities are reluctant or unable to provide the needed education.

The recent resignation of the National A.I.D.S. policy coordinator may slow the progress being made in the fight against A.I.D.S.

I would like to bring to your attention a individual who has experienced first hand the terrible effects of A.I.D.S. I had the privilege of working with him during the illness and loss of his son. He has supported and worked with many agencies in the State of Nevada. He has been active with many persons in the federal government; both in the local area and in Washington, D.C. When you search for the replacement, for the position of National A.I.D.S. policy coordinator, please consider:

Mr. Herbert W. Perry of Las Vegas, Nevada

Sincerely,



Kenneth R. Shrock

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October 13, 1994

Deborah Campbell
Vice President, Community Resources
United Way of Southern Nevada
1660 E. Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89119

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Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

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Reaching Those Who Need Help Most.

July 20, 1994

Carol Rasco
 Assistant to the President
 for Domestic Policy
 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
 Washington, DC 20500

Re: Support of Candidate for National AIDS Policy Coordinator

Dear Ms. Rasco;

This letter is written in support of Mr. Herbert W. Perry as a candidate for the position of National AIDS Policy Coordinator.

I am professionally associated with Mr. Perry through several common interests including the State of Nevada Charitable Solicitation Task Force, Aid for Aids of Nevada which is a United Way of Southern Nevada funded agency and media related activities in Southern Nevada.

In the months I've worked with Mr. Perry, I've appreciated his sense of commitment. Whenever he volunteers for a task, Mr. Perry has come to subsequent meetings with the job done.

I've also taken note of Mr. Perry as a person to motivate others. As Vice President of Aid for Aids of Nevada, Mr. Perry pursued board training for that organization's board of directors and has successfully gained the buy in for formal board training.

Another important insight into Mr. Perry's ability to get the job done involves his interviewing skills. Mr. Perry is a guest host on a radio program entitled "Southern Nevada Perspective". As a former journalist, I appreciate his ability to ask the right questions and at the same time listen to what his guest is saying.

I feel these attributes contribute to the effectiveness of policy makers and I am pleased to offer my personal support of Mr. Herbert W. Perry as a candidate for the position of National AIDS Policy Coordinator.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah Campbell".

Deborah Campbell
Vice President, Community Resources
United Way of Southern Nevada

cc: Herbert W. Perry

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 13, 1994

Fredia S. Wadley, M.D.
Director of Health
Metropolitan Government of Nashville &
Davidson County
311 23rd Avenue, North
Nashville, TN 37023

Dear Fredia:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Ray Buckley. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

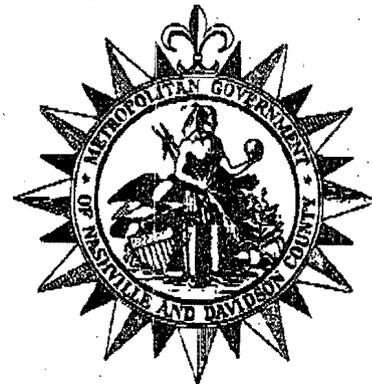
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August 31, 1994

President Bill Clinton
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Clinton:

It is with pleasure that I recommend Mr. Ray Buckley for the position of Director of National AIDS Policy. Mr. Buckley co-chairs Tennessee's Statewide Community Planning Group which recommends how prevention/education funds are to be utilized. However, he has also been active on HIV/AIDS issues in Memphis and in California. This experience gives him a variety of perspectives which would be very valuable for the person in this national policy making role.

The fact that Mr. Buckley has also been successful in the business world strengthens his candidacy for this position. This individual needs to be well versed on HIV/AIDS issues, an advocate for individuals with HIV, and knowledgeable about many aspects of the business environment. Mr. Buckley could bring all of these to this position. His ability to work with leaders, his marketing skills, and his management expertise would be a benefit to the position as well as to your administration.

The most important advantage concerning Ray Buckley is his realistic enthusiasm and dedication to resolving issues related to HIV/AIDS. Realism is important when such an emotional and often controversial issue is at hand. But there must be enthusiasm to test the bounds of reality. Ray Buckley has a wonderful balance of enthusiasm and reality and would make an excellent Director of National AIDS Policy.

Sincerely,

Fredia S. Wadley, M.D.
Director of Health

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October 13, 1994

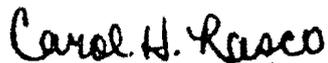
Rev. R. Bruce Cinquegrami
Pastor
St. Ann Catholic Church
6529 Stage Road
Memphis, TN 38134-3898

Dear Rev. Cinquegrami:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Ray Buckley. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,



Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

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ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH

6529 STAGE ROAD
MEMPHIS, TN 38134-3898

September 1, 1994

President William Clinton
The White House Office
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Ray Buckley. I have known Ray for two years. He is an active member of St. Ann Catholic Church. He is extremely talented and articulate. I strongly recommend him for National Director for AIDS Policy. I believe he would fulfill the duties of this office very well and will be of great service to the government in this position.

Sincerely,

Rev. R. Bruce Cinquegrani
Pastor

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October 13, 1994

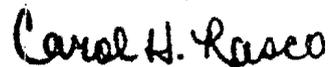
Leonard A. Lauder
President/CEO
Estee Lauder
767 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10153

Dear Mr. Lauder:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Ray Buckley. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,



Carol H. Rasco
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August 25, 1994

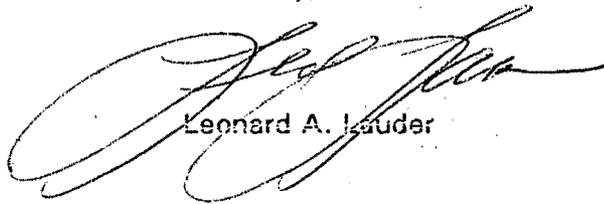
Mr. Ray L. Buckley
2564 Bartlett Blvd.
Bartlett, TN 38134

Dear Ray,

It was good hearing from you again. I'm so happy to hear that you are applying for the Aids Policy Director post for the Clinton Administration. There is no one I know that is more qualified for this position and I certainly hope the President will consider you favorably.

With warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,



Leonard A. Lauder

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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS WITH COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES

August 22, 1994

There is a public perception that the Coordinator had no power within the White House or within Government generally. The public is not aware that the Coordinator had access to the President, could advise on the budget process, and had access to Cabinet members when needed. One reason could be that she did not utilize these aspects of her role often and when she did, that was not communicated to the HIV communities.

What follows are listings of various roles, attributes gleaned from meetings with community representatives.

1. Role of Coordinator

- Access to President, Cabinet members and OMB director
- Some want budget authority beyond OMB; others want coordinator to work with agencies and OMB in budget development
- Ability to raise HIV whenever relevant to other domestic policy issues
- Influence other White House offices, especially congressional and public affairs
- An advocate for PWHIV/AIDS within government
- A policy expert working inside government
- Liaison to HIV community
- Liaison to Congress
- To stay in Washington and coordinate and advocate
- To use the bully pulpit to educate and rally support
- Develop national plan
- Communicate successes to public
- Coordinate between agencies
- Collaborate with the HIV communities and organizations
- Collaborate with the business community

2. Attributes of Coordinator

- Well-known figure speaking out
- Inside player
- A combination of the above
- Credibility with HIV communities or constituent groups
- An HIV positive person

3. Role of the President

- Moral leadership on this issue

- Vision, and ability to convey the urgency of the epidemic to the American people
- Greater visibility. References to HIV in speeches, etc, where relevant, not just speeches solely devoted to HIV.
- Advocacy for persons with HIV.
- Communication of administration's successes to public

4. Advisory Committee

- Should consist of the best possible people
- Clear and specific mission and function



United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington, D.C. 20240

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October 3, 1994

Memorandum

To: Carol Rasco
From: Bob Hattoy
Subject: Steve Morin

Thank you for all of your hard work regarding the National AIDS Policy Coordinator. I think the word is out that the President is "engaged" on this issue.

My two cents worth... If I had to choose I would say

Dr. Steve Morin is:

trustworthy,
loyal,
helpful,
friendly,
courteous,
kind,
obedient,
cheerful,
thrifty,

clean, brave and reverent.

That would be my choice. Let me know if I can be helpful.

Thanks

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October 13, 1994

William F. Condon, III
Director, Group Marketing
The Prudential
5900 North Andrews Avenue, Suite 1000
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

Dear Mr. Condon:

Thank you for sharing with me your endorsement of Mr. Ray Buckley. I have forwarded your letter to our Personnel Division.

Again, thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

Carol H. Rasco

Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy

CHR:ram

August 25, 1994

Mr. Bill Clinton
President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I would like to take this opportunity to recommend Ray Buckley for your consideration as the new National Director for AIDS policy. I have known Ray for the past fifteen years or so, both in and out of business.

In business he always demonstrated a grasp of the problem, and usually an ingenious way to solve it. His approach was always fresh and innovative, and he was usually successful. We need more of these kinds of people in government today.

For the past few years Ray has devoted himself exclusively to work with PWA's, and the cause of education, in which he strongly believes. I urge you to consider him for this post, one that I am sure he would handle with wisdom and strength.

Best regards,



William F. Condon, III
Director, Group Marketing

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 9/19/94

MEMORANDUM TO CAROL RASCO

FROM: Patsy Fleming
 SUBJECT: Background on 60 Minutes piece on mandatory HIV testing
 September 19, 1994

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Mandatory testing of all Americans has been rejected as unsound public policy by the overwhelming majority of public health professionals. It would be very costly (literally billions of dollars) and not very effective. It makes better public health and economic sense to target testing to at-risk populations and/or geographic areas with relatively high incidence. Statistically, the more low-risk individuals you test, the greater the number of false positive test results you would have.

Even testing all hospital patients would be costly (hundreds of millions of dollars a year, even if limited to adults below age 60) and would, again, result in false positives and wasted resources as testing would not be targeted to those most likely to be infected. The Public Health Service has issued guidelines encouraging routine, voluntary screening of all individuals who are admitted to primary health care settings in geographic areas with relatively high rates of infection.

The issue of testing pregnant women for HIV is a little more complicated, now that there is a medical intervention that may seriously reduce the likelihood of an infected mother passing on HIV to her child. (Initial studies show that with AZT therapy, transmission from mother to child can be reduced from about 25% to about 8%.) The stakes are higher -- but the solution of mandatory testing might, paradoxically, actually reduce the number of high-risk mothers who seek pre-natal care -- for fear that they will be stigmatized for being infected and/or might lose custody of their children after birth. Where quality counseling is offered, 90 percent of pregnant women will accept voluntary counseling.

PHS is in the process of developing guidelines relating to HIV testing and prenatal care. There is a meeting sponsored by HRSA today on this subject. The PHS is likely to recommend (in accordance with the recommendations of most clinicians who serve women at risk) that testing remain voluntary but that it be routinely offered and strongly encouraged through quality counseling.

The issue of new-born screening has also been very controversial. All new-borns are part of a blind screening program funded by the CDC. The issue that has been raised is whether this should be unblinded so that early diagnosis and intervention with the new born could occur. The PHS has continued to recommend that these tests not be unblinded for a number of reasons -- including the fact that a positive test from a new born is telling us the infection status of the mother, not the child. Because the infant is carrying the *mother's* HIV antibodies, all infants with HIV-infected mothers will test positive, even though only between one-fourth and one-third of them will actually be infected. Clearly, those infants with infected mothers need close monitoring and follow up. But it has been the consistent recommendation of the PHS that this be accomplished through voluntary testing of the mother -- both for her benefit and for the child's benefit.

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TERJE ANDERSON of Vermont

Mr. Anderson is the AIDS Program Chief for the Vermont Department of Health and founder of the Vermont Committee for AIDS Resources, Education and Services (Vermont CARES). He was Chair of the Vermont delegation to the 1992 Democratic National Convention.

MARY BOLAND of New Jersey

Ms. Boland, a registered nurse, has worked in the pediatric and adolescent HIV/AIDS field since 1983 when HIV was first diagnosed in children. She is the Director of the National Pediatric HIV Resource Center at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in Newark, and Director of the AIDS Program at the Children's Hospital of New Jersey.

WILFRED BRACERAS of Florida

Mr. Braceras is President and Chief Executive Officer of Med-Care Home Health Services.

ROBIN BROOKS of Illinois

Ms. Brooks is the Principal and Director of Valuation Services for Willamette Management Associates and a member of the Board of Directors for the AIDS Foundation of Chicago.

ROBERT FOGEL of Illinois

Mr. Fogel is a Partner in the law firm of Hilfman & Fogel and was formerly an attorney with Steinberg, Polacek & Goodman in Chicago.

DEBRA FRASER-HOWSE of New York

Ms. Fraser-Howse is the Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, the oldest and largest African-American AIDS organization of its kind. She is Vice Chair of the New York City Mayor's HIV Human Services Planning Council and chairs the Public Education Technology Committee at the National Institute of Health. In addition, Ms. Fraser-Howse is a former Director of Teenage Services at the New York Urban League and was a National Urban Fellow.

ELIZABETH GLASER of California

Ms. Glaser is the Co-Founder of the Pediatric AIDS Foundation. She contracted HIV through a blood transfusion, passing the virus to her two children. She told her story, including the loss of her daughter to AIDS, in her address to the 1992 Democratic National Convention. In the five years of its existence, the Pediatric AIDS Foundation has raised over \$23 million.

EDWARD GOULD of California

Mr. Gould serves as co-Chair of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Community Service Center, and as a member of the Boards of Directors of the United Way of Greater Los Angeles and Claremont McKenna College.

(Presidential HIV/AIDS Advisory Council continued)

PHYLLIS GREENBERGER of the District of Columbia

Ms. Greenberger is Associate Director of Government Relations for the American Psychiatric Association.

BOB HATTOY of California

Mr. Hattoy is an AIDS activist and the White House Liaison at the Department of the Interior.

R. SCOTT HITT of California

Dr. Hitt is a partner in California's largest private health care provider for patients with HIV. He is a member of the Boards of Directors of the Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center and the AIDS Project Los Angeles.

RANDY JACOBS of Washington

Dr. Jacobs, a surgeon, is a member of the Washington State Medical Association, the American Academy of Family Physicians, and the Northwest AIDS Foundation.

CAROL LAFAVOR of Minnesota

Ms. LaFavor, a registered nurse, is a member of the Board of Directors of the National Native American AIDS Prevention Center and has been an active spokesperson on AIDS as it relates to women and minorities.

RICHARD STEVEN KONG MUN LEW of California

Mr. Lew is Executive Director of the GAPA Community HIV Project in San Francisco and serves as a member of the San Francisco HIV Services Planning Council and as Chair of the Asian/Pacific AIDS Coalition of the San Francisco Bay area.

ALTAGRACIA PEREZ of Illinois

The Reverend Altagracia Perez is a member of the Joint Commission on AIDS of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, a member of the HDI Inc. Education Leadership Council on Latinos and AIDS, and a member of the Diocese of Chicago AIDS Task Force. She is also the founder and former President of the Chicago Hispanic AIDS Network.

A. STEPHEN PIETERS of California.

The Reverend A. Stephen Pieters is the Field Director of AIDS Ministry for the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches. He is a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Council of the AIDS National Interfaith Network and the Board of Governors of AIDS Project Los Angeles.

(Presidential HIV/AIDS Advisory Council continued)

ALEXANDER ROBINSON of the District of Columbia

Mr. Robinson is Legislative Representative for the American Civil Liberties Union AIDS/Lesbian and Gay Civil Rights Projects. He is also President of the DC Comprehensive AIDS Resources and Education Consortium and Co-Chair of the Civil Rights Task Force of the National Organization Responding to AIDS.

DEBBIE RUNIONS of Tennessee

Ms. Runions is a governmental affairs representative for the Tennessee Business Roundtable. She is a board member for the Metropolitan HIV/AIDS Comprehensive Care Center and United Way's Community AIDS Partnership.

BENJAMIN SCHATZ of California

Mr. Schatz is Executive Director of the American Association of Physicians for Human Rights. In 1985, he became the first attorney in the U.S. to work full-time on issues of AIDS-related discrimination.

DENISE STOKES of Georgia

Ms. Stokes is an AIDS and substance abuse education consultant, and former Lead Peer Counselor for OUTREACH, Inc., the first African-American HIV organization in the Southeast.

SANDRA L. THURMAN of Georgia

Ms. Thurman currently serves as Director of Advocacy Programs for the Task Force for Child Survival and Development at the Carter Center in Atlanta, which is sponsored by the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the World Bank, the United Nations Development Program and the Rockefeller Foundation. She previously served as Executive Director of AID Atlanta, the Southeast's largest and oldest community-based AIDS service organization.

JOSE TORO-ALFONSO of Puerto Rico

Mr. Toro-Alfonso is the founder and Director of the Fundacion SIDA de Puerto Rico, and a member of the San Juan Planning Council, the National Minority AIDS Council, and the National Hispanic/Latino AIDS Coalition. He is also an instructor at the University of Puerto Rico.

CHARLES QUINCY TROUPE of Missouri

Mr. Troupe represents part of St. Louis in the Missouri House of Representatives, where he is also Chairman of the Appropriations - Social Services and Corrections Committee. In this capacity, he has been a very visible advocate for increased HIV research for women and minorities. He is President of the Labor Caucus of the National Conference of State Legislatures, and Chairman of the Labor Management Roundtable of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators.

(Presidential HIV/AIDS Advisory Council continued)

BRUCE G. WENIGER of Georgia

Mr. Weniger is Director of the HIV/AIDS Collaboration, a joint research program in Thailand of the Thailand Ministry of Public Health and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control.

The Presidential HIV/AIDS Advisory Council was established to advise the President regarding short-range and medium-range goals for the "Action Agenda" consistent with the National Plan to Stop AIDS developed by the Office of the National AIDS Policy Coordinator. In addition, the Council shall advise the President regarding priorities for the implementation of the agenda and advise on any other such issues as the President may assign. The Council shall receive administrative support from the National AIDS Policy Office of the Department of Health and Human Services.

THE WHITE HOUSE

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January 4, 1994

David C. Harvey
National Pediatric HIV Resource Center
900 Second Street, NE
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Dear Mr. Harvey

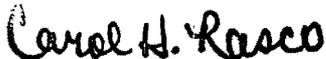
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Thank you again for your contribution.

Sincerely,



Carol H. Rasco
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December 6, 1993

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**Ryan White CARE Act Title IV
Pediatric and Adolescent AIDS Service Projects
Talking Points**

1. Congress consolidated FY 1994 funding for pediatric and adolescent HIV service projects in Title IV of the Ryan White CARE Act. Senate report language requires that existing pediatric and adolescent HIV demonstrations be "grandfathered" in to Title IV and that projects should ensure voluntary access to institutions and facilities conducting HIV clinical trials. In addition, Congress directed that projects link with CDC prevention programs to provide primary and secondary HIV prevention services, especially for adolescent women.
2. Title IV is administered by the Maternal & Child Health Bureau of HRSA. Currently 38 lead projects in 20 states, PR and D.C. provide comprehensive HIV care through 199 affiliate clinical service sites. These projects already provide or are in the process of providing access to HIV clinical trials.
3. The total number of clients served in 1992 was 28,738. This represents an 87% increase from 1991. The total number of families served in 1992 was 10,165, a 28% increase from 1991. Demand for services at project sites has increased over 50% for each of the previous three years.
4. The total number of women served in 1992 was 11,089, which represents a 124% increase from 1991. The total number of children (age 0-12) and adolescents (age 13-21) served in 1992 was 10,297 and 2,817 respectively. This represents a 81% increase for children and a 74% increase for adolescents. Five of six clients reported in 1992 were African-American or Hispanic.
5. The total number of outpatient encounters reported in 1992 was 103,008, representing a 117% increase over the previous year. The average number of outpatient encounters per client reported in 1992 was 4.17, as compared to 3.45 in 1991. The total number of inpatient admissions reported in 1992 was 3,718, representing a 62% increase over the previous year. A majority of clients (70%) reported in 1992 were insured by Medicaid and 9% were uninsured.
6. Congressional funding levels for pediatric and adolescent HIV services has remained essentially level funded for over 3 years. In FY 1994, despite separate requests of \$6 million for Title IV and \$21 million for pediatric and adolescent HIV demonstrations, Congress consolidated funding within Title IV at \$22 million. This is despite an overall increase of \$210 million for Titles I and II in FY 1994.
7. Title IV pediatric and adolescent HIV care projects provide or arrange for primary HIV care, mental health and substance abuse, family support, transportation, day care, nutrition, developmental services, screening and prevention services, as well as providing access to or linkages with HIV therapeutic research programs and clinical drug trials, and other services.

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8. Title IV requires service projects to link with institutions or facilities conducting research on HIV therapeutics or clinical trials. Currently, approximately 4000 children and 340 adolescents are enrolled in NIAID sponsored AIDS clinical trial units for children.

Funding Rationale

1. Women, adolescents and children with HIV are now the fastest growing segment of the HIV population in the United States, and currently constitute 12% of persons identified with HIV. Demand for services has increased over 50% from the previous year.
2. Pediatric and adolescent participation in NIH sponsored HIV clinical trial programs may be increased by linking Title IV service projects with clinical trials, especially for underserved African-American and Hispanic groups. Barriers to participation in trials include a lack of coordination between care and research which may be alleviated through requirements of Title IV; lack of transportation, day care and other support; and lack of understanding about participation in protocols.
3. 30 states, which includes low HIV incidence states, have no centrally organized capacity for delivering comprehensive HIV care and providing access to clinical trials. Title IV is one important means of delivering pediatric and adolescent HIV care.
4. By increasing funding for Title IV from \$22 million to \$62 million, it is estimated that the number of clients served could further be increased by approximately 75% (20,000 additional clients that includes women, adolescents and children), and that sites could better provide access to clinical trials and other research programs sponsored by NIH.
5. Many states, especially those in the low to middle incidence areas, have not begun to assess needs or plan for how HIV/AIDS services will be delivered to children, adolescents and families. Initial planning grants are needed to support data collection, needs assessments, and local planning meetings among service providers to begin to identify areas of needed infrastructure.
6. Specifically, additional funds could be spent in the following categories:
 - o \$6 million for initial planning and development of 15 new care/research programs and to implement new services.
 - o \$16 million to support existing comprehensive care sites to serve more clients, hire additional staff and provide more services to link with clinical research sites.
 - o \$14 million to strengthen and expand programs specifically for adolescents affected by HIV, who are grossly underserved in comprehensive care and clinical trials.
 - o \$4 million to enhance evaluation and data collection activities associated with provision of services and clinical research.

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November 30, 1993

Carol H. Rizzo
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy
Executive Office of the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20500

BY FAX: 202-456-2878

Dear Carol:

Knowing of your specific interest in children's disability issues and having been invited by you to several White House meetings, I am now writing to ask for your specific input at this critical time in the budget making process.

You may recall that this past summer I worked closely with Patsy Flemming, key Members of Congress, Kristine Gebbie, and Elizabeth Glaser to consolidate funding for pediatric and adolescent AIDS services within Title IV of the Ryan White CARE Act. You may also recall hearing discussions that Title IV is now a very important means of funding services for children, adolescents, and their families affected by HIV disease throughout the United States, and that Title IV establishes important linkages between care and research programs. This funding is distinct and administered separately from other provisions of the Ryan White CARE Act. Many of the service providers who care for children, adolescents and their families now receive most of their funding for HIV services through Title IV of the CARE Act. Without the significant guidance of Patsy Flemming, Elizabeth Glaser, Kristine Gebbie, and key Members of Congress, consolidation of funds within Title IV would not have occurred.

However, at this critical time, I am writing to strongly urge that The White House be committed to the statements of the President concerning the needs of American children and youth. Despite the President's statements, of \$210 million in increases for the Ryan White CARE Act in FY 1994, only \$1 million in increased funding was appropriated for Title IV. As you know, HIV infection rates are rapidly increasing among children, youth and women. Many service sites have experienced a 50% increase in clients served during each of the last three years with no increased funding.

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CAROL H. RASCO
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Jeremy Landau
Executive Director

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July 21, 1994

TO: Carol Rasco, **FAX #: 202-456-2878**
Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
The White House

FROM: Jeremy Landau, Executive Director
National Rural AIDS Network

Subject: National AIDS Policy Coordinator Appointment

Following discussion with our colleagues at several of the national AIDS organization, D. C., and being aware that you may be well along in the process of seeking a replacement for Kristine Gebbie, we would like to recommend for serious consideration, German Maisonet, M. D., for the position of national AIDS Policy Coordinator.

German Maisonet is an outspoken and responsible physician of impeccable reputation, currently serving as Director of Infection Control for the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Washington, D.C., and is responsible for new and previously successful TB control policies in the prison system. He has been active in HIV/AIDS work for over a decade, served on many board of directors and commissions, and provided expert testimony concerning HIV/disease.

The national Rural AIDS Network stand ready to assist you in the review process for this appointment – as well as implementation of a new and effective National AIDS Policy Office – especially where it becomes responsible concerning issues of rural import. If we may provide additional information, and/or a resume and reference for Dr. Maisonet, I hope you will contact us, immediately.

Thank you, in advance, for your attention to this matter.

1915 Rosina
Santa Fe, NM 87505
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May 4, 1994

MEMORANDUM TO Carol Rasco, Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
VIA FAX

FROM: Andrew E. Barrer, Ph.D.
Office of the National AIDS Policy Coordinator



SUBJECT: Presidential HIV/AIDS Advisory Council Charter revision

Kristine Gebbie asked that I forward you a modified Charter with two slight changes. The first is in Section 3 "two years commencing May 15, 1994...." and the second is in Section 8 increasing the membership to 25 total members (up from 21), and increasing the number of HIV identified to at least twelve.

The President has selected additional people he would like to have on the Council and Kris feel that we can expand the number of members to assure that there is a high level of diversity, by both including the new additions, and keeping the people of color balance that is needed.

Steve Neuwirth at the Counsel's office asked that you approve this modification before he makes the amendment.

My direct number is 632-1215. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

PRESIDENTIAL HIV/AIDS ADVISORY COUNCIL

CHARTER

1. Official Description

The Presidential HIV/AIDS Advisory Council ("Council").

2. Objectives, Scope of Activities and Description of Duties

The Council shall advise the President and the Office of the National AIDS Policy Coordinator regarding programs and policies intended to ensure effective prevention of HIV disease, advance research on all aspects of HIV and AIDS, and promote quality services to Americans living with HIV disease and AIDS; and shall advise the President on such other issues he may assign to the Council.

The duties of the Council are solely advisory in nature.

The Council may form subcommittees or teams to assist it in accomplishment of its objectives and duties. The subcommittees or teams may include individuals other than members of the Council and shall be balanced in terms of the interests represented and the Council's objectives and duties. The chairperson of the Council shall appoint subcommittee and team members from outside the Council's membership when necessary. The chairperson of the Council may invite experts to submit information to the Council and report to the Council on specific matters concerning national HIV/AIDS policy.

3. Duration

The Council shall exist for a period of two years commencing May 15 1994, unless extended by the President. The Council will have continuing responsibility for advising the President during its existence.

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4. Official to Whom the Advisory Council Reports

The Council will report to the President.

5. Agency Responsible for Providing Support for the Council

The Council shall receive administrative and other support from the National AIDS Policy Office of the Department of Health and Human Services.

6. Estimated Annual Operating Costs

The annual operating costs for the Council are estimated to be approximately \$100,000 per year.

7. Estimated Number and Frequency of Meetings

The Council shall meet three times a year, at regular intervals, and at such other times as the President or Council Chair may direct. The total number of meetings during the two years of operation is not expected to exceed eight.

8. Membership

There shall be no more than twenty-five (25) members of the Council. The Chairperson of the Council shall be the National AIDS Policy Coordinator. The remaining twenty-four (24) members of the Council shall be appointed by the President. At least twelve (12) members of the Council shall be persons with HIV disease or AIDS, or the immediate family members of persons with HIV disease or AIDS. Each member shall serve for a period of two years and, in the event this Charter is extended pursuant to Section 3, may be reappointed for additional terms at the President's discretion.

OFFICE OF DOMESTIC POLICY

THE WHITE HOUSE

FROM THE OFFICE OF: CAROL H. RASCO
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 6, 1994

MEMORANDUM TO CAROL RASCO

FROM: Kristine M. Gebbie, R.N., M.N.
National AIDS Policy Coordinator

SUBJECT: 8th International Conference on AIDS in Africa and 8th
Annual Conference on Sexually Transmitted Diseases,
Marrakech, Morocco, December 12-16, 1993

At the invitation of the Moroccan government, I attended the above-referenced conferences.

I. Participation.

- A. Kristine M. Gebbie, National AIDS Policy Coordinator.
- B. Other senior U.S. officials.
 - 1. Prudence Bushnell, Deputy Assistant Secretary for African Affairs, Department of State (DOS).
 - 2. Dr. David Satcher, Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).
 - 3. Dr. Helene Gayle, Director, AIDS Program, Bureau of Health, U.S. Agency for International Development (U.S.AID)
 - a. participated in organizing committee.
- C. Other U.S. officials.
 - 1. U.S.AID officials associated with African projects.
 - 2. CDC staff.
 - 3. National Institutes of Health (NIH) and Department of Defense (DOD) researchers.
 - 4. HHS Public Health Service (PHS) Office of International Health staff.

II. Observations and comments.

- A. This was an important gathering for making connections.
- B. Scientists and program managers had opportunities to meet about current or planned projects.
- C. United Nations (UN) agencies (World Health Organization Global Program on AIDS, UN Development Program) could meet with partners and interested individuals.
- D. Individual donor nations could meet with interested individuals or national representatives.
- E. Moreover, this was the first international appearance of a White House AIDS policy individual: though no major speech was given, the signalling of high level interest in the global epidemic, and the interest in learning was taken as a positive sign.

III. AIDS in the Military.

- A. A small group of representatives of national military organizations met for the second time to compare interests and consider forming an organization of some kind. There are several uniting themes:
 - 1. problems of handling HIV infected active duty military personnel;
 - 2. problems of returning infected individuals to the civilian population; and
 - 3. problems of infection rates in potential recruits.
- B. The group decided to form under the aegis of the International AIDS Society.
- C. The U.S. representative, Colonel Donald Burke, of the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, is an active participant and clearly a respected member of the group.
- D. In comments to the group, the AIDS Policy Coordinator emphasized a need to focus not only on research using military populations, or toward a vaccine, which seemed to dominate the discussion, but the need to understand that the military is not a population insulated from

the rest of any society with all of the treatment and prevention concerns closely associated.

- E. Given the important role of the military in the infrastructure of so many countries, there is reason to support this emerging association as one tool for the development of HIV-associated programs globally.

IV. Future Question.

- A. The question which emerged for me is "does the US have any real overall strategy for HIV investments internationally?" The military interest is dominantly on vaccine development, the Public Health Service supports research, and the US AID investment is tied to a shifting foreign policy strategy.
- B. The recommendation is that the AIDS Policy Office convene representatives of all agencies working on AIDS globally to document current efforts, consider how best to describe and relate them to one another, AND develop a more targeted approach for future years.

I would like to discuss this memo in our next meeting.

THE WHITE HOUSE
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CAROL H. RASCO
Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy

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A verbal response
from Tony Lake's office
confirmed that we had
no problems w/ this.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 29, 1994

TO: Tony Lake
FROM: Carol H. Rasco
RE: Attached memo from Kristine Gebbie

This raises some questions in my mind.
What do you think?

Thanks.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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March 22, 1994

MEMORANDUM

TO: Carol Rasco, Domestic Policy Council
Timothy Wirth, Department of State
Anthony Lake, National Security Council

FROM: Kristine M. Gebbie, R.N., National AIDS Policy Coordinator *W. Steiner for*

SUBJECT: Attendance at Government of France Sponsored AIDS
Meeting, April 8, 1994

The purpose of this memo is to update you on my tentative plans to attend the upcoming meeting on April 8, 1994, in Paris, France. This meeting was originally scheduled to be a planning meeting for the AIDS ministerial level meeting which will be held in Paris on June 17, 1994.

Neither an agenda nor any plan geared towards expected outcomes for either meeting has been received to date. While the April meeting was at first proposed to be an experts' meeting of twelve donor nations, it was cancelled, by the French, in favor of a "sherpas" meeting. In this instance, a sherpa is a national AIDS coordinator. The purpose of the sherpa meeting is to refine a French-drafted declaration which will be used as the terminal document for a chiefs of state meeting at a yet to be determined date in November. The major change is from a technical to a political level meeting. No agreement has been reached about the November meeting and it would be premature to work on a declaration for a meeting that has yet to be proposed by the Government of France.

While not enough specifics are available to make a final decision on attending this meeting, I would like to propose the following USG personnel to attend as the US delegation: Prudence Bushnell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Africa Bureau, Department of State; Helene Gayle, Director, Office of HIV/AIDS, Agency for International Development; and Kenneth Bernard, Associate Director for Medical and Scientific Affairs, Office of International and Refugee Health, Public Health Service.

Please contact me at 632-1090 if you have any questions about our participation.

Thank you.

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL AIDS POLICY COORDINATOR



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April 6, 1994

MEMORANDUM TO CAROL RASCO

FROM: Kristine M. Gebbie *N. Ste. La. for*
National AIDS Policy Coordinator

SUBJECT: Weekly Report beginning April 6, 1994

THIS WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENT

The Office of National Policy Coordination has just completed the National Action Agenda to Stop HIV.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Paris

Meeting with coordinators from various governments to prepare for the proposed meeting of Prime Ministers on International Mobilization Against AIDS.

Ft. Lauderdale

Speech before Center One annual benefit participants. Meetings with local pediatric clinicians, AIDS service providers, and community groups.

Washington

Keynote speech before the American Society of Newspaper Editors on communication. Meeting with AIDS constituent groups on the National Action Agenda to Stop HIV; Friends of the Institute of Nursing research on research; U.S. Conference of Local Health Officers to discuss HIV prevention among men of color; DC Office of HIV/AIDS on community planning; and the Association of Schools of Public Health on health reform, research, and the FY95 budget.

Meeting with Department of State staff on HIV prevalence in Southeast Asia.

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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Washington

Meetings with Counselor Tim Wirth on the upcoming French AIDS Summit; National Institutes of Health and Office of AIDS Research on interoffice communication and collaboration; Department of Defense on research and collaboration; and HHS on the National Task Force on AIDS Drug Development.

Meetings with National Health and Public Hospital Institute on health reform; Oregon Ecumenical Ministries on community leadership; and D.C. Office of HIV/AIDS on community planning.

Hartford

Town hall meeting and panel discussion on health reform before at St. Joseph's College (sponsored by the Stewart B. McKinney Foundation); town hall meeting with the Connecticut Nursing Foundation on health reform and national AIDS policy directions.

PRESS

Local press in conjunction with visit to Hartford.

Interview with Faith and Health on leadership within the religious community.

Interview with Medicine and Health on AIDS leadership.

E X E C U T I V E O F F I C E O F T H E P R E S I D E N T

07-Dec-1994 11:00am

TO: Carol H. Rasco

FROM: Jeremy D. Benami
Domestic Policy Council

CC: Rosalyn A. Miller

SUBJECT: ADAPT

Spoke to several people at HUD several times yesterday and today.

They have sent a letter to ADAPT - which they are faxing to you immediately and should be in a red folder in your in box - signed by Roberta Acthenberg yesterday.

They called today to set a meeting with ADAPT.

They are bringing on a woman on Roberta's staff - Bonnie Milstein - who will be the point person on 504 implementation and she will start on January 3 and be ADAPT's key point of contact.

Hope this is helpful!!



U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
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December 5, 1994



OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
FOR FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

Ms. Stephanie Thomas
National Organizer
ADAPT
201 South Cherokee Street
Denver, CO 80223

Dear Ms. Thomas:

On behalf of Secretary Cisneros, thank you for your letter of October 21, 1994, regarding your organization's concerns with the Department's enforcement of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended. I appreciate the time ADAPT took to write to the Department and to meet with staff in my Office and in the Office of General Counsel.

I want to assure you that this Department takes the enforcement of Section 504 and the rights and needs of persons with disabilities very seriously. Further, my Office has begun investigating and addressing the concerns raised in your letter and in the list of "ADAPT DEMANDS REGARDING HUD ENFORCEMENT OF DISABILITY RIGHTS."

After analyzing ADAPT's issues and "DEMANDS," I have determined that, while the Department can be fully responsive to several of your concerns, more specific information and additional time are needed on other issues. As a result, I have asked Susan Forward, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Investigations, to initiate further discussions with ADAPT on your concerns and recommendations. Ms. Forward may be contacted at (202) 708-4211.

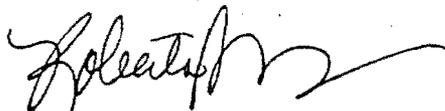
I have also asked Sara Pratt, Director of the Office of Investigations, and Cheryl Kent, Director of the Disability Rights Division in the Office of Program Compliance and Disability Rights, to participate in the discussions with ADAPT and in resolving ADAPT's concerns. In addition, my staff will share ADAPT's concerns with other Program Assistant Secretaries and will work with the program offices to develop a prompt resolution to each concern.

One issue on which I need additional information and clarification is your allegation that the Department's failure to implement Section 504 has resulted in segregation and unnecessary institutionalization of persons with disabilities. If ADAPT can identify specific examples of such segregation or unnecessary

institutionalization, and provide the names of the individuals who may be potential complainants, this Department will initiate complaint investigations or compliance reviews.

I hope this information is helpful, and I appreciate ADAPT's bringing its concerns to the Department's attention.

Sincerely,



Roberta Achtenberg
Assistant Secretary

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

04-Dec-1994 01:35pm

TO: Rosalyn A. Miller

FROM: Carol H. Rasco
Economic and Domestic Policy

SUBJECT: your friend from ADAPT

Please track down Stephanie Thomas (duplicate letters in outbox) tomorrow, tell her I was unable to get back to her last week due to an unexpected personal issue, that we will be back to her by the close of business this Wednesday with an expected date on the HUD follow up letter.

Thanks. (Don't let me forget about Wednesday deadline.)

*by Carol-
Roz will
handle from
home today
12/5*

Letter arrived
10/31 (late)

- CRK in mtg
all day 2 day
- Ack. Receipt / will
See late 2 day
- CRK sched. full in
coming day - will

Call by next ~~at~~ Monday.



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Ms Carol Rasco
Domestic Policy Advisor
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

October 21, 1994

Dear Ms. Rasco,

Last week a number of ADAPT members had a meeting with HUD officials regarding HUD's failure to enforce the Rehabilitation Act (Section 504) and, specifically, the federal implementing regulations, which require five percent of federally-financed construction and rehabilitation to be accessible to person with physical\visual\hearing disabilities.

As you know, Section 504 (like the Americans with Disabilities Act) is a civil rights statute. Unfortunately, HUD does not consider "disability" a class entitled to fundamental civil rights protections. After our meeting, we instructed our attorney to begin drafting a lawsuit against HUD for its failure to implement Section 504 (as well as the Fair Housing Act), primarily because we have been discriminated against since the 504 regulations were promulgated. HUD would not treat people of color or other civil rights classes with the contempt and disregard that HUD treats people with disabilities.

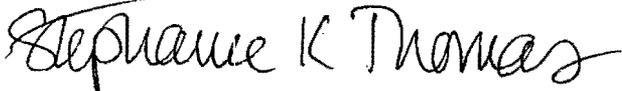
As a result of HUD's failure\refusal to implement Section 504, persons are segregated and\or unnecessarily institutionalized. Because of their disabilities and need for access and\or reasonable accommodations people and are forced either to live unnecessarily in nursing facilities or other institutions (thus adding unnecessary costs and federal reimbursement), or are forced to literally crawl through inaccessible apartments and housing. If HUD had implemented Section 504 for the past six years, we now would have a significant number of accessible units for persons with

mobility\visual\hearing disabilities. What is most depressing, but a sure reflection that HUD does not treat people with disabilities as it does people who do not have disabilities, is that the Section 504 implementation would not have cost additional money.

We really would like to avoid both civil disobedience actions, as well as a lawsuit. To avoid these, we want a meeting with you at which, on behalf of this administration, you would tell us: (1) how HUD will remedy the past six years of non-enforcement, and (2) what HUD plans to do in the future to implement Section 504 and Fair Housing with a specific timetable and specific numbers.

Attached please find ADAPT's recommendations for correcting HUD's lack of enforcement.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephanie K Thomas".

Stephanie Thomas,
National Organizer ADAPT

cc. Stephen Gold, Esq.
Betsy Julian, Dept General Counsel
Sarah Pratt, Fair Housing



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U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Washington, D.C. 20410-0500

OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

November 3, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR: Carol Rasco, Assistant to the President,
Domestic Policy Council
The White House

FROM: Elizabeth K. Julian, Deputy General Counsel -
Civil Rights and Litigation

SUBJECT: ADAPT Letter of October 21, 1994

This is a brief update regarding the concerns raised in the October 21, 1994 letter from ADAPT.

1. At Mr. Steve Gold's request, I met with him and several disability advocates on Thursday, October 13, 1994. Sara Pratt, Director of Investigations for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO), attended the meeting as well. The disability advocates voiced the concerns outlined in the October 21 letter and said they wanted HUD to devote greater resources to the enforcement of Section 504. The meeting lasted over an hour.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the individuals from ADAPT agreed to send me a letter setting out their concerns and specific requests. In the meantime, I have traded phone calls with Stephanie Thomas, the signer of the letter, but I have not as yet received the letter that they agreed to send.

2. Nevertheless, Assistant Secretary Roberta Achtenberg and her FHEO staff is currently in the process of gathering information on HUD's Section 504 enforcement. In addition, they are preparing specific and comprehensive responses to the list of demands attached to the October 21 letter. Some of ADAPT's demands, however, require a need for more internal discussion and time.

3. At this point, we plan to proceed as we indicated at the October 13 meeting -- we will prepare a written response to the letter, and set up a meeting with ADAPT and their lawyers. Our goal is to explore the various issues in detail with them and address their concerns without the need for litigation.



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THE WHITE HOUSE
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October 31, 1994

Mr. Mike Auberger
National Organizer
ADAPT
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Denver, Colorado 80203

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Sincerely,

Bill Clinton

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The President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

October 21, 1994

Dear President Clinton:

ADAPT, American Disabled for Attendant Programs Today, also known as American Disabled for Accessible Public Transportation, is shocked to learn that your administration is backing down on its commitment for full implementation of the Americans with Disabilities Act, ADA, especially on the issue of transportation.

Specifically, we are concerned about the proposed rules now being drafted by the Department of Transportation implementing accessibility requirements for privately owned and operated over-the-road buses (such as Greyhound). These proposed rules are now five months overdue.

Worse still, ADAPT has learned your administration will not commit to the position that all newly purchased over-the-road buses must be lift equipped. This is ADAPT's position and that of every major disability group in the country, and has been for over a decade.

The U.S. Office of Technology Assessment (OTA), the technical research arm of Congress, was directed by Section 305 of the ADA, to study accessibility for over-the-road (OTR) buses and to report on what changes were needed to accommodate wheelchairs and the cost involved, the effectiveness and other impacts.

In May, 1993 OTA released its study which said that the best option was that all new over-the-road buses must be lift equipped or all stops must be designed so people can get on the bus without being carried on. The report also stated that the cost would not be prohibitive. OTR industry representatives were an integral part of this study.

Access to transportation is one of the most important issues to the disability community. ADAPT members went to jail for a decade for the right to ride.

Members of ADAPT met with Secretary of Transportation Penn on May 12, 1994. The results of that meeting were not.

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encouraging. There was no indication from the Secretary that the Clinton administration was committed to full access to over-the road buses by people with disabilities.

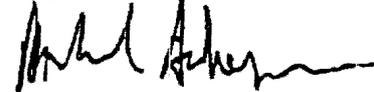
This was personally disturbing considering Secretary Penn's support of ADAPT and our position on transportation when he was Mayor of Denver.

We want your administration to commit, that starting July 20, 1996 for large bus companies and July 26, 1997 for smaller bus companies, all newly purchased over-the-road buses be equipped with lifts so people in wheelchairs and those with other disabilities can access the over-the-road bus system.

Please respond by October 31, 1994.

We Will Ride!

For a Barrier and Institution Free America.



Mike Auberger
National Organizer



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1339 LAMAR SQ. DR. #B AUSTIN, TEXAS 78704 (512) 442-0252

MEMO

TO: Rosalind Miller White House Domestic Policy
202/456-2878 fax 202/456-2216 phone
FROM: Stephanie Thomas ADAPT
512/442-0522 fax 512/442-0252 phone
RE: Meeting with Carol Rasco
DATE: 11/9/94

I wanted to follow up with you about my meeting with Carol Rasco on November 15th at 2:15pm. I am headed out of town tomorrow and wanted to get you this information before I left. I will be back in my office by the time of that meeting so you can call me at my office number, listed below.

Michael Auberger is our National Organizer who will be in Washington on the 15th. As I said to you on the phone, we believe it would be much better for him to meet with Ms. Rasco in person, with me on the phone, but if that can not work you can reach him at the Crystal City Marriot number listed below. I will not know his room number until Monday and will call you then to let you know.

Stephanie Thomas 512/442-0252.

Michael Auberger the Crystal City Marriot 703/413-5500.

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