



October 24, 1994

Ms. Carol H. Rasco
 Assistant to the President
 on Domestic Affairs
 THE WHITE HOUSE
 Washington, DC

Dear Carol,

I received a copy of your kind note to my Mother about being unable to attend the Best Buddies Ball this past Saturday night. The event was a success. We generated over \$200,000.00 for our programs through the United States.

As you may know, President Clinton was our Honorary Chairman. I hope next year we can get him to attend.

Best Buddies works to enhance the social, recreational and employment opportunities for people with mental retardation. Best Buddies has experienced great success in the past few years. Best Buddies has three programs in operation:

BEST BUDDIES COLLEGES establishes chapters on college campuses and pairs college students one to one with people with mental retardation. The goal is mutually enriching friendships. We are currently active on 172 colleges world wide, including over 6,000 volunteers.

BEST BUDDIES JOBS is a supportive employment program. We work to secure competitive paying jobs for people with mental retardation. The jobs program currently exists in South Florida.

"The only way to have a friend is to be one." Ralph Waldo Emerson

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BEST BUDDIES CITIZENS, is similar to the college program. It seeks to secure friendships with working citizens and individuals with mental retardation. It has an active program in Miami and Salt Lake City, Utah.

I hope our paths will cross in the near future. If you have any thoughts or suggestions, please let me know.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'AKS', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Anthony K. Shriver
President

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