The original documents are located in Box 1, folder "Hearing and Speech Month Message, 1976" of the Eliska Hasek Files at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library.

Copyright Notice

The copyright law of the United States (Title 17, United States Code) governs the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted material. Gerald R. Ford donated to the United States of America his copyrights in all of his unpublished writings in National Archives collections. Works prepared by U.S. Government employees as part of their official duties are in the public domain. The copyrights to materials written by other individuals or organizations are presumed to remain with them. If you think any of the information displayed in the PDF is subject to a valid copyright claim, please contact the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library.

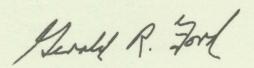
THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Better Hearing and Speech Month May 1976

In the forty-eight years since this observance was first initiated, we have made significant progress in caring for those with hearing and speech problems.

Our national concern for the handicapped is evidenced in our laws and in the actions of our courts. It is the motivating force in the work of countless volunteers and civic leaders across our nation.

But a month of concern is not enough. We must expand our personal involvement and dedicate our individual efforts to the long-term public commitment to ensure the well-being of all our handicapped citizens. In this spirit, I urge all Americans to respond to the message of this special month.





E. Harek 12/E0B

