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July 22, 1975

Dear Mr. Melchior:

The forty-fifth analyersary of The Paily News of the Virgin Islands gives me a welcome opportunity to applied an admirable tradition of journalistic integrity and responsibility. This is a great milestone for the Virgin Islands. It reflects a tradition of dedicated service to both residents and visitors alike,

I congratulate you, your staff and your readers, and I wish you many more successful years shead.

Stacerely,

Mr. Ariel Melchier, Sr., Publisher The Daily News of the Virgin Islands Charlette Amalia St. Thomas, Virgin Islands 90801

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cc: D. E. Downton/R. Nessen/S. Scott/B. Hartmann/E. Hasek/CF DUE: ASAP (Printing) Cleared by Paul Theis/Bob Hartmann,

7/24-mr. Melcheir Called. He had not received the letter. Paul Their advises letter was mail morning of July 23, (Deadline was aug. 1 4) Faul is going to call mr. Mulcheir about this. (nm) Betty and I were delighted to learn of the grand reunion of your own Ford family in Wabash. I greatly regret that my European trip is making your husband miss this happy event.

This occasion is particularly memorable because it celebrates four very special wedding anniversaries: Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Ford, Mr. and Mrs. John Ford and Mrs. and Mrs. Richard Ford, who are marking their fiftieth wedding anniversaries this year, and Mrs. and Mrs. Holton Ford who are observing fifty-five years of married life. In this era of planned obsolescence, it's great to see so many Fords with a fifty-year warranty!

Betty and I hope that you will express our warmest congratulations to these very fortunate members of your family. We hope that it will be a great day for all who participate.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Arthur A. Hartman 2738 McKinley Street, NW. Washington, D. C. 20015

Actually cent by WH messenger ASAP to:
Mr. Arthur A. Hartman
Office of the Assistant Secretary for European Affairs
Reem 6226-NS
Department of State
Washington, D. C.



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September 3, 1975

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Turley:

Mrs. Ford and I were delighted to learn from James Roosevelt that you celebrated your sixty-fifth wedding anniversary on August 10, and we would like to join with your family and friends in extending our warmest wishes to you.

Your devotion to each other is an example which surely inspires the admiration of all who have the pleasure of knowing you. We can imagine the happiness that must be yours in having celebrated this important and very special day. May you be blessed with the peace and joy you so richly deserve.

Sincerely,

GERALD R. FOLD

Mr. and Mrs. A.P. Turley 16221 Orchard Avenue Gardena, California 90247

cc: Pani Theis

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The White House

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FULL RATE OR
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DAY LETTER

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SEPTEMBER 12, 1975

MR. ARTHUR FIEDLER
c/o MR. AND MARS. JAMES L. STEWART
CENTURY PLAZA HOTEL
AVENUE OF THE STARS
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90067

I AM PROUD OF JOIN YOUR DISTINGUISHED LOS ANGELES AUDIENCE
AND PEOPLE THROUGHOUT AMERICA IN SALUTING YOU AND THE
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PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY
MALIBU, CALIFORNIA 90265

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(Approved by Robert T. Hartmann)

BLOEDORN, Mrs. Charles A. (Polly)

(25th anniv. of Rock Creek Women's

Republican Club)

September 16, 1975

Dear Mrs. Bloedorn:

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Kind personal regards,

/s/ Jerry Ford

Mrs. Charles A. Bloedorn President Rock Creek Women's Republican Club 5304 Wriley Road Washington, D. C. 20016

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President

Rock Creek Women's Republican Club

5304 Wriley Road

Washington, D. C. 20016

September 23, 1975

Dear John:

I thoroughly welcome the opportunity to add my personal sentiments to the celebration of John McCormack Day in Boston.

From the earliest days of our association in the Congress, I grew to cherish and appreciate the qualities that earned you the trust of your constituents, prominence in your Party and respect nationwide.

Politics often puts us in opposite aisles. But integrity and devotion to the public good unite us. I feel, as so many others who have worked side by side with you, that partisan differences never got in the way of your ability to share your wisdom and to cooperate fully with others for the benefit of your countrymen.

This is why your former colleagues, constituents and countless friends feel as much affection and admiration for you now in your retirement as they did throughout your public life. This is why none of us can ever forget your responsible leadership and great personal courage.

I send you my very best wishes on this occasion and hope that it will be a happy and memorable one for all who participate.

Sincerely,

The Honorable John W. McCormack 1498 John W. McCormack Post Office and Courthouse Boston, Massachusetts 02109



(Mr. Considine died)

THE WHITE HOUSE

September 24, 1975 3:50 p.m.

Mr. Hartmann:

Paul Theis would like your comments on this telegram to Bob Considine who had a heart attack today and is in critical condition.

Gail



TELEGRAM

CONSIDINE, BOB

The **Mhite House Mashington**

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STRAIGHT WIRE

Bob Considine
c/o New York Medical Center
University Hospital
560 First Street
New York, New York

BETTY JOINS ME IN BEST WISHES FOR YOUR QUICK RECOVERY
AND RETURN TO THE REPORTING AND WRITING WHICH HAVE
INSPIRED AMERICANS THROUGHOUT YOUR OUTSTANDING CAREER.
OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU AND MILLIE AT
THIS TIME.

GERALDR, FORD

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 24, 1975

Dear Kenny:

Bob Hartmann has advised me that you recently underwent open-heart surgery and are presently convalescing at home.

Betty joins me in best wishes for your quick recovery. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Warm personal regards,

The Honorable Kenneth Hahn
3157 West 78th Place
Los Angeles, California 90043

Deptember 15, 1975

Dear Carroll:

Betty and I want to be among your many friends saluting you and wishing you well as you complete your tour of duty here at the White House.

It is no easy task to be admired and respected on both sides of the line in the Press Room, but you have earned that respect by performing with the highest professional standards of journalism. You have a keen eye for news and a special sense of what is newsworthy. But those of us who know you well know, too, that you couple these qualities with a great love for our Nation, and a warm and generous feeling for people, their problems and their needs.

All of us here will miss you, but none of us will really say goodbye. We hope you will be enjoying a more relaxed life style in the days ahead, but we want you to be sure and know that the door is always open here at the White House for you.

With warmest personal regards,

JERRY FORD

Mr. Carroll Kilpstrick 5021 Sentinel Drive Washington, D. C. 20016

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September 24, 1975

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to join the Metropolitan Washington Board of Trade in its traditional salute to the police and firemen of the District of Columbia.

It is most fitting that we recognize and express our gratitude for the selfless devotion of these individuals to the safety and well-being of our community.

I am sure that all the citizens of our Nation's Capital and our many visitors join me in these sentiments. We will all be there in spirit with these who attend this meaningful and worthwhile event.

Sent to:

Mr. Clarence A. Arata
Executive Vice President
The Metropolitan Washington
Board of Trade
Board of Trade Building
1129 Twentieth Street, NW.
Washington, D. C. 20036

GRF:Hasek:jmc

ce: D.E. Downton/R. Nessen/R. Hartmann(fyi)/E. Hasek/GF /J. Falk EVENTL OCTOBER 2 Requested by Mr. Arata



STRAIGHT WIRE - SEPTEMBER 25, 1975

David Patrick Dockerty.
6526 - 51st Terrace North
St. Petersburg, Florida 33516

My warmest congratulations to you on becoming an Eagle Scout. It must be a great source of pride to your parents that both you and your brother have achieved this high honor. I share their sentiments as well as their confidence that you will always remain strong in the qualities that earned you this recognition. They are qualities which will surely give you personal self-fulfillment and enrich your community and country in the years ahead.

With best regards.

GERALD R. FORD

DUE: NOON, SEPT. 26
GRF:Hasek:ck
cc: D.E.Downton/R.Nessen/B.Hartmann(gail)/E.Hasek/CF
EVENT: SEPT. 28, 1975
Requested through Mr. Hartmann's office.

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October 9, 1975

Dear Mrs. Morrison:

The sad news of Fred's death has just reached me, and Mrs. Ford and I join in sending our deepest sympathy to you and your family.

Fred Morrison was an exceptional man. His kindness and goodwill towards others were reflected in many ways. I am sure that all of us who are familiar with his life will always remember his service to our Nation and to the Republican Party.

While words have little meaning at this time I hope the memory of the life you shared will help to lighten the burden of sorrow for you. You will be in our thoughts and in our hearts in the difficult days ahead.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Fred Morrison Post Office Box 30 Oletown, Maryland 21555

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ce: Hartmann



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

October 29, 1975

Dear Bob:

I want to join in congratulating my Counsellor and friend, Bob Hartmann, on his well-deserved honor.

Next to receiving my own Eagle Scout badge, the proudest moment of my association with Scouting was when I received the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award from the Grand Valley Council of Grand Rapids.

During the decade Bob has been at my side in the Congress, the Office of the Vice President and the White House, he has abundantly proven how well he learned the first Scout Law -- a Scout is loyal. Nor has he forgotten all the others. I am proud that many of my top advisers were once Eagle Scouts -- I know of no better training for dedicated public service and good citizenship than the fine program of the Boy Scouts of America.

Please convey my congratulations and best wishes for a successful evening to all the new Eagles honored at your dinner, and their friends.

Warm personal regards,

The Honorable Robert H. Finch 523 West 6th Street Los Angeles, California 90014

October 29, 1975

EXECUTIVE MEL/

Dear Mrs. Bruce:

The news of your ninety-eighth birthday has just come to my attention, and although this note is belated, Mrs. Ford and I would like to join in expressing our hearty congratulations to you at this time.

We hope you had a wonderful day, and may you always know the richest blessings of health and happiness.

Sincerely

Mrs. Douglas Bruce c/o Mrs. W.E. Parms 6334 Buena Vista San Diego, California

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✓ cc: Bob Hartmann



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

November 10, 1975

Dear Harry:

I am very pleased to join with Governor Godwin and your many friends in honoring you on your tenth anniversary in the United States Senate. You have served with distinction. Your diligent work and devotion to the duties of your office have won you the high respect of your colleagues in the Senate and your constituents in the "Cardinal" state.

Betty and I send our best wishes to both you and Gretchen on this memorable occasion.

Warm personal regards,

/s/ JERRY FORD

The Honorable Harry F. Byrd, Jr. United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20510

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oc: Bob Hartmann



TELEGRAM

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE
ROCCHIO, Joseph
Message to the 19th Annual
Convention of Swimming
Pool Contractors, 11/22

DELIVER DO NOT PHONE

November 19, 1975

Mr. Joseph Rocchio President National Swimming Pool Institute of America International Hotel New Orleans, Louisiana

Please convey to your 19th Annual Convention my warm greetings and gratitude for the Institute's role in making possible the permanent swimming pool at the White House.

I regret that I was unable to accept your kind invitation but an sending my Counsellor, Bob Hartmann, to tell you how much my disposition has improved since I've been able to have my daily swim again. It is a wonderful exercise and relaxation and contributes to the health and happiness of millions of Americans.

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GARLOCK, Lyle

(letter of condolence - get well soon)

November 26, 1975

Dear Lyle:

I understand you have had a little setback in your health but I am glad to hear you are home and in your usual good spirits. I know you always bounce back better than ever, but be sure all your friends here are wishing you a speedy recovery.

Warm personal regards,

/s/ JERRY FORD

The Honorable Lyle Garlock Apt. 307 225 Hourglass Way Sarasota, Florida 33581

GRF:RTH:nm



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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

THE WHITE HOUSE

December 5, 1975

IMMEDIATE PRECEDENT, UNCLASSIFIED

MEMORANDUM TO:

RED CAVANEY

FROM:

GWEN ANDERSON

Please send the following message from your location to Mr. John T. Williams, c/o Mr. David Jones, Republican State Central Committee, 306 Gay Street, Nashville, Tennessee, 37201. See attached request.

"I am most pleased to join your many friends gathered tonight to honor your long time efforts on behalf of the Republican Party. It is my belief that our country and our Party will remain strong if people such as yourself continue to dedicate their time and efforts to build and strengthen our Party and the principles for which we stand. May I wish you every success for the future."

Please confirm whether or not this message is sent.

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Information copy: Robert T. Hartmann

Dick Cheney

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON
December 4, 1975

MEMORANDUM TO:

GWEN ANDERSON

FROM:

PETER MCPHERSON

SUBJECT:

Presidential Message to Mr. John Williams from Memphis, Tennessec

This memorandum is to request that a Presidential message be sent to Mr. John T. Williams of Memphis, Tennessee. Mr. Williams has been a very important member of the Tennessee Republican Party for many years. He owns American Bankers, an insurance company.

A surprise Testimonial Dinner in his honor is taking place in Memphis on December 6, 1975. To help honor Mr. Williams, the Tennessee Republican State Committee has received several telegrams from Republicans including, Vice President Rockefeller, Mary Louise Smith, Senators Baker and Brock, and Governor Reagan.

I recommend that a short telegram from the President be sent to the following address: Mr. David Jones, Republican State Central Committee, 306 Gay Street, Nashville, Tennessec 37201.

The following are suggested remarks to be used in the President's telegram:

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DECEMBER 4. 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR RED CAVANEY

FROM: GWEN ANDERSON

COPIES TO: ROBERT HARTMANN DICK CHENEY

PLEASE SENT THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM YOUR LOCATION TO:

MR. MICHAEL S. DOWNING CHAIRMAN, MAUI COUNTY COMMITTEE REPUBLICAN PARTY OF HAWAII 2180 MAIN STREET WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAII 96793

SINCE MY SCHEDULE DOES NOT ALLOW TIME FOR ME TO PERSONALLY ATTEND YOUR LUAU, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS MEANS OF CON-GRATULATING YOU FOR YOUR INVOLVEMENT AND ENTHUSIASM IN EX-PANDING THE PHILOSOPHY OF OUR PARTY. WORKING TOGETHER IN THE MONTHS AHEAD AND IN THE SPIRIT THAT IS HELPING TO BUILD REPUBLICANISM IN HAWAII, WE HAVE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO STRENGTHEN OUR PARTY AND THE PRINCIPLES FOR WHICH WE STAND. SUCH DEDICATION CAN ONLY CONTRIBUTE TO THE VICTORIES WE ALL SEEK IN THE UPCOMING ELECTIONS. (SIGNED) GERALD FORD.

PLEASE CONFIRM THAT THE MESSAGE HAS BEEN SENT.

ATTACHMENT AS FOLLOWS

NOVEMBER 25, 1975

DEAR PRESIDENT FORD.

AS THE ENCLOSED ARTICLE SHOWS, YOU WILL BE IN HONOLULU

ON DECEMBER 7, TO SPEAK AT THE EAST-WEST CENTER.

THE MAUL GOP IS HAVING A PRECINCT LUAU ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6-NOON AT THE KEANAE SCHOOL. AS SHOWN ON THE ENCLOSED MAP OF MAUI, KEANAE IS APPROXIMATELY SIX MILES FROM THE HANA AIRPORT.

THE KEANAE PRECINCT CONSISTS MOSTLY OF HAWAIIANS WHO ALWAYS HAVE BEEN OUR MOST ACTIVE SUPPORTERS DURING THE PAST TWENTY YEARS OF A DEMOCRAT UNION CONTROLLED STATE.



WE ARE HAVING THIS LUAU TO SHOW THEM THAT WE CARE AND THAT THEIR YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE DID NOT GO UN-NOTICED.

AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, YOUR SCHEDULE PROB-ABLY WILL NOT PERMIT A BRIEF STOPOVER TO MEET THEM, HOWEVER, I DO HOPE THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER VISITING US.

> SINCERELY, MIKE DOWNING CHAIRMAN

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A. FORD TIBETO

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

January 26, 1976

Dear Clarence:

Nothing could please me more than to join the Friends of Clarence Mitchell in a special tribute honoring your many accomplishments and, most notably, your recent service at the United Nations.

I feel that the American people were fortunate to have a man of your proven ability devote his talents and energies to the task of representing them in this world body. Your tenure reflected the same admirable qualities you have always brought to the many positions of trust you have held. It was a credit to my Administration and to our country.

Men and women everywhere have been enriched by your decision to work for the same high standards of fairness and justice in international affairs which you have always espoused and defended here at home.

Betty joins me in sending you our warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

Herald R. Find

The Honorable Clarence M. Mitchell, Jr.

1324 Druid Hill Avenue

Baltimore, Maryland 21217

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Mr. Robert W. Miller
President
Freedoms Foundation
Valley Forge, Pennsylvania 19481

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As Honorary Chairman of the Freedoms Foundation, I have always admired its articulate championship of responsible citizenship and love of country.

I was delighted to learn of your decision to present your American

Friendship Medal -- the Foundation's highest tribute to a foreigner -- to

Alexander Solzhenitsyn. I welcome the opportunity of this ceremony to

congratulate the eight principal recipients of your major awards:

Alexander Solzhenitsyn, Randy Steffen, Reverend Donald Mowery,

Sister Mary Virginia Geiger, Caroline Myers, LeRoy Foster, Vickie

Jones and Mary Mullen all merit the tribute you pay them on this occasion.

In honoring these deserving individuals, you further enhance the Foundation's outstanding reputation for the support and encouragement of ideals and values that are cherished by all Americans. I commend the inspiring example set by all your honored guests, and I join you in saluting their accomplishments.

GERALD R. FORD

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August 6, 1976

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I command the American Bar Association for its continuing efforts to improve the standards and advance the competence of the legal community. These efforts serve well to build public trust in the legal profession and thereby strengthen the common faith in our system of law and justice.

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Statement sent to Phil Buchen who will handcarry

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

August 7, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. HARTMANN'S OFFICE

FROM: EVA DAUGHTREY

As we discussed, Mr. Buchen has O.K.'d the changes made by Mr. Hartmann and would appreciate it if this could be finalized and signed by the autopen.

He will be going to Atlanta tomorrow for the ABA meeting and will plan to take the President's message with him to read, so it would be appreciated if we could have the message returned to us as soon as possible.

Thanks so much.

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Dated August , 1976 at the White House Washington, D. C.

THE WHITE HOUSE

August 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

BOB HARTMANN

FROM:

PHIL BUCHEN

Attached is a draft I have prepared of a Presidential statement to be read by me before all the participants in the 1976 American Bar Association meeting on the morning of August 9, 1976, in Atlanta, Georgia. The President has declined the invitation to address the meeting, and this statement is to be read by me in lieu of his appearance. Candidate Carter will be appearing later in the week to give an address. The statement is drafted with the thought that the President should closely identify himself with the American Bar Association as a lawyer and as a member. This is an identification that Carter cannot make.

Please let me have your comments promptly. If this statement should be cleared with the President, I would appreciate your doing so.

I am leaving for Atlanta on Sunday morning, August 8, and would like to wrap this up and get the President's signature applied before he leaves for Camp David on Saturday.

Attachment

To you -- Judge Walsh, fellow members of the American Bar Association, and distinguished guests -- I send warmest greetings and best wishes on the occasion of this 1976 Annual Meeting.

Share with one another as lawyers. The interests we have in common come from the legal studies we have all pursued and from the exclusive authority we have been given to counsel people on legal matters and to represent litigants before the courts. On these grounds we distinguish our profession from all other callings and refer to other people as "laypersons".

Yet, the right to be a member of our profession carries with it, as the ABA has long insisted, the duty to build excellence and to uphold honor within our ranks. Therefore, we must not let pride in our profession verge upon vanity and cause us to overlook the obligations we have for excellence and honor in the practice of law.

Moreover, our professional pride needs always to be tempered by awareness that the function of the law in our nation depends not alone on the devotion and skills

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of lawyers but on the strength and breadth of belief in the law. The belief I refer to is a faith, not just of lawyers but of people at large. It is the faith the people must have in the law, as the keeper of domestic tranquility, the guardian of their personal liberties, and the defender of equal justice for all.

Although the Declaration of Independence has already been given wide attention during this Bicentennial year, not enough attention has been given to features of this historic document that demonstrate how the founders of our nation felt deeply the need for a system of law in which people could have faith. That system of law was not, however, to be a departure from the best legal traditions of the nation from which the American colonists were revolting. (The framers of the Declaration, despite their stinging repudiation of the British Crown, Wid not condemn the English common law or the laws which were in effect to govern the affairs of the thirteen American colonies. Rather, they condemned the failures and weaknesses of the Crown-appointed judges in America to administer the common law, and the refusal of King George III to let legislators and governors of the colonies adopt additional laws "wholesome and necessary for the public good." # Once these imperial obstacles to the administration of justice and to the orderly process of law-making were

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Thus, It is most appropriate for the ABA to have chosen "Common Faith and Common Law" as the theme for this meeting. The theme speaks of our faith in the Anglo-American system of law and justice which we members of the American Bar have long shared with our British counterparts. In addition, I hope and urge that the theme of this meeting may alert each of us anew to the importance of inspiring within our nation a greater faith in the law To the same purpose, I commend the among all people. American Bar Association for its continuing efforts to improve the standards and advance the competence of the legal community. These efforts serve well to build public trust in our profession but, what is more important, they thereby help to strengthen and extend the common faith in our system of law and justice.

Dated August __, 1976
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Washington, D. C.

TELEGRAM

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The Mhite House Washington

MAILGRAM

SEPTEMBER 7, 1976

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San Diego Area Participants in Olympic Competition % Mrs. Audrey "Mickey" Tyler, Chairperson San Diego Olympic Reception Committee P. O. Box 14223 San Diego, California 92114

WARMEST GREETINGS TO THE SAN DIEGO AREA OLYMPIC PARTICIPANTS BEING HONORED ON THIS OCCASION.

ALL OF YOU HAVE EARNED THE RESPECT AND ADMIRATION OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND THE SAN DIEGO AREA CAN BE ESPECIALLY PROUD OF YOUR INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES.

IN COMPETITION YOU EXEMPLIFIED THE BEST IN DEDICATION, PERSONAL CHARACTER AND ATHLETIC ABILITY. YOU GAVE OUR NATION MORE THAN MEDALS; YOU GAVE IT HONOR AND I AM GRATEFUL TO YOU AND YOUR TEAMMATES ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND MRS. TYLER AND ALL OF THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN UNSELFISHLY OF THEIR TIME AND ENERGY TO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO OUR U. S. ATHLETES.

YOU HAVE MY VERY BEST WISHES IN THE YEARS AHEAD.

GERALD R. FORD

GRF:MJ:EH:GA:ms

cc: R.T. Hartmann/M. Johnson/R. Nessen/J. Connor/D. Downton

cc: Mr. Leon W. Parma, P. O. Box 2262, LaJolla, California

LEON W. PARMA
POST OFFICE BOX 2262
LA JOLLA, GALIFORNIA

August 27, 1976

Mr. Robert T. Hartmann Counselor to the President The White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Bob:

Enclosed is a letter I have received from San Diego State University relative to a program to be held September 12, 1976, at which time all the Olympic participants from San Diego County will be honored.

Micky Tyler, who is the Chairman of this event, has probably been the most responsible woman in the United States in creating interest and developing women athletes for Olympic competition. If I recall, she was a commentator of sorts at the Montreal Olympics. Without question, she is recognized as one of the leaders of the black community, and in particular, black athletes.

An appropriate message from the President would make this meeting even more significant, I know.

With warm regard.

Leon W. Parma

Sincerely,



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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

September 4, 1976

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES

Having been privileged to be President of the United States during our Bicentennial year, I greet Americans about to celebrate our tricentennial with some trepidation. The past speaks to the present best when it is not doing so deliberately.

From the rapid pace of science and technology in my own lifetime, in which we went from wood and canvas airplanes to space vehicles that landed man on the moon, and from crystal radio receivers to worldwide color television relayed by earth satellite, I shall not attempt to imagine the material progress Americans will have made in the next 100 years.

I enclose a booklet of my Bicentennial messages for 1976, the first of which tells some of the goals I envision for the American adventure as we continue reaching for the unknown in our Third Century of independence. I am sure you will have far surpassed all of them.

Recently it was my duty to open an iron safe, which was sealed for 100 years in the United States Capitol. The contents of this centennial "time capsule" were well-preserved and interesting, but so are things found in archeological excavations that are thousands of years old. What was important about this century-old communication was that Americans of 1876 had

absolutely no doubt that an American President in 1976, under the Constitution of a free government, would be here in Washington to receive their message.

Americans of today continue that firm conviction. There is no safe or capsule big enough to contain the hopes, the energies, the abilities of the American people. The message we send to you is our faith that freedom will remain your fixed star in the 2075th year of our Lord and of the United States of America, the 300th.

Gerald R. Ford

ELLIOTT A Roland L.

(copy also in General Correspondence

September 24, 1976

Dear Roland:

Counsellor Hartmann has told me that your friends and colleagues have arranged a party in your honor and I want to add my expression of friendship and appreciation, even though I cannot be there in person.

First, let me express my personal appreciation for your devoted service as Editor of Presidential Correspondence. Your efforts have contributed daily and directly to my goal of a more responsive and open Administration. I know how diligently and tirelessly you and the Correspondence staff have worked to meet the heavy demands of very large volumes of mail.

You have served our Country and the Presidency with great distinction and I am deeply grateful.

Warm personal regards,

Mr. Roland L. Elliott Editor of Presidential Correspondence Room 94 Old Executive Office Building Washington, D. C.

RTH: GAA: nm

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

This letter not sent. Mr. Hartmann learned that Mr. Nessen's office had gone ahead and sent one.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Dec. 1, 1976

Mr. Hartmann:

Attached is the Presidential letter prepared by Anne Higgins in final form rather than draft.

If you want to make any changes I can retype it.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

Nov. 30 - 12:25 p.m.

Mr. Hartmann:

Connie Gerrard in Ron Nessen's office called to see if we had sent a Presidential letter or flowers to Mrs. Eddie Folliard, the widow of Mr. Folliard, a newspaperman for the Washington Post, who died over the weekend.

I told her I could check and get back to her. (2100)

I asked Mr. Smith if you had mentioned to him that you had been asked to prepare a letter to Mrs. Folliard and he said, "no."

I have also check with Gwen (who said this would be the kind of thing handled by Anne Higgins).

I also checked with Mildred and she said she had not been asked to send flowers or a letter -- in fact she did not know Mr. Folliard or that he has passed away.

Dorothy said the President had not asked her to send a letter.

Anne Higgins is having a letter drafted and will send it over to us for clearance. (2109)

Neta

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 1, 1976

Dear Mrs. Folliard:

Mrs. Ford and I were deeply saddened to learn of the death of your husband. Please be assured that you are very much in our thoughts and prayers at this time.

Throughout his more than half a century as a journalist, Ed Folliard earned the respect and admiration of both his colleagues and his readers. His high standards of professionalism and fairness were evident in every story that he wrote. The many honors he received for his work are lasting tributes to his long and distinguished career.

May the pride you and your family share in his many accomplishments serve to console and comfort you in your great loss. You and your family have our deepest sympathy.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Edward T. Folliard 3200 44th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20016