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House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

C. W. Bill Young
5th District, Florida

August 13, 1974

Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to offer my suggestion as to one you might consider nominating to succeed you as Vice President of the United States.

I am pleased to voice my support of GEORGE BUSH. I am confident that, with your leadership and direction, his performance as Vice President would be complementary to your Administration and pleasing to the people of our country.

With best wishes and warm, personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Young".

C. W. Bill Young,
Member of Congress

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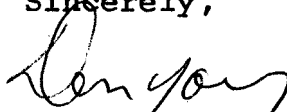
August 12, 1974

Honorable Gerald Ford
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

At your request, conveyed to me through the Minority Leader John Rhodes, I respectfully urge that George Bush be favorably considered for the office of Vice President.

Sincerely,



DON YOUNG
Congressman for all Alaska

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

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Honorable Gerald Ford
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

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ED YOUNG
SIXTH DISTRICT
SOUTH CAROLINA

August 12, 1974

Dear Mr. President:

My three nominations for Vice President in order of preference are:

Senator Strom Thurmond
Senator Barry Goldwater
Governor Ronald Reagan

Sincerely,

A large, stylized handwritten signature of Ed Young, written in black ink, positioned over the typed name.

ED YOUNG

Honorable Gerald R. Ford
President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

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Honorable John J. Rhodes, M. C.
Minority Leader
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

SAMUEL H. YOUNG
TENTH DISTRICT
ILLINOIS

August 13, 1974

Dear Mister President:

John Rhodes has advised me that you would like the views of the House members on the selection of a Vice President.

I am pleased to make recommendations, although I am certain that whomever you choose would be entirely satisfactory to me.

The primary and principal criteria for the selection of a Vice President is a person who would have the abilities and qualifications to carry on as President in the event that he were required to do so. In addition, he should be a person who is compatible with you, since a good relationship between the President and the Vice President is highly desirable.

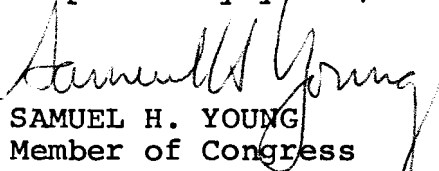
In addition, there are other factors that ought to be considered. The approval of the Vice President-Designate by the Congress should be free of a lot of rancorous bickering. It would be good to have a Vice President from a different section of the country than the Midwest. It would be helpful to select a Vice President who would appeal to a broad segment of the American people. It would also be desirable to have a Vice President who has previously held public office and has a known record of achievement.

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It would also seem desirable that before you make your selection, you have a full discussion with such person so that his understanding of his role is consistent with your ideas on this subject.

Again, I reiterate that I am certain I would be fully satisfied with whomever you would select. On balance, it seems to me that Governor Rockefeller would appear to have about all of the qualities that I mentioned above, and I would therefore suggest his name to you for consideration.

Respectfully yours,


SAMUEL H. YOUNG
Member of Congress

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford
President of the United States
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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

12 August 1974

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

In response to your request for suggestions as to your forthcoming nominee for the position of Vice President of the United States, I would respectfully submit the following names:

George Bush

Ronald Reagan

Barry Goldwater

I appreciate the opportunity of submitting these names for your consideration.

Respectfully,



ROGER H. ZION, M.C.
Indiana's 8th District

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August 12, 1974

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

For many reasons my first choice for Vice President is Senator Baker of Tennessee.

Because pro-life and abortion will be a major issue in the next few years, I would advise against Governor Rockefeller of New York.

With kind personal regards, I remain

Sincerely,

John
John M. Zwach
Member of Congress

2nd Choice - Richardson

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