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PAUL J. FANNIN
ARIZONA

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

August 13, 1974

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

As suggested in the letter from Hugh Scott, I am submitting my recommendations for Vice President.

My first choice for Vice President is my esteemed colleague, our former presidential candidate, Barry Goldwater. Barry is a national leader with the confidence of the American people. He could be of immediate assistance in both domestic and foreign affairs.

My second choice is Governor Nelson Rockefeller, a highly respected leader who could work effectively with the Governors, Mayors and others on domestic policies and would be a tower of strength on assistance in international affairs.

My third choice is George Bush, another leader who has performed commendably as former Congressman and Ambassador to the United Nations and superbly as Chairman of the Republican party.

Cordially,



Paul Fannin
United States Senator

United States Senate

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The President
The White House
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 13, 1974

The President
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Dear Mr. President:

I am writing most respectfully to recommend the nomination of former Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller to be Vice President.

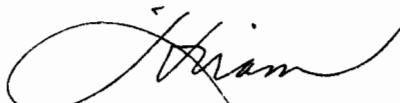
He has had wide experience in public office, was a good administrator and executive in New York State, and has had considerable seasoning on the campaign trail. He has shown ability to work with people of divergent philosophies and different ethnic backgrounds in his tenure as Governor of New York State.

Moreover, he can reach important persons in the financial and business world because of his charitable trusts. Such contacts would be most helpful to you as you endeavor to combat inflation, a problem that most agree cannot be solved overnight.

I believe Nelson Rockefeller would bring to your Administration solid attributes in the fields of greatest urgency now and in the foreseeable future.

With warm best wishes and aloha, I am

Sincerely,

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Hiram L. Fong

HLF:rtb

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 13, 1974

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

Dear Mr. President:

My nomination for Vice President is Governor Nelson Rockefeller and I have no second or third choice.

No man in the Republican party has had longer, nor more diversified experience as a public administrator than Governor Rockefeller.

I doubt if any American has wider knowledge of American or world leaders both in and out of government. He is well known and respected in Latin America, which has been long neglected by successive administrations and is badly in need of cultivation and fence mending.

It occurs to me that Governor Rockefeller would lend good balance to your administration and the team of Ford and Rockefeller for he would be acceptable to liberals both within the Republican and Democratic party. As you yourself have put it, we need to work together as a team.

I'm well aware that some of the conservative elements of the Republican party are not enthusiastic about Governor Rockefeller, but I think that opposition would be a momentary flurry which would soon pass.

Incidentally, I thought that your address to the Joint Session of Congress last night was superb. It said just the right things. Good luck to you and God bless you.

Sincerely,



Edward J. Gurney
United States Senator

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Edward J. Gurney
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The White House
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 13, 1974

Dear Mr. President:

May I submit for your
consideration for the Vice Presidency
the following names?

Nelson Rockefeller
Barry Goldwater
Ronald Reagan

Yours sincerely,
Clifford P. Hansen

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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The President
The White House

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 12, 1974

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

Dear Mr. President:

Senator Scott has conveyed your thoughtful invitation that Senators should submit their recommendations to you concerning the selection of a Vice President.

While I want you to have the person most acceptable to you, and who would in your own good judgment best serve the sound principles of our country at this difficult time, I would hope that you may consider these names, along with others:

1. Senator Goldwater
2. Senator Harry F. Byrd, Jr.
3. Governor Reagan
4. Senator Buckley
5. George Bush

Respectfully,

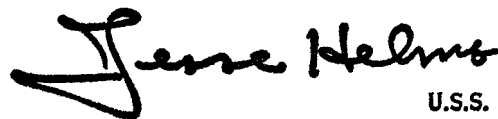
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JESSE HELMS:n

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jesse Helms". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

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



ROMAN L. HRUSKA
UNITED STATES SENATE

August 13, 1974

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

Complying with your request for suggestions for the nomination of Vice President, I submit in alphabetical order:

Senator Howard Baker
Mr. George Bush
Senator Barry Goldwater
Former Governor Nelson Rockefeller

This listing in no way suggests that others would not be fully acceptable and well able to fulfill the high duties of Vice President.

However, you know them all intimately as to qualifications, achievements and suitability. I have complete confidence in the wisdom of your choice.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Roman Hruska".

Roman L. Hruska
United States Senator
Nebraska

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ROMAN L. HRUSKA
UNITED STATES SENATE

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM

August 13, 1974

To:

The President
~~Senator Hugh Scott~~

From: Senator Jacob K. Javits

Re: Selections for Vice President

1. Nelson A. Rockefeller - great experience in government, skilled in organizing to develop new initiatives on major problems, able to attract excellent personnel to government, acceptable to a broad spectrum of party and has real size and highest character.
2. Senator Charles Percy - indefatigable organizer and worker, inspires creative spirit in others, extensive business experience at highest management level and enjoys confidence of business community; notably progressive social and constitutional ideas, high ethical concepts and great youth appeal.
3. Elliot Richardson - experienced in government having distinguished service as Under Secretary of State, Secretary of HEW and Attorney General. Highly regarded in the country as a man of tremendous intellect and integrity. Handled the difficult matter of the Agnew prosecution with delicacy and in the best interest of the country. Would be an inspiration to our young people.

Javits

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 15, 1974

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I know that it is probably not my place to suggest to you a name of a person in your Party to be Vice President of the United States. I have read, however, that you are considering Governor Daniel J. Evans from my State and I just wanted you to know that many Washington State Democrats, including myself, hold Governor Evans in the highest esteem. Dan Evans has been a progressive Governor and one who has done much to present the viewpoint of the States to both the Congress and to the Executive Branch in his role as Chairman of the National Governors' Conference.

I also believe that Governor Evans has a reputation for honesty and straightforwardness which would make certain his confirmation by both the House and Senate. I understand that you will be making this decision in the not-too-distant future and wanted you to know of my high personal regard for Governor Evans.

Respectfully,



WARREN G. MAGNUSON, U.S.S.

WGM/ndc

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 13, 1974

The President
Washington, D. C.


Dear Mr. President:

The following three names are my suggestions, in order of preference, for your selection of Vice President:

Barry Goldwater
George Bush
William Ruckelshaus

Recognizing that this listing will only be that, I will not extend my arguments at this time, but will do so by separate letter.

Respectfully,


James A. McClure
James A. McClure
United States Senator

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United States Senate

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James A. McClure
U.S.S.

Hon. Gerald R. Ford
The White House
Washington, D. C.



OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

August 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: JACK MARSH
FROM: SPOFFORD CANFIELD *sc*
SUBJECT: LETTERS FROM SENATOR McCLURE
AND CONGRESSMEN BARBER CONABLE
AND LARRY WILLIAMS

The attached letters, though carrying different dates, were all received in my office on Friday.

I would assume that the McClure letter will be added to the ones requested by the President.

Attachments

HENRY M. JACKSON, WASH., CHAIRMAN
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

August 8, 1974

Honorable Gerald R. Ford
The Vice President
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Vice President:

It is with no great pleasure that I address you for the last time as Mr. Vice President, nor is it unmixed with conflicting emotions. Without going into all the reasons why it happened nor all its concerns and all its effects, may I congratulate you and wish you every success. I pledge to you my constructive support in the difficult and trying tasks that lie ahead.

In this spirit I wish to comment on statements which have appeared in the press concerning your possible selection of a Vice President. It may seem precipitant to mention it at this time, but I think it important to express the concern that many of us have. I have had conversations with several Members of the Senate and the House, as well as people outside the Congress, and the following names are suggested as those who might find favor as possible selections for Vice President:

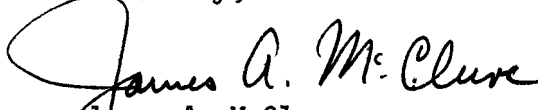
Senator Barry Goldwater
Governor Ronald Reagan
Senator James Buckley
Senator Bill Brock
Senator Howard Baker
Senator Dewey Bartlett
Governor Tom Meskill
Former Senator John Williams
Former Governor Winfield Dunn
Secretary William Simon
Senator Hugh Scott
Congressman Al Quie
Senator Marlow Cook

One rather intriguing thought has occurred to me if you wish to reach a little farther afield, and that is to consult with the gentlelady from Oregon, Mrs. Green. If she can see fit to change her Party registration, her selection would throw consternation into the ranks of the opposition and would find much favor with myself and many of my friends.

Honorable Gerald R. Ford
August 8, 1974
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I know that you are being innundated with all kinds of advice, much of it well intentioned, much of it seeking favor. I sympathize with the monumental dimensions of your task. I don't wish to add to your burdens in any way but thought it might be helpful to express one viewpoint on one of the most important early decisions.

Sincerely,


James A. McClure
United States Senator

McC:b

BOB PACKWOOD
OREGON



United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 13, 1974

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

My recommendations for Vice President
are:

1. Senator Howard Baker
2. Governor Robert Ray of Iowa
3. Governor William Milliken of Michigan

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob".

Bob Packwood

BP:jw

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

Bob Packwood

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The President
The White House
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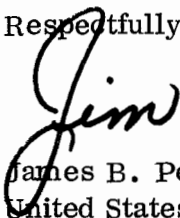
Dear Mr. President:

The names on the attached list are submitted pursuant to a request of the Minority Leader, Hugh Scott.

I can understand the reasons which call for the broadest possible participation in your selection. However, I am quite aware that under the Constitutional provisions the selection is yours and it is the role of the Congress to ratify.

The most important word that I would send you at this time is to express my great confidence in you as President and to assure you that I shall support whomever you may select.

Respectfully,


James B. Pearson
United States Senator

*You're off to a great start!
I'm very proud of you - and
pledge my support.*

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR VICE PRESIDENT

George Bush - Because of his experience in the Congress; his very able performance as an Ambassador and because of his understanding of the Republican Party.

William Scranton - Because of his experience in Government both as a Governor and as a Congressman and his qualifications as a businessman.

Senator Edward Brooke - Because of his experience as an Attorney General; his experience as a Senator and his national appeal to the electorate.

Senator Howard Baker - Because of his qualifications as an able Senator, an articulate spokesman and strong national following.

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James B. Pearson
U.S.S.

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON

Aug 13, 1974

Dear Mr President:-

In response to your kind
request for Vice Presidential
suggestions I submit three
names for your consideration:-

Gov. Scrantom - one of the
most able and dedicated public
servants in America, highly
qualified to be President.

Arch. Rumsfeld - possessing
a rare blend of political, legislative,
administrative and diplomatic
experience at a young age. A
man of the future.



Gov. Nelson Rockefeller - whom
remarkable judgment is
so well known to you.

The only problem with the
list from which you will make
your selection is that it
contains so many people of
distinction and ability!

I pledge you my personal
support in making the Ford
Administration a truly
great one that can and will
bring this nation together
in our common goals.
Sincerely & with warm
regards,

Hubert H. H. Ford



UNITED STATES SENATE
WASHINGTON

The President

W. B. Perry