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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 21, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

THRU:

MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF *M.B.*

FROM:

VERN LOEN *VL*

SUBJECT:

SBA Authorization Bill

(8.3331)

Rep. Bill Stanton, R-Ohio, a member of the Select Committee on Small Business, called to recommend the President sign this bill, but couple with it a statement that he has no intention of requesting \$400 million authorization for direct loans.

On page 7 of the committee report, SBA was directed to seek a supplemental appropriation for this purpose.

Stanton believes there are enough good things in the bill, such as the change in the interest rate from 5 1/2% to the current cost of money plus a service fee, that it would be unwise to veto the bill. In the current anti-inflationary climate, he feels the President could succeed in deferring the supplemental appropriation request and get away with a lower amount than \$400 million.

There is a strong suspicion that Stanton's call was sparked by SBA.

cc: T. Korologos  
G. Ainsworth  
P. O'Donnell  
K. Cole  
W. Scott



October 16, 1975

Dear Mr. Glauder:

Thank you for your letter of October 13, in which you make a suggestion that a representative of small business be appointed to the White House Staff.

I have forwarded your letter for consideration by the proper staff and am sure that you will be hearing from them in the near future.

With kind regards.

Sincerely,

Thomas G. Loeffler  
Special Assistant  
for Legislative Affairs

Mr. Paul Glauder  
President  
Automotive Service Councils  
of Ohio, Inc.  
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Columbus, Ohio 43215

bcc: Bill Baroody w/incoming letter

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The White House  
Washington, D.C.

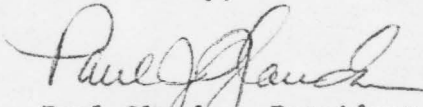
Dear Mr. Loeffler:

On behalf of the members of Automotive Service Councils of Ohio, I would like to suggest that a representative of small business be appointed to the White House Staff.

ASC of Ohio is a trade association whose members consist of automotive repair shops. These types of small businesses have long been the backbone of our country and we sincerely believe that their voice must be heard in Washington if they are to remain a part of our free enterprise system.

Our association and its members stand ready to assist you in any way possible.

Yours truly,

  
Paul Glander, President  
ASC of Ohio, Inc.

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FEB 13 1975

Honorable Robert Krueger  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Krueger:

This is in further response to your letter of January 31, 1975, to the President, regarding SBA's nonphysical disaster loan program.

We certainly are aware of the demand, by businesses of all sizes, for additional financing to deal with current economic problems. The demand for SBA's nonphysical disaster loans, particularly those related to energy shortages, has substantially exceeded the original budget estimates.

In December, the OMB apportioned \$60 million for SBA's nonphysical disaster loans. This was based on estimates by SBA of the demand for the program at that time. The apportionment also provided \$140 million for physical disaster loans, out of the \$200 million budgeted for the total SBA disaster loan program in 1975. SBA has already used nearly \$80 million for physical disaster loans, and continues to estimate that approximately \$140 million will be required for physical disaster loans in 1975. This means that increased funding for the nonphysical disaster loans requires an increase in the total SBA budget for 1975.

I am happy to inform you that we have now worked out an arrangement with SBA to increase the total disaster loan budget by \$50 million. This additional \$50 million will be available for nonphysical disaster loans in 1975. With the \$5 million remaining available from the initial \$60 million, this will provide \$55 million for the last five months of 1975. This is equal to the amount used during the first seven months of the year.

SBA will do its best to allocate these funds to the most urgent needs.

I hope this information will be helpful to you.

Best regards,

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Mr. Scott  
Mr. Bray (2)  
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Return to Mr. Hystad

Sincerely,

(signed) Robert F. Bonitati

Robert F. Bonitati  
Assistant to the Director  
for Congressional Relations



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CONGRESSIONAL MAIL

TO *Mr. Krug*  
Prepare reply to

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February 3, 1975

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Dear Mr. Krug:

Thank you for your January 31 letter to the President urging that funding restrictions for the Small Business Administration's "non-physical disaster" loan program be removed.

You may be assured your letter will be called to the President's attention at the earliest opportunity. In addition, it will be shared with his economic program advisors. I am certain your recommendations will be studied carefully.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

*Charles L. Loe*

*for* Vernon C. Loe  
Deputy Assistant  
to the President

The Honorable Robert Krugger  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

~~cc:~~ w/incoming to Bob Bonitati, OMB, for further handling  
bcc: w/incoming to William Seidman - for your information

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, D.C. 20515

January 31, 1975

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


Dear Mr. President:

We are concerned about a recent decision by the Office of Management & Budget to limit funds for the Small Business Administration's "non-physical disaster" loan program. As you know, this program was designed to help small businesses comply with federal regulations and directives in such fields as energy conservation, environmental pollution and occupational safety. Without these loans, many businesses would have to close their doors and their employees be added to the unemployment rolls.

Inasmuch as this is a loan program, with the money to be repaid to the government, it would seem the better part of wisdom to keep these businesses open and help them weather the economic storm. In fact, that was the intent of programs such as the Emergency Energy Loan program which Congress enacted and you signed last year. Unfortunately, OMB has placed an arbitrary limit on the program of \$60 million for FY 75, a limit which in effect ends the program for the rest of this year.

We urge you to reconsider this decision and the impact it will have on the business climate and unemployment rolls of our nation. The dollars we invest in this program are not lost, and they will help sustain the economy in a time of crisis.

Respectfully,

  
ROBERT KRUEGER  
Member of Congress

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FEB 13 1975

Honorable Robert J. Lagomarsino  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Lagomarsino:

This is in further response to your letter of January 30, 1975, to the President, regarding SBA's nonphysical disaster loan program.

We certainly are aware of the demand, by businesses of all sizes, for additional financing to deal with current economic problems. The demand for SBA's nonphysical disaster loans, particularly those related to energy shortages, has substantially exceeded the original budget estimates.

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CONGRESSIONAL MAIL

TO: *Mr. Bray*

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February 3, 1975

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your January 30 letter to the President, on behalf of yourself and forty-three of your colleagues in the House, urging that funding restrictions for the Small Business Administration's "non-physical disaster" loan program be removed.

You may be assured your letter will be called to the President's attention at the earliest opportunity. In addition, it will be shared with his economic program advisers. I am certain your recommendations will be studied carefully.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

*Charles Leggett, Jr.*

*for* Vernon C. Loen  
Deputy Assistant  
to the President

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House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

January 30, 1975

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The President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

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Sincerely,

*Bob Lagomarsino*  
ROBERT J. LAGOMARSINO  
Member of Congress

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Dante B. Fascell

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The Honorable Gerald R. Ford

January 30, 1975

SBA Non-Physical Disaster Loans

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Gerry E. Studds

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