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Wednesday 3/5/75

4:20 Last October you concurred in the recommendation that the White House Security Fund be dissolved and the money transferred to Heroes Incorporated.

Attached is the letter to IRS which requires your signature.

(Attached also is the background if you wish to look at it again.)



UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE
EXECUTIVE PROTECTIVE SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20226

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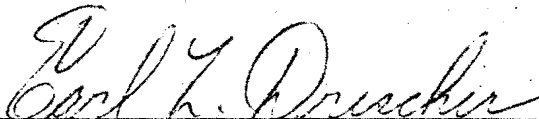
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11601 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19155

Dear Sirs:

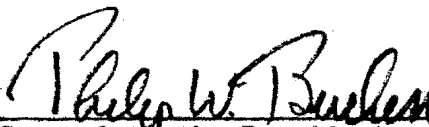
We, the undersigned committee members of the White House Security Fund, have unanimously agreed to terminate this Fund, as of March 31, 1975; and that the distribution of the net assets, amounting to \$2,821.41, will be presented to Heroes, Inc., 722 Tenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001, a non-profit organization incorporated in the District of Columbia under Charitable Registration Certificate 6-07-398, on




Director, U.S. Secret Service



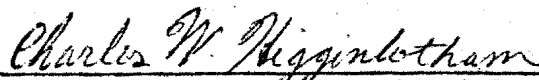
Chief, Executive Protective Service



Counsel to the President



Assistant Director, Protective Forces



Deputy Chief, Administration & Services
Division - Executive Protective Service

October 29, 1974

**FOR: H. Stuart Knight
Director, Secret Service**

FROM: Phillip W. Buchen

SUBJECT: White House Security Fund

I have received a copy of a memorandum from Chief Drescher, Executive Protective Service, to Clinton Hill, Assistant Director Protective Forces, dated October 9, 1974, in which it is requested that necessary steps be taken to dissolve the White House Security Fund. I am also in receipt of a memorandum from Mr. Hill to me, as Counsel, dated October 21, 1974, pointing out that under Section IX of the By-Laws of the White House Security Fund, the Counsel to the President must agree to the dissolution of this Fund.

As a member of the committee, referred to in Section IX of the By-Laws of the White House Security Fund, this is to inform you that I agree and concur in the decision to dissolve the Fund and transfer any remaining moneys, after the payment of any debts, to Heroes Incorporated.

PWB:JF:em



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20223

October 21, 1974

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

TO : Mr. Philip W. Buchen
Counsel to the President
The White House

FROM : Mr. Clinton J. Hill
Assistant Director
Protective Forces

SUBJECT : White House Security Fund

Attached is a memorandum from the Chief of the Executive Protective Service recommending that the White House Security Fund be dissolved with an explanation of the aforementioned fund, and that the monies contained therein be turned over to Heroes, Inc., for their use.

As a member of the committee of the White House Security Fund and in accordance with Section IX of the By-Laws of the "Fund", your affirmation or denial as you deem fit is needed in order to fully satisfy the interest of the By-Laws.

May I point out that the remaining members of the committee have executed their options in the affirmative regarding this matter. Thus it would be appreciated if a speedy resolution concerning this proposal could be elicited from you in order to expedite the transfer of said funds to Heroes Incorporated.


Clinton J. Hill

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

EXECUTIVE PROTECTIVE SERVICE 002.0

TO : Clinton J. Hill, Assistant Director
Protective Forces

DATE: October 3, 1974

FROM : Earl L. Drescher, Chief
Executive Protective Service

SUBJECT: White House Security Fund

It is requested that the necessary steps be taken to dissolve the White House Security Fund.

This fund was originally authorized by the President on December 19, 1950, to receive donations from the public for the purpose of providing benefits to the families of White House Police and Secret Service Agents killed in the line of duty, etc. Since the fund began there has been no activity.

The fund at the present time consists of eighteen (18) \$100 Denomination U. S. Savings Bonds with a current redeemable value of over \$2,100 and an account with the White House Federal Credit Union which has a balance of \$616.14.

Section IX of the By-Laws of the "Fund" states:

"In the event of the dissolution of this Fund any remaining assets, after payment of proper expenses of the Fund, will be distributed as determined by the Committee for exclusively charitable purposes."

Members of the Committee are:

- 1. Director of the Secret Service - Chairman
- Chief, EPS - Secretary Treasurer
- The Counsel to the President
- Assistant Director (PF) USSS
- Deputy Chief, Administration & Services Division - EPS

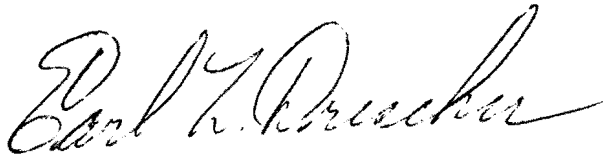
Committee members agree to the proposal to dissolve this fund, the steps will be taken to liquidate the assets and send the proceeds of the entire amount to Heroes, Inc., in Washington, D. C.

Heroes, Inc., is an organization whose sole purpose is to assist families of Police and Firemen who have been killed in the line of duty. Each year each family receives a check for \$1,000 and at Christmas time each year each

child receives a check for \$100. When the child graduates from high school, Heroes, Inc., is there to assist them financially to complete college or technical school. They also will assist the widow by paying the tuition costs for her to obtain new skills for a job.

During 1973, Heroes, Inc., assisted the family of a Secret Service Agent who was killed in the line of duty. I believe that the other members of the committee will agree that there is no better organization than Heroes, Inc., to assist the families in the manner described.

Attached is a copy of the By-Laws of the White House Security Fund.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Earl L. Drescher". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Earl L. Drescher
Chief
Executive Protective Service

Attachment

April 9, 1973

THE WHITE HOUSE SECURITY FUND

AS AMENDED

Whereas, the President on December 19, 1950 authorized the undersigned to establish and administer a fund for purposes hereinafter stated, and, in pursuance thereof has authorized the transfer and delivery to the undersigned of donations which have been received for such purposes:

I.

There is hereby established a "White House Security Fund", hereinafter referred to as the "fund".

II.

"The purpose of the Fund is exclusively charitable including benefits for Executive Protective Service members and Presidential Detail Secret Service employees, and for their families, (a) when such members or employees are injured, wounded, or killed in the line of duty, or (b) other circumstances found by the Committee hereinafter established to be particularly meritorious in nature. "Member" and "employee" to include retired members and employees."

III.

A committee of five members, hereinafter referred to as the "Committee", shall hold, invest, reinvest, and expend the principal of and income from the fund as it shall determine to carry out the purpose of the fund. The Committee shall consist of:

- (a) The Director of the Secret Service, who shall act as
Chairman,

- (b) The Chief of the Executive Protective Service, who shall act as Secretary-Treasurer,
- (c) The Counsel to the President,
- (d) The Assistant Director - Protective Forces, of the Secret Service, and
- (e) The Deputy Chief - Administration and Services Division, of the Executive Protective Service.

Their successors in the offices designated shall be their successors respectively upon the Committee and shall have all of the powers of the original members.

IV.

"The Committee may accept and hold gifts and bequests of money and other property for the purposes of the Fund. Any such gift or bequest of money and the net proceeds from the liquidation of any other property so accepted by the Committee shall become part of the Fund and shall be available for expenditure by the Committee for the purposes of the Fund subject to any terms of the gift or bequest."

V.

The determinations and acts of the Committee shall be by a majority, but the Committee may authorize the Secretary-Treasurer to make investments, deposits, withdrawals of deposits, expenditures, and other acts, as approved by the Committee.

VI.

The Committee, through the Secretary-Treasurer, shall maintain accounts which shall at all times show money and property held by it

hereunder and accurately reflect transactions connected therewith. The Committee shall cause the accounts and records to be audited at least annually. The Committee shall select a person or persons not directly connected with the operations of the fund to perform the audit. A report on each audit shall be submitted in writing to the Committee.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a complete and accurate record of all meetings of the Committee.

VII.

In the event of the inability of any member of the Committee to perform his duties in connection with the fund, the following persons shall be the designated alternates hereunder:

- (a) The Assistant Director of the Secret Service,
- (b) The Deputy Chief - Administration and Services Division,
of the Executive Protective Service,
- (c) A member of the White House staff designated by the Counsel to the President,
- (d) The Deputy Assistant Director - Protective Forces (Executive Protective Service), and
- (e) The Deputy Chief - Operations Division, of the Executive Protective Service.

VIII.

The Committee shall not be entitled to receive compensation for their services hereunder, but individual members may be reimbursed with the approval of the Committee for necessary expenses actually incurred in connection with the operation of the fund.

The members of the Committee shall not be required to give any bond or any surety upon a bond for the faithful performance of their duties in connection with the fund.

IX.

"In the event of the dissolution of this Fund any remaining assets, after payment of proper expenses of the Fund, will be distributed as determined by the Committee for exclusively charitable purposes."

WHITE HOUSE SECURITY FUND

April 9, 1973

The White House Security Fund Committee is now composed of the following named officials:

Director, U.S. Secret Service

Chief, Executive Protective Service

Counsel to the President

Assistant Director, Protective Forces

Deputy Chief, Administration & Services
Division - Executive Protective Service