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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

February 17, 1975

T. EDWARD BRASWELL, JR., CHIEF COUNSEL AND STAFF DIRECTOR

The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

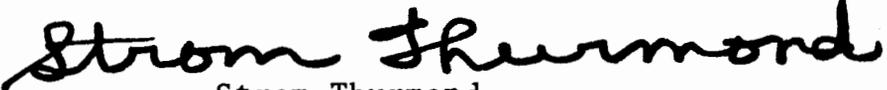
The purpose of this letter is to commend to your attention Mr. Ed Foreman, who is interested in the position of Under Secretary of Transportation. A summary biography on Mr. Foreman is attached for your ready reference.

While Ed Foreman is not from my State, I have known him for many years and he is an outstanding individual. He has been elected to the U.S. Congress as a Representative from the State of Texas and from the State of New Mexico, and is presently serving as the Chairman of the Southwest Federal Regional Council in the U.S. Department of Transportation. His summary biography shows that he has had wide experience in a number of areas that would qualify him for this very important position.

I recommend that Ed Foreman be given every consideration for appointment as the Under Secretary of Transportation. I know that he would fulfill well any trust reposed in him.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes,

Respectfully,


Strom Thurmond

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Enclosure

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SUMMARY BIOGRAPHY

ED FOREMAN
CHAIRMAN, SOUTHWEST FEDERAL REGIONAL COUNCIL
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECRETARY, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION

Regional Director for Region VI (Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas)--(DOT Agencies include FAA, FHWA, USCG, NHTSA, UMTA, & FRA with 8, 850 employees administering a budget of approximately \$995 million annually in the five-State Region)

Ed Foreman (40) is a native Southwesterner and a Civil Engineering graduate of New Mexico State University. He has worked as a field engineer, estimator, and construction supervisor on highways, airports and dams for Peter Kiewit Construction Company. In 1955-56, he was employed as a petroleum engineer with Phillips Petroleum Company. After active duty in the U. S. Navy as a construction and transportation engineer in the Sea Bees, he developed several successful business enterprises in Texas and New Mexico in construction, transportation and petroleum. He is a member and/or officer of many professional and social organizations and has been accorded numerous civic and professional honors, among which, he was named one of the Ten Outstanding Young Men in America by the U. S. Jaycees in 1964. In 1962, he was elected to the U. S. Congress as a Representative of Texas, and, in 1968, he was elected as a U. S. Congressman for New Mexico. He is the only person in this century to be elected to Congress from two different States. In the performance of his Regional transportation duties during the past three years, he has received several special professional awards and/or recognitions including the Secretary's Award for Outstanding Achievement, and has served as President of the Dallas-Fort Worth Federal Executive Board. In July, 1974, Ed Foreman was appointed by the President as Chairman of the Southwest Federal Regional Council, a sub-cabinet level organization comprised of the Regional Directors of HEW, HUD, EPA, OEO, LEAA, and the Labor, Interior and Agriculture Departments.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 18, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR: WILLIAM N. WALKER

FROM: JERRY H.  JONES

The attached letter was returned in the President's outbox with the following notation to you:

-- Info., etc.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld