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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 29, 1975

MR. PRESIDENT:

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*Mr. F
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Jerry H. Jones
Staff Secretary

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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN. 3!

255 Robert St.,
Baltimore, Md., 21217
c/o Mrs. E. Newton

March 19, 1975

President Gerald Ford, U.S.A.,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I learned about the Ides of March in High School when I was fifteen years of age. The events leading up to that great Roman's death always seemed so horrible to me. In contrast the 7th of March will always be a happy, red letter day for me and my family.

From the moment I entered The White House and that handsome, stalwart Marine Officer greeted me with "Mrs. Coleman, I have the honor of being your escort for the afternoon," it was like a dream come true. He never left my side and I felt so safe and sheltered in that wonderful crowd.

Mr. President, I sensed a spirit of good will and togetherness in that audience that I have never felt before in a public gathering. There were Republicans, Democrats, Independents, teachers, college professors, friends and associates, members of the press, etc., and all seemed so genuinely happy for Bill. Sitting there in that beautiful room I thought, if the spirit generated here could but permeate our Nation we would soon

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When I saw and heard Bill take the Oath of Office I know I was the happiest mother in the world.

I just had to thank you for the opportunity you have given my son to serve our country. I recall his saying to his Dad, "Some day I hope I can do something on a high level to serve the country that has been so good to me." I don't think that even he expected such an opportunity. Thank you for your part in making it possible. I think I know my son. He loves a challenge. I am sure he will serve faithfully and to the best of his abilities.

It was a pleasure to meet you. You are warm and easy to know.

Respectfully,

Laura M. Coleman

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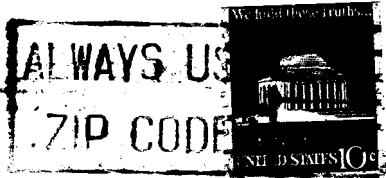
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