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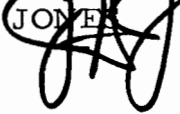
THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 25, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: DONALD RUMSFELD

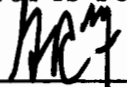
FROM: JERRY H. JONES 

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In the way of background, Amos Kendall (a philanthropist and Postmaster General in the Cabinets of Andrew Jackson and Martin Van Buren) was responsible for the founding of the Columbia Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and the Dumb and the Blind (now known as Gallaudet College). Mr. Kendall persuaded Congress to incorporate the School by an Act of February 16, 1857 and also persuaded President James Buchanan to become a patron. This custom has been carried forward ever since.

The diplomas will be signed by the autopen.

Your approval is requested to continue this practice.

APPROVE  _____

DISAPPROVE _____

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April 18, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: JERRY JONES
FROM: BOB LINDER
SUBJECT: Diplomas for the Graduating
Class of Gallaudet College

It is traditional for the President to sign the graduation certificates for the students of Gallaudet College and the College has requested that this courtesy be extended again this year. The list of graduates and the certificates are attached.

Attachments

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