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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 9, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JERRY JONES

FROM:

JIM CONNOR 

On Sunday, September 10 the President called Joe Waggoner to congratulate him on his 57th birthday. During this conversation the President indicated the following in connection with Congressman Waggoner's request that he attend the Louisiana State Fair in Shreveport, Louisiana which opens October 17:

"I would doubly try"

Please follow up with appropriate action.

cc: Don Rumsfeld

Jim -

Should we pass the  
note about the Fair ----  
to Jerry?

Trudy

yes.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1975

RECOMMENDED TELEPHONE CALL

TO: Representative Joe Waggoner, Jr. (D. -Louisiana)

WHEN: Sunday, September 7, 1975

PURPOSE: To congratulate him on his 57th birthday.

VIA: Max L. Friedersdorf *MLF*  
Vern Loen *VL*

RECOMMENDED  
BY: Thomas G. Loeffler *T.G.L.*

- BACKGROUND:
1. Joe Waggoner, Jr. was born on September 7, 1918 near Plain Dealing, Louisiana.
  2. In view of the pending Yom Kippur Congressional recess beginning September 12, Mr. Waggoner has decided not to return to Louisiana this weekend and, therefore, will be celebrating his birthday in Washington without his family.
  3. In addition to Mr. Waggoner's continuous support for your legislative programs, he has recently contacted the White House concerning two items which are of personal importance to him.
    - A. He has been interested in seeing that appropriate funds be made available for the construction of a proposed Louisiana toll road connecting Shreveport and New Orleans. Under President Nixon the Department of Transportation strongly indicated the Administration's desire to accommodate the State of Louisiana with proportionate Federal financing for this project.

*not mentioned*

STATUS: Jim Cannon is presently working to resolve the problem.

B. Recently the Congressman submitted a request to the White House asking that you appear at the Louisiana State Fair in Shreveport, Louisiana. This State Fair opens October 17, and Mr. Waggoner has indicated there will be approximately 100,000 people in attendance.

*Said  
doubtly  
2 would  
try*

STATUS: Initially this request was rejected since you have personally visited the State of Louisiana within the last six months. However, pursuant to the Congressman's desire that you be the first President to visit Shreveport, Louisiana, rather than the already frequented City of New Orleans, his request is presently being reconsidered by the White House scheduling office.

Mr. Waggoner has indicated that if you are unable to appear at the Louisiana State Fair in October, he is most hopeful that you can visit Shreveport during the spring of 1976.

TALKING  
POINTS:

1. Joe, I want to join your many, many friends in wishing you a very Happy Birthday.
2. Joe, yesterday morning I met with Southern Democrat Senators to discuss the pending veto of S. 1849, the Six-Month Extension of the Emergency Petroleum Allocation Act. This group of senators expressed their strong desire that every effort be made to reach an acceptable compromise prior to the veto of S. 1849. Therefore, I am calling a bi-partisan leadership meeting for 9 a.m. Monday morning to again encourage a reasonable compromise on energy.

APPROVE

*MC7*

DISAPPROVE

*Sunday night.*