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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 3, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

DOUGLAS P. BENNETT

FROM:

JAMES E. CONNOR \mathcal{G}

SUBJECT:

Letter from Thomas Longshore

The attached letter from Thomas L. Longshore was returned in the President's outbox with the following notation:

"Nice Letter - good record - we should compliment in letter."

Please prepare appropriate letter and return to this office for signature.

cc: Dick Cheney

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

MR PRESIDENT:

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The attached is for your information. It will be handled in a routine manner unless you indicate otherwise.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

9/2/76

TO: ________

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For the President's FYI file.

Robert D. Linder

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

THOMAS L. LONGSHORE 4301 CORINTH DRIVE BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35213

August 30, 1976

President Gerald R. Ford President of the United States The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I want to thank you for the confidence you displayed in my qualifications by nominating me to the Tennessee Valley Authority board of directors. I want you to know personally that I worked very hard to secure confirmation from the Senate. I am extremely proud of the manner in which I conducted myself at the Senate hearing and after the close vote which rejected the nomination. For your information, I am enclosing some area news articles concerning the TVA nomination, and I have highlighted certain sections which may be of interest to you.

Mr. Joseph S. Jenckes, V, of your staff, worked extremely hard with the Senate Public Works Committee in order to help ensure a favorable vote by this body. I know that he was disappointed because he felt that we had a reasonable chance to secure a confirmation. I want to again thank you and all the members of your staff for the many courtesies extended to me while I was the nominee for the TVA board of directors.

You will have our prayers and support as you enter the rigorous months ahead in campaigning for a full term.

Sincerely yours Thomash Jong

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Enclosures

September 16, 1976

Dear Tom:

Thank you for your thoughtful letter. I very much appreciated your generous comments.

The outcome of the past few months has been profoundly disappointing. However, despite the setback, I want you to know that I continue to have every confidence in your qualifications and ability to serve our Nation.

Your support will help to assure success in November and continued progress for the American people in the years ahead. You have my best wishes and gratitude for your prayers.

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Sincerely,

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Mr. Thomas L. Longshore 4301 Corinth Drive Birmingham, Alabama 35213