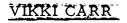
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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

VIKKI CARR INTRODUCTION AT KREISKY DINNER TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1974

TONIGHT, I AM PLEASED TO WELCOME TO THE

WHITE HOUSE ONE OF THE FINEST AND ONE OF THE LOVELIEST

SINGING TALENTS OF THIS GENERATION -- MISS VIKKI CARR.

BUT VIKKI IS FAMOUS FOR MORE THAN HER

BEAUTIFUL VOICE.

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SHE IS ALSO KNOWN FOR HER WARMTH AND

GENEROSITY. VIKKI'S HEART IS JUST AS LARGE AS HER TALENT. SHE IS ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO BELIEVES IN GIVING OF HERSELF TO HELP OTHERS. SHE IS NATIONAL CHAIRWOMAN OF THE CHRISTMAS SEAL DRIVE, AND JUST A WEEK AGO, SHE AND I KICKED OFF HERE AT THE WHITE HOUSE THE 1974 CAMPAIGN TO FIGHT LUNG DISEASE.

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VIKKI HAS HELPED TO RAISE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR CHARITY IN BENEFIT PERFORMANCES.

IN ADDITION TO THE CHRISTMAS SEAL CAMPAIGN, SHE HAS GIVEN HER TIME AND TALENT TO THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY, THE MARCH OF DIMES, ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION IN HOUSTON, ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL IN MEMPHIS, AND THE OVERSEAS FEDERAL CAMPAIGN FUND.

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VIKKI IS A MEXICAN-AMERICAN AND VERY PROUD OF HER HERITAGE. THAT IS WHY THE CONTRIBUTION CLOSEST . TO HER HEART IS THE VIKKI CARR SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION. SINCE 1971, VIKKI'S FOUNDATION HAS PROVIDED MORE THAN \$40,000 TO HELP SOME 56 MEXICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS ATTEND COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

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THAT IS A SPLENDID EFFORT, AND VIKKI DESERVES OUR CONGRATULATIONS AND OUR THANKS FOR IT.

MR. CHANCELLOR, WE ALL KNOW THAT AUSTRIA IS A MUSICAL NATION. THE MUSICAL HERITAGE OF VIENNA HAS MADE THE WORLD A RICHER PLACE.

AMERICA HAS ALSO ITS OWN MUSIC, AND I WOULD NOW LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO LISTEN TO SOME OF THE BEST OF THAT MUSIC SUNG BY ONE OF OUR VERY FINEST PERFORMERS, MISS VIKKI CARR.

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