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File: Mental Retardation

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Mrs. Ford's affiliations and activities with the mentally retarded:

National Honorary Board Member of Augustana Nursery -- Chicago, Ill.

Honorary International Chairman of the Fourth International Special Olympics -- 1975

Honorary Chairperson, National Association for Mental Health -- 1975

Oakland County Association for Retarded Citizens -- Honorary Chairman for their Third Annual Michigan Performing Arts Competition -- 1974

Honorary Member of the President's Committee on Mental Retardation

A few groups Mrs. Ford has received at the White House:

National Poster Child for the National Association of Retarded Citizens -- March '75

Through the President's Committee on Mental Retardation Mrs. Ford received an Indian girl at the White House

Mrs. Ford dropped by the national meeting of the National Association for Mental Retardation -- Fall 1974

Mrs. Ford has publicly stated her interest in the fields of:

Mental Retardation

Mental Health

Handicapped

Arts

Women -- ERA

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MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION, CUMING BURT

Accept: Honorary Member

Reply: October 21, 1974
Mrs. Sue Stover, Chairwoman
885 East Sherman
West Point, Nebraska 68788

ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CITIZENS, OAKLAND COUNTY

Accept: Honorary Chairman
3rd Annual Michigan Performing Arts
Competition
November 10, 1974

Reply: September 27, 1974
Mr. Frank Messana
Administrative Assistant
50 Wayne Street
Pontiac, Michigan 48058

ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CHILDREN, KENT COUNTY

Accept: Honorary Membership

Reply: April 23, 1975
Ms. Janet Woudenberg
President
Kent County Association for
Retarded Children
441 Cherry Street, Southeast
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49503



PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON MENTAL RETARDATION

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Washington, D. C. 20210

ARTS FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED AND HANDICAPPED,
NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON

Accept: Honorary Chairperson

Reply: July 10, 1975
Mr. Jack W. Kukuk
Assistant Director
Alliance for Arts Education
John F. Kennedy Center
Washington, D. C. 20566

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH

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