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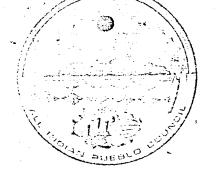
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San Juan Pueblo Chairman

January 16, 1975

Honorable GealdFord; President of the United States THE WHITE HOUSE Washington, D. C.

Dear President Ford:

On behalf of the Taos Pueblo Council, and the All Indian Pueblo Council, representing the nineteen (19) New Mexico Pueblo tribes, we extend this invitation to you and request your presence at the San Geronimo fiestas commemorating the official feast day of the Taos Pueblo Indians in Taos Pueblo, New Mexico, on September 30, 1975.

The Pueblo Indians of New Mexico, numbering approximately forty (40) thousand, are considered by many to be the back-bone and last strong hold of Indian culture and traditions. Never before in the history of this Country, has a President of the United States visited a group of people who have been under the rule of Spain, Mexico, and now, these great United States. It will surely be a historic event if you are able to visit with the Pueblo leadership and their people on this humble Indian holiday.

Realizing your busy schedule, we request that should you be unable to accept our invitation, would you please ask Vice President Nelson Rockefeller, to be yourpersonal representative on this occassion.

Lastly, please also extend our invitation to Dr. Ted C. Marrs. We are proud to say that we consider Dr. Marrs, in the highest regard. He has visited the New Mexico Pueblos and understands our unique culture and people.

With deepest regards and best wishes, we remain

Sincerely,

Henry Lujan, Governor of the Pueblo of Taos

Delfin J./Lovato, Chairman of the All Indian Pueblo Council

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON April 16, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Ted Marrs

FROM:

Ron Nessen

I presume this is something you would know about since you are in charge of all Bicentennial events.

Can you handle this?

Thank you.

International Communicational Inc.

Mr. Ron Nessen Press Secretary White House Washington, D. C. April 14, 1975

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Sincerely,

Nat Manar, President

Danar International Communications, Inc.

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WASHINGTON

April 29, 1975

TO:

RON NESSON

FROM:

TED MARRS JUNI

To the best of my knowledge the only film being considered to be done on the White House is by the White House Historical Association.

According to Clem Conger's office they are about ready to select a film maker. We have forwarded Mr. Danar's letter to Clem for the consideration of the Historical Association people.

Although this film is being referred to as a Bicentennial project it is my understanding that it will not be completed in time for viewing during the Bicentennial year.

If you need any further information please let me know.

cc: Gerry Warren Bob Mead International Communitations Inc.

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WASHINGTON

May 12, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

RONALD H. NESSEN

FROM:

TED MARRS

You are invited to attend a reception which the President will host for the National Republican Heritage Groups (Nationalities) Council on Friday, May 16, 1975, at 5:00 p.m.

There will be a brief greeting session in the East Room at 5:00 p.m., followed by a reception on the State Floor.

As a matter of background - the Fifth Annual Convention of the National Republican Heritage Groups Council will be held at the Mayflower Hotel May 16 through 18, 1975.

WASHINGTON

June 21, 1975

NOTE FOR:

TED MARRS

FROM:

RON NESSEN

SUBJECT:

Attached letter from Edward J. Piszek

of Copernicus Society of America

Please handle the attached.

Dear Mr. Pissek:

Jack Anderson did make me aware of your desire to have the President press a button to ring your replica of the Liberty Bell as part of a television interview Mr. Anderson is planning with the President.

However, it was decided that your requestefor the President to participate in this event should be considered separately. I am sending your letter to the Office here at the White House which deals with the President's Bicentennial participation, and I am sure you will be hearing back from them soon.

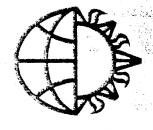
Sincerely,

Ron Nessen
Press Secretary
to the President

Mr. Edward J. Pisnek
Copernicus Society of America
5830 Henry Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19128

cc: Mr. Ted Marrs

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copernicus society of america

5830 HENRY AVENUE ● PHILADELPHIA, PA. 19128 ● (215) 483-6808

June 20, 1975

Mr. Ronald H. Nessen
Press Secretary to the President
The White House
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Nessen:

I have been active for some time with the Copernicus Society of America, which I started in June, 1972. We have promulgated a program to show the contribution of the ethnic groups in the United States. This program was designed to reach both the ethnic groups themselves and the other non-ethnic sectors of our society.

Our central objective is to weld all Americans into their most important identity - American Americans. Our program, however, does not disturb or eliminate individual ethnic identity.

We have received flattering support from Americans of Polish heritage, as well as Americans of Italian heritage. Actually, all ethnic groups have given us their support.

As part of this program I have had cast an exact replica of the original Liberty Bell. The Whitechapel Bell Foundry of England has cast this bell to the identical specifications of the original Liberty Bell. The Whitechapel Bell Foundry is the same continuing company that the Continental Congress used to cast the original bell.

We can now produce the same beautiful sound of the original Liberty Bell which rung in Philadelphia in 1776.

The spiritual value and the inspirational value of recreating this original sound is beyond imagination.

In a conversation with Jack Anderson, we developed a plan whereby President Ford could initiate a July 4th ceremony to ring this bell. Mr. Ronald H. Nessen Page 2 June 20, 1975

Jack Anderson stated that he would be happy to televise such a ceremony by coincidental television crews in Washington and Philadelphia. All President Ford need do is either signal or push a button for the bell to ring in Philadelphia.

I am hopeful that you will see fit to call this to the attention of the President.

It would mean much to all Americans and especially we ethnics of European descent.

With every best wish,

Sincerely,

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WASHINGTON

July 14, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

RON NESSEN

FROM:

TED MARRS

SUBJECT:

Copernicus Society of American request

My office telephoned Mr. Piszek and notified him that because of the short time element and his previously committed schedule there was no possiblity of the President participating in the July 4 ceremony he suggested.

Mr. Piszek graciously offered to plan the ceremony at any time convenient to the President.

We have referred the request to Warren Rustand's office for consideration and have informed Mr. Piszek of this.

WASHINGTON

January 15, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JACK MARSH

RON NESSEN -

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FROM:

TED MARRS

SUBJECT:

PARALYZED VETERANS ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE - PARAPLEGIA NEWS

For your information.

Enclosures

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by Larry M. Ross, Ph.D. PVA Executive Director

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

February 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

D. CHENEY

J. MARSH

B. HARTMANN

J. CANNON

R. NESSEN -

FROM:

TED MARRS

For your information.

Enclosures



UNITED STATE JATHOLIC CONFERENCE

OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT LIAISON

1312 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE, N.W. WASHINGTON, D. C. 20005

Feb. 4, 1976

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you and the President would

appareinte a copy of the

entire statement. Regards,

Jes Lobinson



DATE: February 3, 1976

FROM: Russell Shaw

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CATHOLIC LEADER CALLS ABORTION VIEWS OF FORD, OTHERS CONFUSED

WASHINGTON--The President of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops has taken issue with President Ford's views on abortion, expressed in a network television interview.

But, said Archbishop Joseph L. Bernardin, "it would be unfair...to be any more critical of Mr. Ford than of some other prominent political leaders, whose views on the abortion issue appear to be equally confused."

"My hope is that, as discussion of this question continues in the political arena during 1976, office holders and aspirants to public office will study the issue carefully and adopt positions in support of a constitutional amendment to protect the fundamental right to life of the unborn," Archbishop Bernardin said.

In the network interview, a transcript of which was released by the White House, Mr. Ford said he disagrees with the Supreme Court abortion decisions and opposes abortion on demand--but that he also

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opposes a constitutional amendment to correct the Supreme Court's ruling and believes corrective action should be left to the states.

Archbishop Bernardin called this position "inconsistent and disappointing."

"The fact is that without a constitutional amendment on abortion, it is impossible for the states to
place meaningful limits on abortion--precisely because
the Supreme Court decision took the matter out of the
hands of the states and legalized abortion on demand."

Following is the text of Archbishop Bernardin's statement:

"Mr. Ford's comments on the abortion issue are inconsistent and disappointing. He states his opposition to abortion on demand and his support for the right of states to restrict abortion. But he also opposes a constitutional amendment on abortion. The fact is that without a constitutional amendment, it is impossible for the states to place meaningful limits on abortion—precisely because the Supreme Court decision took the matter out of the hands of the states and legalized abortion on demand.

"If there is to be any improvement in the present situation—an improvement the President apparently desires, along with many millions of other Americans—it can only come about by a constitutional amendment to undo the damage of the Supreme Court decision.

"It is regrettable that Mr. Ford's comments seem to contradict his earlier position, expressed both before and after he became President, of support for a so-called "states' rights" amendment permitting the states to adopt meaningful legislation to restrict or prohibit abortion. I sincerely hope that the President will reconsider his views.

"It would be unfair, however, to be any more critical of Mr. Ford than of some other prominent political leaders whose views on the abortion issue

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WASHINGTON

February 5, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JACK MARSH
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FROM:

TED MARRS

On Tuesday, February 10, 1976, the President has invited a number of representatives of military oriented organizations to the East Room for a briefing on the Defense Budget and other related matters.

The meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. with the President coming in about 5:30 p.m. A reception in the State Dining Room will follow.

If your schedule will permit, you might like to attend this function to which you are cordially invited.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

February 25, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

RON NESSEN

JUDY JOHNSTON

SARAH MASSENGALE

FROM:

TED MARRS

The Good Neighbor Day should be done regardless of our rules and customs. This is timely. The requesting associations are significant. The objective is worthwhile.

Enclosures



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON February 20, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR RON KIENLEN

FROM:

JUDY JOHNSTON

SUBJECT:

Proclamation Request Good Neighbor Day

Attached is a letter to the President from Harriet Miller, Executive Director of the National Retired Teachers Association and the American Association of Retired Persons requesting the President to issue a proclamation designating the fourth Sunday in each September as "Good Neighbor Day".

Could I please have your recommendation as to the possibility of the President issuing such a proclamation.

Thanks

cc: Sarah Massengale
 Ted Marrs

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NATIONAL RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

February 18, 1976

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

Dear Mr. President:

The National Retired Teachers Association and the American Association of Retired Persons urge you to issue a proclamation designating permanent observance of the fourth Sunday of September of each year as "Good Neighbor Day".

Our Associations have long been advocates of promoting better human relationships between the young and the elderly. Americans are living in a period of great flux where changing values and high mobility have resulted in a falling away from the sense of community we developed in the early years as a nation. During the Bicentennial it seems most appropriate that our public policy should reflect a spirit of humanitarianism and unity.

Our fragmented society has been detrimental to communication between generations. Setting aside a day as "Good Neighbor Day" would foster better understanding and consideration of all Americans by fellow Americans. It would help to open paths of communication wherein the youth of America could be brought back into the lives of our senior citizens. In turn, elderly Americans could communicate the wisdom of their experiences to the benefit of our youth.

Congressional support for a "Good Neighbor Day" has already been demonstrated by the introduction of several concurrent resolutions. We appeal to you, however, as leader of the nation to take the initial step toward recognizing the potential in human relationships by proclaiming the fourth Sunday of September of each year as "Good Neighbor Day".

Sincerely,

Harriet Miller

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Executive Director

Mary Muiten President, NRTA Douglas O. Woodruff President, AARP Harriet Miller Acting Executive Director

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

RON NESSEN

FROM:

TED MARRS Jul

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

VALLEY FORGE 7-4-76

Expression of your recommendation or opposition in regard to this event would be appreciated before submitting this schedule proposal.

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