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July 20, 1994

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., Chair
U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Biden:

As the conference committee on the crime bill meets, I wanted to share the City of Scottsdale's views on the issue of flexibility within the proposed Cops on the Beat Program. The City strongly supports the Cops on the Beat program, and is pleased that it was included in both the House and Senate crime bills.

However, we believe that the program can be greatly improved by allowing increased flexibility in the use of Cops on the Beat funds. Overtime, training, equipment, technology and civilian support staff are all very worthy candidates for funding and could assist cities such as Scottsdale put more officers on the streets in a faster manner. Overtime is particularly important during the early years of the program so that cities can increase police presence on the streets while new officers are being recruited and trained.

To allow up to 35 percent of the Cops on the Beat funds to be used for these purposes would be extremely helpful.

We in Scottsdale hope that you and the conferees will agree on a crime bill as soon as possible and we assure you that we will expend any funds made available to us in a responsible and effective manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Herb Drinkwater", is written over a horizontal line.

Herbert R. Drinkwater
Mayor

LINCOLN



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

NEBRASKA'S CAPITAL CITY

MIKE JOHANNIS, MAYOR

July 20, 1994

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Washington, DC 20510

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Sincerely,

Mike Johannis
Mayor



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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

RICHARD J. RIORDAN
MAYOR

July 20, 1994

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Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Biden:

I am writing to urge that the conference committee meeting to resolve differences in the House and Senate versions of the crime bill adopt provisions which allow for flexibility in the use of funds for the "Cops on the Beat" Program.

In Los Angeles, I have initiated Project Safety L.A. which sets forth our plan to increase the size of the Police Department and establish effective community-based policing. This will be accomplished with a combination of additional police hires, more overtime funds and increased productivity as a result of modern technology advancements.

Yes, we are in great need of adding more officers to the Los Angeles Police Department. However, these new officers must be trained and equipped, which is a costly proposition. Likewise, overtime compensation is essential to increase the presence of more police on the streets immediately. It has been estimated that some 30 to 40 percent of an officer's time is spent in non-patrol functions. It would be extremely helpful if we could use some of these federal funds for new technology to improve productivity and put more officers on the street.

I want to thank you for taking a leadership role on the crime issue in the Senate. Please be assured that Los Angeles will make good use of the funds provided under the legislation.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Riordan
Mayor

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City of Columbus
Mayor Gregory S. Lashutka

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Sincerely,

Gregory S. Lashutka
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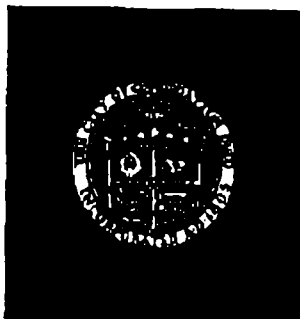
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MICHAEL R. TURNER
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City of Brea

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Sincerely,

Glenn G. Parker
Mayor

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The City of Fort Wayne

Paul Helmke, Mayor

July 19, 1994

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United States Senate
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Dear Senator Biden:

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In Fort Wayne, as well as other cities throughout the country, there is a delay between the time money becomes available for the hiring of new police officers and the day they can begin active duty. For us, the quickest way to increase our police presence is to pay overtime to experienced officers while the new officers are going through the selection process and their formal training.

The ability for cities to use a portion of the funds allocated for hiring new officers for overtime, training, equipment and support staff is crucial to ensuring the effectiveness of any crime control legislation.

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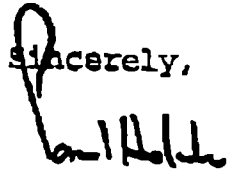
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Sincerely,



Paul Helmke
Mayor



CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

STEPHEN GOLDSMITH
MAYORADDRESS REPLY TO:
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As is the case with other mayors around the country, I am closely following the progress of the House and Senate conference committee which is crafting the final outlines of the crime bill. Thank you for the opportunities you are forging to bring additional resources to our nation's cities to combat the high incidence of crime and violence which assaults our citizens on a daily basis.

As the conference committee meets, I urge you to consider the needs of cities such as Indianapolis for flexibility in how funds for community policing will be spent under this bill. In order to put more police into communities, many mayors such as myself will hire new personnel. But there are ways of increasing police presence in our communities other than hiring new officers, and there are many cities which would be able to reach the goal of the legislation if they were given an opportunity to do so in a manner consistent with their special circumstances.

Flexibility for cities means funding to hire civilians, so that officers behind a desk can return to patrol. It means funding for overtime, so that police presence in communities can be extended and officers assigned where they are needed in specialized locations and units. If cities were given the opportunity to purchase appropriate new computer equipment and technologies, there would be less paperwork and an attendant increase in street presence. There are many paths to take to get to the end result of more "cops on the beat," and we at the local level are the ones best able to decide which path to take. Please insure that we have that opportunity.

Again, my thanks for your efforts to pass this vitally important legislation.

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Stephen Goldsmith



CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

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JUL-19-1994 15:01 FROM CITY OF NEWARK

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CITY OF NEWARK, CALIFORNIA

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July 19, 1994

The Honorable Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hatch:

On behalf of the citizens of Newark, California, I am writing to urge the House-Senate conference committee on the crime bill to adopt the provisions which allow for flexibility in the use of funds for the hiring of additional police officers.

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As a Republican Mayor, I assure you that the issue of flexibility in terms of the Cops on the Beat Program is not a partisan issue. Mayors and police chiefs from across this country and from both parties have recognized the need for a crime bill which enables local government and local police departments to attack crime in a manner that is the most effective and efficient for that particular jurisdiction. To do this, the crime bill must provide for flexibility.

Thank you for your leadership in the Senate and the conference committee on this historic crime bill. We look forward to working with you on this and other issues in the future.

Sincerely,

David W. Smith
DAVID W. SMITH
Mayor

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CITY OF

San Bernardino

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TOM MINOR
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July 19, 1994

SENT VIA FAX AND U.S. MAIL

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We applaud the leadership you have shown on the crime bill this year and on resolving differences between the House and Senate versions and are confident that you will do everything possible to assure that cities are able to make the best possible use of the police hiring funds that become available.

Sincerely,

Victor Ashe
Mayor of Knoxville
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July 19, 1994

The Honorable Orrin Hatch
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
147 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hatch:

As the conference committee meets to resolve differences in the House and Senate versions of the crime bills, I am writing to discuss one specific issue relating to the Cops on the Beat Program: flexibility.

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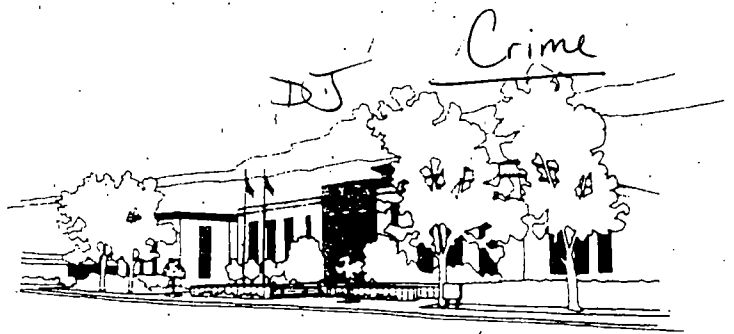
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July 18, 1994

President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

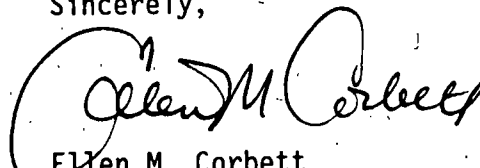
RE: Support of the proposed Crime Bill.

On behalf of the San Leandro City Council, thank you for your letter of July 1, regarding the crime bill. It is with great enthusiasm that the City of San Leandro supports the proposed legislation. It is our understanding that this bill would allow local governments to distribute the monies allocated from federal resources, in accordance with the needs of the individual community. Since San Leandro is a city that values vision, innovation, and sound resource management, I am confident that our City has the skills needed to implement this legislation.

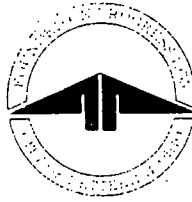
If passed, this bill will allow our police department a greater opportunity to enhance our community-policing efforts with our citizens. The City Council and I appreciate your sensitivity to this volatile issue, and we, like you, would like to see it resolved expeditiously and sensibly. I know the citizens of San Leandro would be highly disillusioned by our nation's legislative process if this bill became grid-locked in political rhetoric. For this reason, the City of San Leandro plans to take an active roll in monitoring the progress of this legislation as it evolves in Congress.

Thank you again for taking such a personal interest in our City. We fully support your efforts to see this legislation become a reality. Please note for your records that I am the newly elected Mayor of San Leandro.

Sincerely,


Ellen M. Corbett
Mayor

cc: Congressman Fortney Pete Stark
EMC/cw



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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

July 15, 1994

The Honorable William J. Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20515

Dear President Clinton:

In response to your recent letter concerning the Crime Bill, I am pleased to share with you copies of my letter to all Ohio representatives in the Senate and House.

I have also enclosed copies of the response from Senator Glenn and Representative Hall.

I will continue to urge passage of this very important bill to address the problems of crime and violence in our nation.

Respectfully,

RICHARD P. HARTMANN
Mayor of Kettering

Enclosures

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JOHN GLENN
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3501

June 27, 1994

Honorable Richard P. Hartmann
Mayor, City of Kettering Ohio
665 Renolda Wood Court
Kettering, Ohio 45429

Dear Mayor:

Thank you for sharing your concerns with me regarding our criminal justice system.

Crime creates fear and anxiety in each one of us, and with good reason. A violent crime takes place in America every 22 seconds. And the Justice Department reports that nearly one out of three households is touched by a serious crime each year. Crime creates not only apprehension and misery, but also costs Americans billions every year in spending on our criminal justice system, medical care, private protection and lost and damaged property.

I believe it is time that America backs up its tough talk on crime with real action. The Senate on November 19th approved a tough Crime Bill which I supported. This legislation provides for harsh penalties for violent criminals, increased funding for state prison construction and would put 100,000 new police officers on the street. This bill must now go to a conference committee where differences will be resolved with House-passed crime legislation.

Unfortunately, there is currently very little deterrence in our criminal justice system because of our revolving-door prisons. If someone is convicted and sent to prison, they need to serve their full sentence. If you do the crime, you had better do the time.

During Senate debate on the Crime Bill, I sponsored an amendment which I believe will increase the impact of prison funding under the bill. Non-violent offenders --especially drug offenders --are now clogging up our prisons and causing violent offenders to be let out early. Non-violent offenders simply do not have to be housed in high security facilities. And we should not spend millions to build "Cadillac" prisons to house them.

I believe that low cost, prefabricated facilities would work just fine for non-violent offenders. When I was in the

Honorable Richard P. Hartmann
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military, my family and I lived in Quonset huts during the cold of winter and the heat of summer. If Quonset huts are good enough for military families, they are certainly good enough for those who break the law. My amendment to the Crime Bill calls on the Attorney General to give priority to such low cost construction methods so that we can use limited resources to build adequate prison space. This is the only way that our system will be able to deter crime effectively.

I will continue to push for measures to get tough on dangerous and violent criminals and to stop the revolving door that makes a mockery of our criminal justice system. Thank you for contacting me about this issue of mutual concern.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John Glenn". The signature is fluid and elegant, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

John Glenn
United States Senator

JG/kem

TONY P. HALL

THIRD DISTRICT, OHIO

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Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

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June 23, 1994

Mayor
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Mayor's File

The Honorable Richard P. Hartmann
3600 Shroyer Road
Kettering, Ohio 45429

Dear Mr. ~~Hartmann~~:

Thank you for contacting me regarding the crime bill currently being debated in a House-Senate conference. I appreciate hearing from you on this important matter. In an effort to be helpful, I have forwarded your letter to both Chairman Jack Brooks of the House Judiciary Committee and Chairman Joe Biden of the Senate Judiciary Committee for their review.

I agree that a tough and fair crime bill must contain a balance of punishment and prevention programs. I believe that you have effectively outlined the key issues that are important to communities like Kettering as they attempt to fight the increasingly violent crimes and extreme poverty found throughout the Dayton area. More importantly, a comprehensive crime package must include the Federal funds necessary for local communities to pursue effective anti-crime strategies, such as the community policing program.

I am hopeful that the agreed upon measure will include many of the points you mentioned. Please be assured that I will continue to monitor any developments that take place with respect to this issue.

Thanks again for contacting me, and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Tony
Tony P. Hall
Member of Congress

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J. THOMAS COCHRAN

The Honorable Howard Metzenbaum
The United States Senate
140 Senate Russell Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Senator Metzenbaum:

As Ohio mayors attending the 62nd Annual Conference of Mayors in Portland, Oregon, we are writing to express our strong interest on several items that will be before you as a conferee of the crime bill.

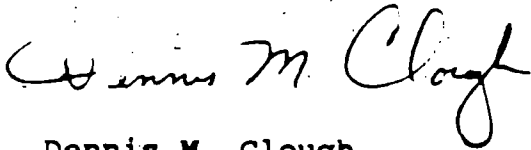
First, we urge you to accept the Senate funding authorization level to provide funding for 100,000 police officers for our cities. We believe the presence of police officers on the street will go a long way towards deterring crime, apprehending offenders and helping our citizens feel safer on the streets of our communities. In addition, it is imperative that our cities have the flexibility in the use of these funds to pay for such costs as overtime, training, equipment, and various efforts to support community policing. Furthermore, we hope that you will advocate for language that will provide the Attorney General with authority to waive the match requirements or offer the opportunity for in-kind match.

Second, it is extremely critical that the final version of the crime bill contain the crime prevention measures of the Local Partnership Act as specified in the House version. Crime prevention programs that are designed locally to meet the specific needs of our neighborhoods represent the best long term solution to the scourge of crime. The Local Partnership funds will provide millions of dollars to develop these programs in Ohio's communities.

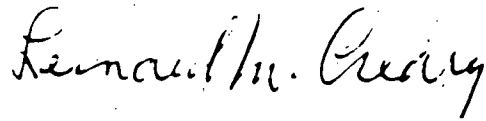
Finally, we encourage you to include the ban on semiautomatic assault weapons. This measure will help to remove the weapons of choice from criminals that terrorize our communities.

Senator Metzenbaum, you have been a leader on so many issues critical to our nation's cities. We ask for your continued support in fashioning what could become the most significant crime prevention measure in recent history. We thank you in advance for your efforts on behalf of Ohio's cities.

Sincerely,



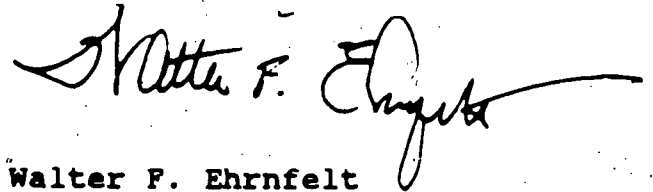
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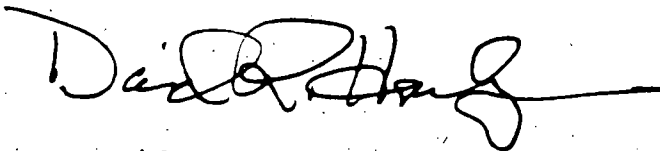
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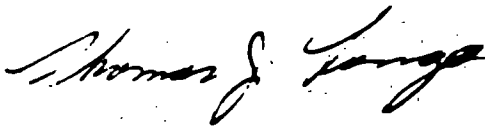
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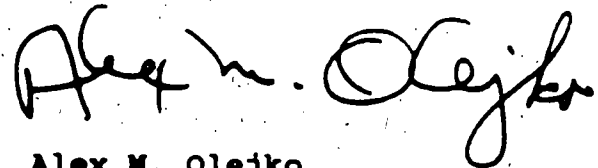
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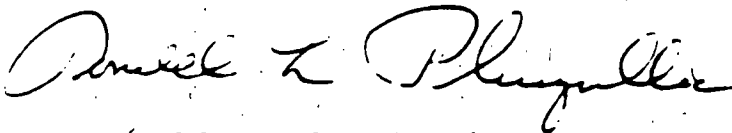
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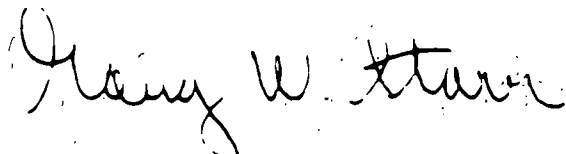
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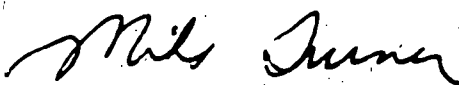
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July 14, 1994

The Honorable Kweisi Mfume, Chair
Congressional Black Caucus
344 Ford House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Mfume:

The crime bill currently in conference has the potential of providing critical help to the nation's cities and of having a significant impact on the crime problems we face. It is a balance of prevention and punishment. We know that the inclusion of the prevention provisions is a direct result of the hard work of the Congressional Black Caucus. You played a key role in writing the House bill, which is clearly the preferable of the two.

One of the provisions in the House bill, and one which we support, is the Racial Justice Act. Data has shown that African-Americans proportionally have received the death sentence more frequently than other Americans. This is an injustice which must be addressed.

We do not believe, however, that the Racial Justice Act or any one critical provision should bring down the entire bill. It includes too many important provisions: funding that will increase the availability of drug treatment, a ban on semi-automatic weapons, a range of crime prevention provisions that will provide alternatives and real help to our young people, and the ability to hire additional police officers. It also includes provisions that could prevent people from turning to crime in the first place and having to face stiff penalties, including the death sentence. We cannot afford to lose the opportunities this bill provides to the people of our cities.

None of us supports all of the individual provisions included in the crime bill. Clearly it represents many compromises, and there is too much in it that is good for us to oppose it because of those individual provisions. We urge you and other members of the Congressional Black Caucus not to oppose a crime bill which includes so many vital provisions for the people of our cities because it may not include the Racial Justice Act. We would like to work with you to secure passage of the Racial Justice Act either as a separate measure or as part of another bill.

Sincerely,

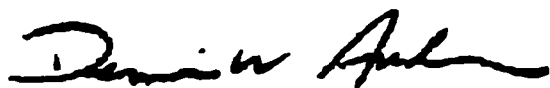
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Wellington Webb
Mayor of Denver

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Norman Rice
Mayor of Seattle

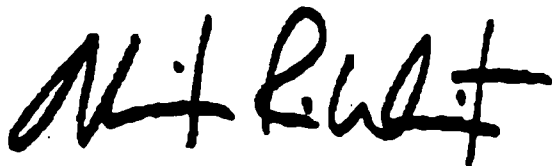
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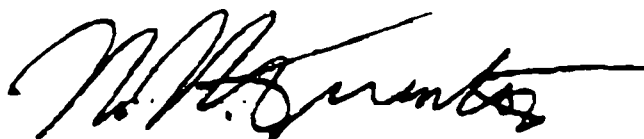
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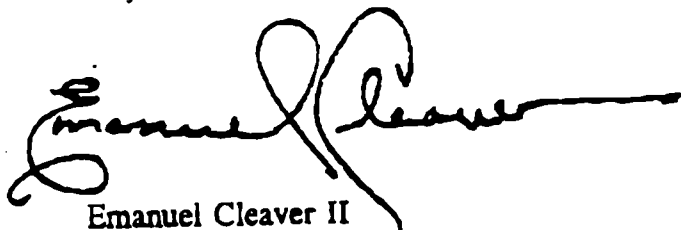
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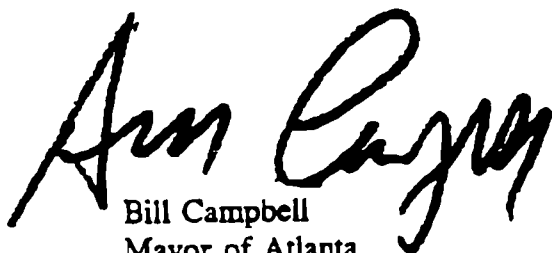
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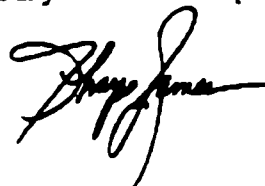
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Bill Campbell
Mayor of Atlanta



Sharpe James
Mayor of Newark

cc: Members, Congressional Black Caucus

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 1, 1994

The Honorable Paul Keenan
Mayor of Albany
Albany, Georgia 31702-0447

Dear Paul:

You have an historic opportunity to directly affect one of the most important issues facing our nation today -- crime and violence. Congress is now in the process of reconciling the differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of the crime bill, and you have an important voice.

You and many other Mayors have already done a great deal to focus public attention on crime, and I thank you for your efforts to date. Working together, we have been able to get Congress to pass sweeping crime legislation that focuses on getting resources to those on the front lines -- local governments and local law enforcement. This is a significant departure from past crime bills. Instead of merely expanding the federal government's role in state and local matters, the current crime bill takes the monies we save from shrinking the federal bureaucracy -- some \$28 billion -- and gives them to you to fight crime. Here are some of the things that the crime bill will do: It will help cities put more police on the street and expand community policing; it will provide more monies for prisons, jails, and boot camps, and to house criminal aliens; it will say to repeat violent offenders "three strikes and you're out"; it will ban the deadliest assault weapons; and it will give equal billing to crime prevention activities, particularly those that target our youth.

However, with the passage of the most sweeping and sensible crime bill near completion, I will need your support and assistance to finish the job we began six months ago. I encourage you to become personally involved so that Congress can move quickly. The crime bill is too important to delay or sacrifice to the politics of gridlock. Let us not lose this historic opportunity to act decisively.

Sincerely,

Bill Clinton



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July 1, 1994

The Honorable Orrin Hatch
United States Senate
135 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510-4402

Dear Senator Hatch:

I am writing to express my extreme concern and that of mayors across the nation with the Republican Alternative Crime Bill Conference Report which you announced yesterday. We have highlighted three key issues in our correspondence with you and other conferees. Your proposal contradicts our request and moves in the opposite direction.

We have requested that the grants for police hiring allow increased flexibility so that the funds can be used for items such as overtime, equipment and new technology, all of which could increase police presence on the streets. The Alternative Conference Report removes any flexibility from the bill. In addition, it would distribute the funds among the states on the basis of population (the Byrne grant formula). That will add an unnecessary and complicating level of bureaucracy to the program and assure -- between the non-needs based formula to the states and the tendency of states to spread funds around rather than target them -- that the funds will not likely be available to those areas which need them most. Cities are invariably short-changed when state governments handle allocations.

We have urged that the crime bill include a strong prevention package, in particular the Local Partnership Act. The Local Partnership Act provides flexible funds to local governments for education, substance abuse and jobs programs that prevent crime. How they use the money would be based on local needs. Among the kinds of programs that could be funded by it are the DARE program, metal detectors in schools, job training programs, keeping school facilities open longer for community activities, gang prevention programs, drug treatment, drug intervention programs, employment programs for young people or adults, and capitol improvements relating to educational, drug treatment or employment programs that prevent crimes. Your proposal deletes the Local Partnership Act and many of the other prevention provisions that have been included in the House and Senate versions of the crime bill. There may be room for debate concerning the distribution formula for the LPA, but the concept of prevention is a vital one.

City of Miami, Florida

STEPHEN P. CLARK
MAYOR



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April 5, 1994

The Honorable Bill Clinton
President of the United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

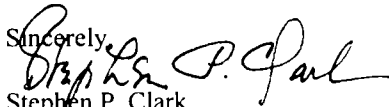
Thank you for your recent letter and your "Anti-Crime Legislation: Police, Punishment, and Prevention" package. I am writing to acknowledge my support of the anti-crime legislation which is now pending before Congress.

I have reviewed the materials you sent and am pleased to inform you that the City of Miami Police Department is a nationwide model for community policing. The City of Miami was the recipient of a \$1.95 Million grant as part of your initiative to add 100,000 new police officers to police forces throughout the country. This grant has enabled our Police Department to add an additional Neighborhood Resource Officer to each of our Neighborhood Enhancement Teams (NET), furthering our efforts to ameliorate the relations between law enforcement and Miami's citizens.

Getting guns out of the hands of criminals and out the hands of minors, however, remains a serious problem for all of us. One way in which we are attempting to combat this situation is through YOUTH H.E.L.P. (Handgun Exchange Leadership Program), a City-sponsored gun exchange program. This program is unique in that it is directed to kids and young adults and requires them to participate in a weekend-long retreat to learn about alternatives to violence, be exposed to positive role models and participate in a job fair.

Of course, the passage of the Anti-Crime Legislation will greatly enhance all of these efforts and it will improve our chances of regaining control of our streets, making them safer for our residents as well as visitors and restoring a sense of safety throughout the community as a whole. For all of these reasons, I fully support your Anti-Crime Bill.

Sincerely,


Stephen P. Clark
Mayor

cc: Marcia L. Hale
Assistant to the President and
Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

Anti-Crime



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March 28, 1994

The Honorable William Clinton
President
United States of America
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Clinton:

The City of Otsego is urging Congress to immediately vote on anti-crime legislation. We are concerned that too many of America's communities are frightened by the ever increasing numbers of violent crimes. No community, or family, is untouched by crime or the fear of being victimized by violent acts. The level of violent acts in our country is reaching major proportions.

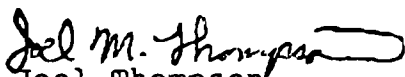
This growing violence in America demands an end to the national legislative gridlock over anti-crime legislation. The City of Otsego urgently calls upon the Congress of the United States to enact anti-crime legislation immediately so that the resources and programs such legislation will provide can be utilized on a timely basis. It is our hope that this anti-crime legislation will include:

- *A balanced approach between enforcement and prevention programs.
- *Direct block grant anti-crime funds to communities, with maximum flexibility allowed in the use of those funds.
- *Creation of a federal anti-crime trust fund financed by dedicated revenues from licensing fees levied on weapons, ammunition and weapons dealers.
- *Exploration of cooperative programs with the U.S. military to create education and training programs for at-risk young people in our cities and towns.

The City of Otsego commits itself to crime prevention and suppression and calls upon its citizens to assist in these efforts in support of anti-crime legislation enacted by Congress. We pledge to do our part, if the House and Senate will work together to enact this much needed legislation.

Thank you for your support and efforts on behalf of the citizens of the City of Otsego.

Respectfully,


Joel Thompson
Mayor

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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March 23, 1994

The Honorable Richard M. Daley
Mayor
City of Chicago
City Hall
Room 507
121 North LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Dear Mayor Daley:

It was good to hear from you, and I appreciate your writing and sharing your suggestion to hold a Washington Lobby Day after the crime legislation gets out of committee.

Your offer of assistance to us as we move forward with this initiative is helpful, and I will certainly keep it in mind. I have shared your letter with both Rahm Emanuel and Carol Rasco for their review, and I think you are right in assuming that there will be many difficult issues to resolve as the process goes through the House and Senate. As you know, however, this is one of the President's top priorities.

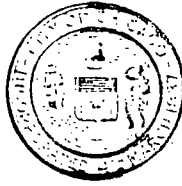
Again, thank you for taking the time to write and please keep in touch.

Personally,

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Mack McLarty
Chief of Staff to the President

We're close -
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there. Your support
has been so helpful.



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CITY OF CHICAGO

RICHARD M. DALEY
MAYOR

March 18, 1994

Mr. Thomas F. McLarty, III
Chief of Staff
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. McLarty:

I am watching with interest as the House Judiciary Committee begins work on a number of anti-crime bills. As I mentioned in our recent meeting, I strongly support the comprehensiveness, scope and direction of the Senate version of the crime bill. I offer my services to work with the White House and other local government and police organizations to ensure enactment of this type of legislation.

I propose a *Washington Lobby Day* on which local elected officials, police chiefs and interested community-based organizations would go to Washington to provide an organized and very public show of support for anti-crime legislation and to strongly urge the Congress to move quickly to enact such legislation. A *Washington Lobby Day* should begin with a public event with the President and all of the involved organizations. The message is simple. The President wants a crime bill, the American public wants a crime bill and Congress must act now to enact a crime bill. The supporters should then go to Capitol Hill to meet with the leadership of both the House and the Senate with the same message--pass the crime bill now. Mayors, chiefs and community leaders should then fan out on the Hill visiting Members from their own communities and targeting conferees.

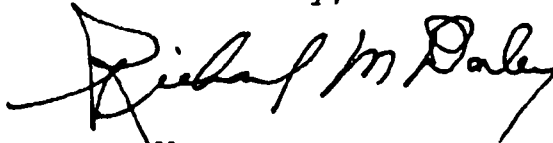
It seems to me that it may be most beneficial to plan this event once legislation has passed the House and the Judiciary Committees are moving toward Conference. I am aware that there will be some very difficult issues to resolve in Conference. However, my colleagues and I

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are prepared to urge the conferees to immediately enact the provisions that help us most on the frontlines of the war on crime, such as the 100,000 police on the streets, the "Community Schools Initiative," and an assault weapons ban. We can not let other more contentious issues delay enactment of practical and meaningful anti-crime measures.

I am committed to doing whatever I can to urge Congress to act promptly on this legislation and welcome any suggestions from the White House. I know that the U.S. Conference of Mayors has also been in touch with the White House and look forward to working together to ensure enactment of meaningful anti-crime legislation.

Sincerely,


Mayor



THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

File: crime +
by
mayor

January 27, 1994

President Bill Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We, the mayors of eight of our country's largest cities, are writing to urge that your FY 1995 Budget, and the attendant four year budget estimate, reflect a commitment to fund 100,000 "police on the beat".

First, let us thank you for taking the initiative by purposing a plan to put more police on the street. We applaud that effort and want to convey several recommendations that we believe would improve upon this plan. The Crime Bill should authorize 100,000 fully funded new police officer positions for your "police on the beat" program.

We strongly support this level of funding on a per capita basis for major urban areas and we urge that each municipality be given sufficient flexibility to address its unique needs in areas such as training, equipment, and overtime provisions. Moreover, we feel that it is extremely important that your FY 1995 budget request support this level of funding. We urge that the funding for police be made a permanent part of the budget so that the additions to our forces remain permanent.

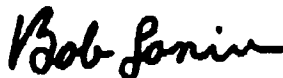
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We are also concerned about the local match requirements as currently proposed. We realize, however, the importance of getting more officers on the street and therefore pledge to work with your administration to resolve all of these issues in a manner that insures the ultimate success of this plan.

Sincerely,



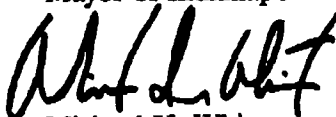
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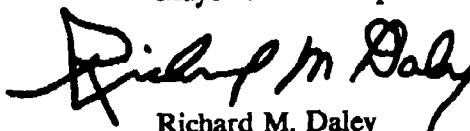
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