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Dear Jodi and Seymour:

Thank you for your letter about funding for Title X. I understand the concerns that prompted you to write.

As you know,
~~I am pleased to report that~~ in the fiscal 2000 budget negotiations, we secured an increase of almost \$25 million for Title X family planning -- the largest percentage increase since 1993 -- for a total of almost \$239 million. ~~The fiscal 2001 budget includes a proposal for \$274 million for Title X, the largest dollar increase since 1973.~~

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As we continue our work to ensure the health and safety of women across ~~the~~ ^{our} country and overseas, I will keep your ~~concerns~~ ^{thoughts} in mind. Best wishes.

Sincerely,

BC/JHC/DDA/pfs (Corres. #7125008)
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THIS REQUIRES
A DIFFERENT
RESPONSE from Feldt --
they're concerned with
Title X primarily, which
is a domestic, not inter-
national, issue.

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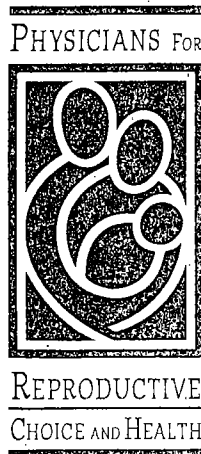
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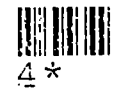
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Going to March meeting?

April 6, 1999



Dear President Clinton:

On behalf of *Physicians for Reproductive Choice and Health*SM, a national, physician-led, not for profit representing nearly 2000 physicians and more than 1200 non-physician supporters, thank you for your strong support of the Title X family planning program during the FY 2000 budget process. We were very pleased with the \$24 million increase in funding for the domestic family planning program contained in the omnibus spending bill—only \$1 million short of your budget request and the largest dollar increase for the program in the past two decades. We are looking to the Administration to continue this support for American women in need of subsidized family planning services by recommending a funding level of \$300 million for the Title X program in your FY 2001 budget.

As you know, the Title X family planning program has been a vital part of the health care safety net for nearly 30 years. By funding comprehensive, voluntary family planning services at more than 4,500 clinics nationwide, the Title X program ensures that 4.3 million low-income women have access to affordable contraceptives and related preventive health services. Over the years, the Title X program has had a tremendous impact on reducing rates of unintended pregnancy and abortion, as well as improving maternal and child health. Primary care services provided by clinics receiving Title X funds range from contraceptive supplies and services, to breast and cervical cancer screening, to anemia testing and STD/HIV screening.

The funding increase included in the FY 2000 funding bill is a critical down-payment that will help the program meet increasing service costs that hamper its ability to provide high quality contraceptive care to all those in need. New technologies, including longer-lasting and more effective methods of contraception (Depo-Provera and Norplant), as well as improved Pap technologies, have the potential to expand the health care options of women served by Title X clinics, but still remain out of the reach of many Title X providers. Similarly, with rates of chlamydia skyrocketing, many family planning providers would like to routinely offer newly-approved screening tests for chlamydia and other sexually transmitted diseases, but find it financially prohibitive to do so. At the same time, many Title X clinics are struggling financially to serve increasing numbers of uninsured women who often have no other source of affordable contraceptive care.

Recently, your Administration announced its intention to request a significant increase in funding for international family planning. We applaud your leadership in this area. Similarly, we look to the Administration to recommit itself to supporting American women in need of subsidized family planning services by recommending a program increase of \$60 million over the FY 2000 funding level for the Title X

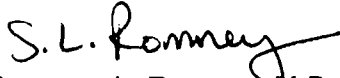
family planning program. Indeed, maintaining your critical financial support for the program will not only help the program meet these increasing costs, but will help to make further progress in the fights against unintended pregnancy—including teenage pregnancy—while reducing the need for abortion and improving the health of women and children. Increased funding will not only provide Title X clinics with the resources they need to offer a full range of contraceptive services and counseling, but also to serve hard to reach populations of women and to provide more comprehensive HIV-related services to a segment of women who are increasingly at risk for contracting the disease.

It is only through your continued support that it will be possible to capitalize on the important gains of this past year. Again, thank you for your ongoing leadership on family planning issues. We look forward to working with you in the coming year.

Physicians for Reproductive Choice and HealthSM's mission is to enable concerned physicians to take a more active and visible role in support of universal reproductive health. PRCH is dedicated to ensuring that all people have the knowledge, equal access to quality services and freedom of choice to make their own reproductive health care decisions. We believe that every pregnancy should be a wanted pregnancy.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Tina Boyer, Public Affairs and Media Relations Manager, at 212-765-2322 ext. 15.

Sincerely,



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