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* Delano Warrenfeltz, a carpenter from Callas (contractor working on the air conditioning system in the White House), passed away this morning at GW hospital.

* Warrenfeltz was from Hagerstown, Maryland.

* He came into work this morning and felt ill. He left and collapsed outside of the SE Gate at approximately 7:30 a.m.. The Medical Unit responded, but never got a pulse. An ambulance was called and Warrenfeltz was taken to GW Hospital.

* GW is handling questions and has notified the immediate family.

* The cause of death is unknown.

* He was 63 years old.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

Hillary and I were deeply saddened to learn of the death last night of Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, the Archbishop of Chicago, one of our nation's most beloved men and one of Catholicism's great leaders.

Hillary and I loved and admired Cardinal Bernardin very much. In my conversation with him yesterday, I had the opportunity to remind Cardinal Bernardin of our deep feeling for him and of our admiration for his life's work. I am grateful today that I had that opportunity. Our conversation reminded me of the strength, grace and dignity with which he lived his life on Earth and with which he prepared to leave this life for the next.

Throughout his life, Cardinal Bernardin devoted himself to bringing out the best in humanity and to bringing together those who were divided. He fought tirelessly against social injustice, poverty and ignorance. As I said in September when I had the honor of presenting Cardinal Bernardin with the Medal of Freedom, Cardinal Bernardin was both a remarkable man of God and a man of the people.

Both in life and in death, he taught us the important lessons of community, caring and common ground. To quote the Archbishop himself from one of his last public appearances on October 24 of this year: "A dying person does not have time for the peripheral or the accidental. He or she is drawn to the essential, the important. And what is important is that we find that unity with the Lord and within the community of faith for which Jesus prayed so fervently on the night before he died. To say it quite boldly, it is wrong to waste the precious gift of time given to us on acrimony and division."

Death of Ed Gould

Ed Gould, a member of the President's Council on HIV/AIDS, died last weekend in California. It is unclear how he died; the local coroner's office is looking into the matter.

Mr. Gould was a well-known philanthropist, businessman and a strong supporter of the President. He worked tirelessly on behalf of AIDS patients and contributed both time and money in the effort to find a cure for the disease.

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