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October 22, 1993

The Honorable J. M. Johnson
Mayor of Hoxie
400 Southwest Hartigan
Hoxie, Arkansas 72433

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Dear Mayor Johnson:

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I appreciate your interest in maintaining a strong Section 8 Housing Assistance Program.

Sincerely,

BILL CLINTON

BC/PDS/JB/emu

(Corres. #813342)

cc: IGA, Rm. 106

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August 19, 1993

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Larry Forrester	Zack Lawhon
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July 1, 1993

President Bill Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

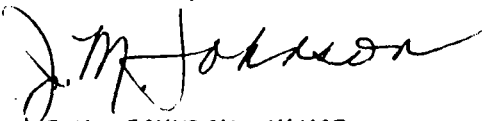
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WE ARE PROUD OF OUR PROGRAM AND WANT TO SEE IT CONTINUE. A DECREASE IN THE FAIR MARKET RENTS WOULD BE DEVASTATING TO THIS PROGRAM.

I ASK THAT YOU OPPOSE THE PROPOSED FAIR MARKET RENTS FOR THIS AREA.

SINCERELY,



J.M. JOHNSON, MAYOR
HOXIE, ARKANSAS

October 22, 1993

Mr. Sam Ermolenko
Cerritos, California

Dear Sam:

I am delighted to congratulate you on winning both the Individual World Speedway Motorcycle Championship and the United States National Championship.

As only the second American to win both of these coveted prizes, you bring great credit to the sport of motorcycle racing and to our nation. I commend you for your spirit of determination and your dedication to excellence. Through your skills you have shown that you truly understand the value of hard work and commitment. You stand as an inspiration for others.

Best wishes for every future success.

Sincerely,

BILL CLINTON ★

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Mr. Jeffrey Immediato
Newport Entertainment
600 Narcissus
Newport Beach, California 92625

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Individual World
Speedway
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Mr. Allen McReynolds
Office of Correspondence
Presidential Elect Transition Office
1120 Vermont Avenue NW
Washington D.C. 20270

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September 3, 1993

Dear Mr. McReynolds,

On August 29, 1993 a young American stepped up on the podium in Germany to claim a honor for his family, his friends and his country.

Sam Ermolenko became only the third American (Jack Milne 1937, Bruce Penhall 1981 and 1982) to win the coveted Individual World Speedway Motorcycle Championship.

We would like to present Sam Ermolenko a letter from Mr. and Mrs Clinton at the United States National Championship like President Roosevelt did in 1937 and President Reagan did for Bruce Penhall in 81 & 82 !

We are requesting with greatest respect and admiration, a letter and photo from President Clinton for recognition of this honor that Sam brought to America last month.

We will need this letter (or telegram if timing is a problem) as soon as possible, preferably by September 24th. For any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at anytime, day or night. For your convenience, my direct line is 714 640-9378, Pager 714 294-2946 and office is 714 379-3556. Please address letter to Sam Ermolenko and send it here due to the fact that Sam will not return from Europe until the day before the Nationals.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Immediato

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NEWPORT ENTERTAINMENT

Linda Rathbone
Administrative Assistant
Office of Correspondence
Presidential Elect Transition Office
1120 Vermont Avenue NW
Washington D.C. 20270

September 3, 1993

Dear Linda,

Enclosed is a copy of a letter I sent to Allen McReynolds, I hope that they are able to get us a Presidential letter by September 24th so that we may present this to Sam at the United States National Championships on October 2, 1993 at Costa Mesa, California.

Thank you for your help !

Jeffrey Immediato

October 22, 1993

The Honorable Michael R. White
Mayor of Cleveland
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Dear Mike:

Thank you so much for your kind letter. Please excuse my delay in responding. I really appreciated the warm welcome you extended to me on my last trip to Cleveland. The decent and generous people of your wonderful city make me feel at home whenever I visit.

I want you to know how impressed I was with the Church Square project. This undertaking presents a first-rate example of what the public and private sectors can do when they work together to invest in people. The similar projects springing up across the city are breathing new life into many communities. I understand that, after talking with you, Stanley Sheinbaum has helped spread word of the Church Square project to Mayor Riordan in Los Angeles, who is interested in its approach. You and your fellow Cleveland citizens can be proud that your city is serving as an inspiration for renewal across the country.

I certainly agree with you that such projects can be used effectively on a national scale. I also agree that the aggressive use of Empowerment Zones, Community Development Banks, and Urban Development Action Grants can restore our urban centers as wellsprings for economic revitalization. It is my belief that, through such an approach, we can give cities the power to help themselves, and I assure you that we will support these important programs to the extent that budget constraints will allow.

Thank you again for writing. Best wishes for every success.

Sincerely,

BILL CLINTON *A*

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cc: Marcia Hale
cc: Seth Masket, Rm 93

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 22, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR MARCIA HALE

FROM: JAMES DORSKIND *JAD*
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CORRESPONDENCE
AND PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES

SUBJECT: Letter to Mayor White, as we discussed

I attach for your review a draft of the letter that you and I discussed earlier this week, along with a copy of the incoming for your information. Could you please review the draft this morning and let me know if it is okay?

Thank you very much.

October 20, 1993

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City of Cleveland

MICHAEL R. WHITE, MAYOR

September 9, 1993

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

Dear President Clinton:

I want to personally thank you for coming to Cleveland to explain to and educate the American people on the need to reinvent government to make it more responsive to the needs of our nation.

Cleveland in many ways reflects the problems and challenges we face as a nation. At one level we have been very successful and have received many accolades for our achievements in revitalizing our city. The Church Square project directly illustrates what can happen when concerted efforts are undertaken to combine land, capital and human resources toward creating economic opportunities in urban areas. More than \$26.5 million is being invested in the first new major mixed-use development in this neighborhood in decades. Residents will benefit directly from the lower retail costs at the center and the 250 permanent jobs created by this development.

The Church Square experience is being duplicated at dozens of other sites throughout the city.

As you know, Mr. President, the most critical need facing Americans is the ability to provide job opportunities for our disadvantaged and chronically unemployed residents and, in particular, minority residents. While the nation's unemployment rate is currently at 6.7%, the City of Cleveland's rate is at 14% -- and in some areas of the city the figure is three times that rate.

The strategy to reverse this unacceptable level of unemployment must focus on re-creating centers of economic activity in our cities. Central to this effort is assembling land, mobilizing capital and linking the jobs being created with job readiness training programs.

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Urban areas are characterized by abandoned, often contaminated, absentee owned properties. The Land Bank program is one tool we have used to reclaim such land. However, this program is not enough. The federal government must be a partner in assembling capital used to purchase land, demolish outdated structures, and environmentally clean these sites. This would allow us to compete aggressively with suburban and exurban greenfield sites which are luring investment out of our central cities and away from areas where job creation is most essential. Without this assistance, the cities of America will never be truly competitive with their suburban counterparts.

As we have noted, our true measure of success will not be measured by our ability to assemble land or mobilize capital, but by our ability to create jobs for our residents who are most in need. We must foster methods to mold our anti-poverty and economic development efforts into a comprehensive self-help jobs strategy. I recommend very strongly that your community service initiative be expanded to provide meaningful employment and on the job training opportunities for inner-city residents who are currently on public assistance or are unemployed. There is a growing wealth of opportunities being created within our public education system and our non-profit communities such as local development corporations, hospitals, and churches which can be engaged in small business stimulation and meaningful public work.

Until we aggressively attack the root causes of poverty and all of its accompanying horrors, we will never tap into the full potential that lies in our urban areas. Central to our revitalization effort is our ability to mobilize private capital in our economic stimulus efforts. The City of Cleveland has negotiated new CRA initiatives with four local banks which will produce \$500 million in new investment in this community over the next four years. These investments are moving forward ahead of schedule. Not only are they benefiting our neighborhoods, but the banks are realizing a profit.

The City of Cleveland will aggressively seek designation as an Empowerment Zone. We have demonstrated our ability to successfully use our resources and talents to create programs to address our economic development needs. This process would be significantly accelerated by an Empowerment Zone designation.

We also applaud your efforts to create a source of seed capital for local Community Development Banks. The City of Cleveland has been working with South Shore Bank to create a new banking subsidiary here in Cleveland. The ability to secure matching federal funds is critical to our ability to capitalize our development bank proposal.

As you know, one of the most creative urban programs was the Urban Development Action Grants (UDAG). We recognize that the Department of Housing and Urban Development is exploring alternatives for the use of remaining UDAG funds. We have a significant number of projects which could go forward immediately if a new source

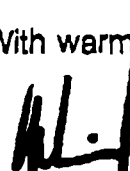
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of funds could be identified through the Department of Housing and Urban Development or alternative sources. We are providing Secretary Cisneros with a briefing on these projects.

Mr. President, the future of the City of Cleveland is at a critical junction. The residents of this City as well as other cities throughout this state and the nation share in your vision of re-establishing cities at the center of economic revitalization. If cities and urban areas are ignored, as they were for the twelve years prior to your administration the ability of our nation to compete globally will be irreparably harmed. The consequence of unchecked poverty, property abandonment and social alienation common to cities will not be stopped at municipal boundaries.

The residents of our City clearly did not vote to maintain the status quo. We look forward to working with you to reinvent government at all levels and to place the American dream again within the grasp of urban dwellers.

With warmest regards,



Michael R. White
Mayor

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He is coming back to my hometown

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Date 10/22/93

To Marcia Hale

FAX Number 6220

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From Jim Dorskind x7610

October 22, 1993

Mr. Lynn E. Johnson
Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist
Anthony J. Cellebreeze Federal Building
1240 East Ninth Street
Cleveland, Ohio 44199

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Best wishes for continuing success.

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BILL CLINTON *A*

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THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON

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Marsha Scott

ORGANIZATION:

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Heyward Bannister, White House Liaison (202-535-8658)

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THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
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September 20, 1993

MEMO TO: Marsha Scott
Director, White House Correspondence

FROM: Heyward Bannister *HB*
White House Liaison

SUBJ: Presidential Message Request

Secretary Brown is requesting a presidential message for Mr. Lynn E. Johnson, this year's recipient of the Olin E. Teague award. The Olin E. Teague award is presented annually to a VA employee who significantly improved the lives of war injured veterans. It is VA's highest honor in the field of rehabilitation.

It would be most appreciated if the Presidential message could be ready for pickup by Friday, October 22, 1993, so we can have it framed. We would like to present this message to Mr. Johnson at a ceremony scheduled for Thursday, October 28, 1993.

For your convenience, a draft letter is attached for your use. If you need additional information, please let me know.

Mr. Johnson would greatly treasure a letter signed by President Clinton. I appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Attachment

T H E W H I T E H O U S E

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America is strong, proud, and free because of our veterans. Veterans have earned our respect and gratitude. Your initiative in response to the needs of disabled veterans and your strong commitment exemplify Federal service.

Again, congratulations Mr. Johnson. Best wishes for your continued success.

Bill Clinton