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**Congress
of the
United States
House of Representatives**

**H. MARTIN LANCASTER
NORTH CAROLINA
THIRD DISTRICT**



June 16, 1994

Ms. J. Veronica Biggins
Office of Personnel
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Biggins:

I currently serve on the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy. If the President has not already done so, he needs to immediately focus on replacing Bush administration appointees to the Board of Visitors. At the present time, every member of that Board is male, white, and over fifty years of age.

In line with the President's commitment to greater diversity on Boards and Commissions, I would like to submit the name of Gene D. Thomas for his consideration for appointment to the Board of Visitors.

Gene is a longtime friend of mine, having previously served as Director of Planning in the city of Goldsboro. He has recently become Deputy Executive Director of the Goldsboro Housing Authority. As a leader in the town of Goldsboro, he has interfaced with the Air Force leadership at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base which is located there. He has been an important link between City Hall and Base leadership and has worked closely with other civilian supporters of the Air Force in the community.

Gene is an African-American, forty-one years old, the father of three young sons, and active in St. Mary's Catholic Church and many civic endeavors. He is also an active Democrat, and a strong supporter of mine. He is bright, articulate, hard-working, and just the kind of person we need to bring a new perspective to the Board of Visitors. I strongly recommend him for this position.

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Should you wish to discuss Gene with me further, please give me a call. In the meantime, I hope you will push for an early appointment of these replacements. We do not need the current membership to carry over beyond their current terms!

With kindest regards.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Martin Lancaster', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

H. Martin Lancaster
Member of Congress

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cc: The President
The White House

Mrs. Hilary Rodham Clinton
The White House

Mr. Mack McLarty
Chief of Staff

Mr. Phil Lader
Deputy Chief of Staff

The Honorable Sheila E. Widnall
Secretary of the Air Force

THE WHITE HOUSE

March 2, 1994

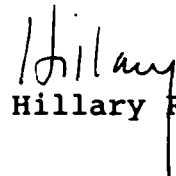
Hon. H. Martin Lancaster
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Martin:

Others may be confused, but I know
which Lancaster is which. Thanks for
writing!

With appreciation and regards, I
remain

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

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NORTH CAROLINA
THIRD DISTRICT



February 2, 1994

Ms. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Hillary:

As the only Lancaster in Congress, I received some calls about this from the press yesterday. I just wanted you to be sure that I'm not that Lancaster.

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SEC Asked to Seek Data on Fund Used By Hillary Clinton

2-1-94

By CHRISTI HARLAN

Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

WASHINGTON—Three House Republicans asked the Securities and Exchange Commission for information about Hillary Rodham Clinton's holdings in an investment fund that sold short several health-care stocks early last year.

Mrs. Clinton's holdings in ValuePartners I became public knowledge in May 1993 when she and President Clinton filed federal forms disclosing a variety of investments. Mrs. Clinton has been a limited partner since 1986 in ValuePartners I, a hedge fund managed by Smith Capital Management of Little Rock, Ark.

Hedge funds are among the most aggressive investment pools because they can buy stocks with borrowed money and can sell stocks short — that is, borrow shares and sell them at current prices in anticipation of replacing them at lower prices. Health-care stocks were among the stocks sold short by ValuePartners I last year, when many health-care stocks were falling in value because of the uncertainty about the impending recommendations of the presidential task force on health-care reform, headed by Mrs. Clinton.

In a letter to SEC Chairman Arthur Levitt, Reps. Bob Lancaster of Louisiana, Christopher Cox of California and George Gekas of Pennsylvania asked for information about Smith Capital Management and trading in the hedge fund in the time between President Clinton's election and the transfer of the fund and other Clinton assets to a blind trust in July.

"Both the President and Mrs. Clinton would certainly be aware of the impact on the market of their statements about the Administration's health care proposals," the Republican representatives wrote to Mr. Levitt last week. "The ability of the President and Mrs. Clinton to affect prices in the securities markets is unique. The questions already raised publicly concerning their investments, particularly short sales, must be addressed."

SEC officials said they are reviewing the letter but wouldn't comment further.

Separately, Senate Banking Committee Chairman Donald Riegle again rejected Republican requests for a hearing on the Clintons' Arkansas real-estate investment. The Michigan Democrat said he wouldn't consider committee activity until special counsel Robert Fiske Jr. has completed his investigation of Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan and Whitewater Development Corp.

Sen. Alfonse D'Amato of New York and seven of his fellow Republicans on the Banking Committee have asked for hearings on the Clintons' investment in Whitewater with the former chairman of Madison Guaranty.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

March 21, 1994

The Honorable H. Martin Lancaster
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Lancaster:

Thank you for sending a copy of your health care newsletter and the results of the questionnaire on health care reform. I was especially glad to see that 71% of your constituents who responded favor a change in the health care system and a comprehensive package of benefits for all Americans.

I look forward to continuing to work with you to pass health care legislation that we can both strongly support.

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

Congress
of the
United States
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March 2, 1994

H. MARTIN LANCASTER
NORTH CAROLINA
THIRD DISTRICT



Ms. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

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Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I thought that you might be interested in seeing a copy of the health care newsletter I did for my constituents in December, and the results of the questionnaire which was included. The results will be printed in my next newsletter which is now in the works.

As we both know, the only thing on which consensus now exists is that something needs to be done. I remain committed to working for reform to make America healthier, but doing so in a way that does not make my district sick!

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

H. Martin Lancaster
Member of Congress

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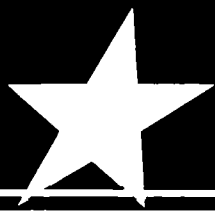
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Congressman Martin
Lancaster

WASHINGTON REPORT



103rd Congress

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AGENDA FOR 2ND SESSION

Reforms: Crime, Health, Welfare, Campaign

The first session of the 103rd Congress saw laws enacted on the budget, trade and social policy, and the battles were joined over remaking the health - care system, welfare reform and financing political campaigns, but the big job remains to be done during the second session.

Priorities will include enacting laws to implement health care reform, actually accomplishing some form of campaign finance reform, getting a respectable start on welfare reform and, at long last, producing an omnibus crime bill that will effectively deal with the epidemic of lawlessness and violence in our land.

The work of Congress will take place against a backdrop of looming midterm elections, an administration handicapped

by suspicions of financial improprieties and serious questions about competence in the foreign policy arena. The back-drop is also likely to include some cheerier vistas: The economy seems to be on the upswing again, and while pending elections often dampen Congress' ambition to pass legislation, there are strong indications that the public wants strong legislation on health care reform, the balanced federal budget issue, campaign reform, welfare reform and crime issues.

The annual budget debate began on Feb. 7, and the battle over how much austerity the public wants has started anew. The defeated Penny-Kasich Bill, which Congressman Lancaster supported, was an attempt to fulfill the promise of more

cuts in addition to those contained in the Administration's deficit reduction package.

Congress' plate is piled with new initiatives as well as old business that must be dealt with. These include bills under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, of which Congressman Lancaster is a member. Most important to the Third District among these bills is the reauthorization of the Magnuson Act which is the federal law that controls the use and management of all fisheries in U.S. waters extending outward through the 200 mile Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ). In addition to providing for management of sustainable fisheries, the act reserves the zone for U.S. fishermen.

Lancaster Continues Full-court Press against Leaf Tax

Congressman Martin Lancaster introduced officials of "Friends of Tobacco" to House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Dan Rostenkowski during a day-long rally on Capitol Hill and served as moderator for a session on the proposed increase in the federal tax on tobacco to fund the Clinton health care reform package.

The "Friends of Tobacco" visited Capitol Hill to urge individual members of Congress to oppose the higher tax on tobacco products. After a rally on the steps of the U.S. Capitol the members of the group spread out through the halls of Congress to lobby members from non-tobacco producing states and ask for fairness in taxation.

Despite the Clinton Administration proposal to finance health care reform with a 75-cent per pack increase in the federal excise tax, it will be

Rostenkowski's Ways and Means Committee which will have the first say on any tax.

The powerful chairman made no commitment to the tobacco delegation, but he promised that his committee would be fair, and he agreed that taxation should not be the means of destroying the to-

product to finance health care reform. Chairman Rostenkowski indicated he is already familiar with the effects that over-taxing can have on any commodity or product.

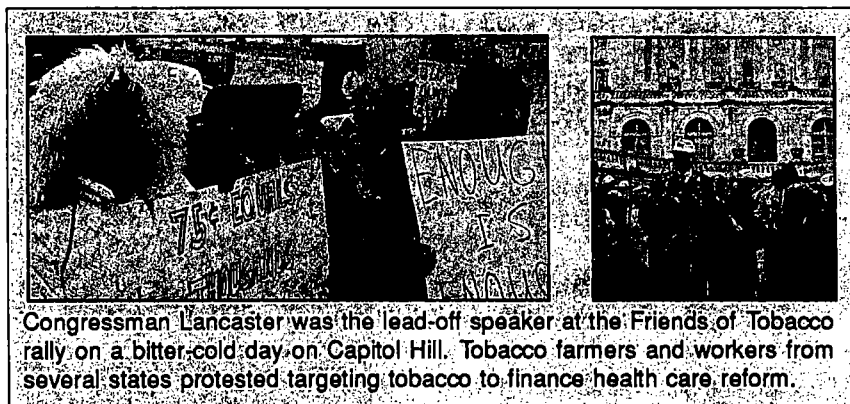
Lancaster was the first speaker to address the rally on the Capitol steps, and he set the tone for other speakers from

the North Carolina delegation and members of Congress from other tobacco states. He suggested that the farmers, warehousemen and tobacco company employees and their families make other friends of tobacco.

"We are beset on all sides by enemies who

do not understand that we produce a legal product that is used by adults who choose to use it. There are only 37 members of Congress who represent districts with significant tobacco quotas, and we need all the friends we can get."

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Congressman Lancaster was the lead-off speaker at the Friends of Tobacco rally on a bitter cold day on Capitol Hill. Tobacco farmers and workers from several states protested targeting tobacco to finance health care reform.

bacco economies of North Carolina and several other southeastern states.

Friends of Tobacco Chairman Dean Rouse of Seven Springs thanked Rostenkowski for his previous statements to the media that fairness will be the standard in taxation of tobacco and any other

cc: Melanne, Shirley

original to HRC
very strong letter

July 19, 1993

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H. MARTIN LANCASTER
NORTH CAROLINA
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Ms. Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

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I have made universal health care my top priority for more than four years, long before it became a Clinton national priority. When other Members of Congress held one "town meeting" on health care last summer, I held seven. Four years ago, I held the first Rural Health Care Conference in any congressional district and began focusing the attention of my constituents on the need for health care reform at that time. It will break my heart to do so, but please know that I will do everything in my power to defeat a health care reform package which singles out tobacco for a confiscatory tax and does not fairly spread the burden, at least to alcohol of all types.

Let me assure you and Dr. Magaziner that at least in the perception of my constituents, alcohol creates as many health problems as tobacco. Not only do people have health care problems as a result of personal consumption, but alcohol also leads to injuries of third parties. Tobacco does not cause the injuries from spouse abuse, child abuse, automobile accidents, etc. that alcohol does.

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I believe that the tone of this letter will indicate just how seriously I consider this matter, but just in case it is not coming through, there is not a more important issue for my constituents and for my future political success than this one. Please take that into account as you finalize this plan.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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H. Martin Lancaster
Member of Congress

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cc: The Honorable Richard Riley
Mr. Mack McClarty
Dr. Ira Magaziner

*cc: Melanne
Patti*

**Congress
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House of Representatives**

August 5, 1993

**H. MARTIN LANCASTER
NORTH CAROLINA
THIRD DISTRICT**



Ms. Pam Barnett
Office of the First Lady
West Wing
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Barnett:

In discussing my vote on Reconciliation with Mrs. Clinton, I mentioned to her that I had received the enclosed letter asking for an audience with the First Lady. A group of farm women from my district would like to meet with Mrs. Clinton to discuss the impact of a significant tobacco tax on their lives and livelihood. Mrs. Clinton indicated that if I would communicate directly with you that you would do your best to find a time in her schedule when this group could come up. Once you have found a time, please call me. Should I be in North Carolina and unavailable, please ask for my Administrative Assistant, Ed Welch.

I sincerely appreciate your scheduling this group for me.

Sincerely,

H. Martin Lancaster
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Member of Congress

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dealing with this
by phone
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THE WHITE HOUSE

November 5, 1993

Hon. H. Martin Lancaster
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Lancaster:

Thank you for your letter and for the materials you sent to me. I appreciate your honesty and commitment to your constituents and look forward to future discussions.

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

Please deliver
to the First
Lady.

Thank,
Martin

cc: Melanne
Chris

**Congress
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October 6, 1993

H. MARTIN LANCASTER
NORTH CAROLINA
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Mrs. Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Hillary:

Knowing how busy you are, you probably did not have a chance to see the Op Ed piece in Thursday's Washington Post, therefore, I enclose a copy for you. Once again, please allow me to make the fairness argument with you that I have made in the past and that I make in this article.

From talking with you, I got the impression that the reason you did not include any tax on alcohol was the lack of support for that tax. I enclose the CBS/New York Times poll of September 16-19 which clearly shows that that is not the case. Among the American people, there is even stronger support for increased taxes on liquor than on tobacco products. I sincerely hope that you will change your position before any final plan is submitted to Congress, and out of fairness, share the burden of taxation by hitting alcohol, too.

I understand that on Thursday, you indicated your support for taxes on guns to help support health care reform. Surely, if you are willing to take on the gun lobby, you should be willing to take on the alcohol lobby and have them pay their share, too.

With kindest regards, I am

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February 23, 1993

Dear Representative Lancaster:

I appreciate your letter recommending Dr. Takey Crist to assist the health care reform task force.

Dr. Crist clearly has impressive credentials. Unfortunately, we are fully staffed at this time. We would, however, be eager to receive any recommendations he might have regarding the direction of our work. Please feel free to suggest that he write to us with his suggestions.

Thank you for calling Dr. Crist to our attention. I look forward to working with you on the important issue of health care reform.

Sincerely,

The Honorable H. Martin Lancaster
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

THE WHITE HOUSE

May 12, 1993

Honorable H. Martin Lancaster
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Martin:

Thank you for forwarding Mr. Paul Hackmann's thoughtful letter. I share his concerns about the health care needs of people with disabilities. I forwarded his letter to the working group of the Task Force studying this issue and asked that it be given every consideration.

Again, thank you for contacting me.

Sincerely yours,

Hillary

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May 27, 1993

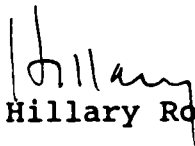
The Honorable H. Martin Lancaster
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Washington D.C. 20515

Dear Martin:

Thank you for sharing your positions on the health care issues that are fundamental to the President's national health care reform package. I share your belief that the plan must emphasize the importance of preventive and primary care to our nation's health. Additionally, there is no question that home health care is a more cost-effective and preferable option to institutional care.

I am pleased to know that you support these measures, and I am looking forward to discussing the program with you in the near future.

Sincerely,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

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cc: Melanne, Shirley

HRC spoke to Lancaster for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour
on this. No need for letter

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