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Honorable Harlan Mathews
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

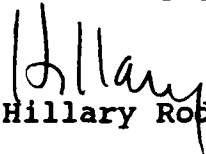
Dear Senator Mathews:

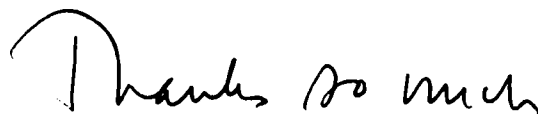
On behalf of the President, I want to express my deep gratitude for your co-sponsorship of the Health Security Act. Your action reflects an unswerving commitment to ensuring health security for all Americans.

We are grateful for your contribution to this historic effort and for your invaluable advice. We look forward to working with you in the weeks and months ahead to make health care reform a reality. Your leadership will be critical to passage in this Congress.

With appreciation and respect, I am

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton





To Patsy Mathew with thanks for all your support
and best wishes - Hillary Rodham Clinton

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 16, 1993

Honorable Harlan Mathews
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Senator Mathews:

Thank you for your letter in support of the invitation extended by the East Tennessee State University. Unfortunately, my schedule does not permit me to take part in every event that I would like to attend. If I am able to take part in this worthwhile event, I will contact Mr. Roy Nicks directly.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hillary", written in a cursive style.

Hillary Rodham Clinton

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August 18, 1993

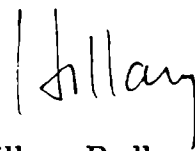
Honorable Harlan Matthews
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Senator Matthews:

Thank you for your letter in support of the invitation extended by Cumberland University for a conference on rural health care. Unfortunately, my schedule does not permit me to take part in every event that I would like to attend. If I am able to take part in this worthwhile event, I will contact Dr. Robert Bone directly.

Again, thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hillary".

Hillary Rodham Clinton

HARLAN MATHEWS
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United States Senate

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March 4, 1993

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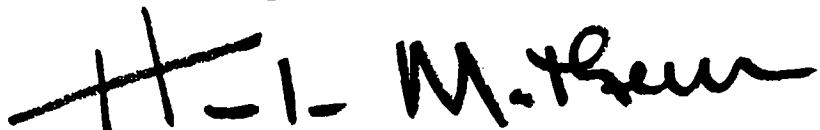
Dear Mrs. Clinton:

You and Mrs. Gore have received an invitation from Dr. Robert C. Bone, Chairman of the Cumberland University Board of Trust and Dr. Ray Phillips, President of the college, to utilize the campus of Cumberland University for a conference on rural health care. Enclosed is a copy of that invitation.

As the Head of the Health Care Task Force, I hope you will seriously consider this invitation as you set your agenda. Tennessee, in addition to hosting some of the best health care centers in the nation, also has a significant rural population. This issue is important to the people of Tennessee and the nation.

It would be on honor for Tennessee to host a Rural Healthcare Forum for you.

Sincerely,



Harlan Mathews
United States Senator

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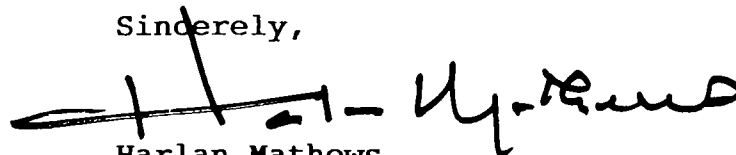
Dear Mrs. Clinton:

As you complete work on the President's health care proposal, I understand that you will be scheduling briefings around the country to explain the proposal and discuss implementation.

I have been contacted by Ms. Pat Ball, Vice President of Strategic Development with St. Thomas Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee. The staff at St. Thomas is very interested in participating in one of these briefings, whether in Nashville or a nearby city. St. Thomas is a respected hospital in the middle Tennessee area and wants to be a leader in the effort to promote responsible reform efforts. I would appreciate your notifying Ms. Ball of the briefing which may be most convenient for her co-workers. She can be reached c/o St. Thomas Hospital, P.O. Box 380, Nashville, Tennessee, 37205; (615) 386-6629.

Your attention to this request is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,



Harlan Mathews
United States Senator

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xc: Ms. Pat Ball

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September 27, 1993

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
Office of The First Lady
Room 100
The Old Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20501


Dear Mrs. Clinton:

As the health care effort moves into full swing, I would like to take the opportunity to share with you a letter recently sent to me by Dr. Fred Hurst of Knoxville, Tennessee. Fred has been a friend to many in Tennessee and I can assure you his offer of assistance is genuine.

Fred has been appointed by Governor McWherter to numerous health-related state boards and has served with honor and dignity. If there is any position which could utilize his talents, I would like to commend him to your attention.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Harlan Mathews
United States Senator

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Enclosure

For files.

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Honorable Harlan Mathews
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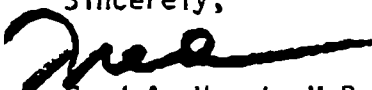
Dear Senator:

Wasn't the President's speech tonight wonderful!! I certainly agree with his efforts and most all of his specifics. This is indeed a bold, courageous, and much-needed undertaking.

I want to offer my expertise as a family physician, providing primary care for the past twenty years, in any way to the President and Vice President that I may be utilized. Please forward my availability and offer to them.

I hope to see you soon. Every good personal wish for continued success.

Sincerely,


Fred A. Hurst, M.D.

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Reye syndrome still concern if giving aspirin to children

Giving aspirin to a sick child is a "no-no."

This marvelous drug, which can reduce inflammation and fever and pain while remaining the most affordable of drugs, is unfortunately known to be associated with the development of a severe illness in some children.

First described only 30 years ago, Reye syndrome remains rare and continues to affect children between the ages of 1 and 16 years most frequently. It is serious and has potential to be fatal (originally 40 percent of the cases were, but now about 10 percent are).

Because of that and because of the known association between a preceding viral illness such as influenza, the common cold or chicken pox and the administration of aspirin to relieve pain and fever, children and adolescents should not be treated with this drug.

Reye syndrome typically develops several days after the symptoms of any of the above-mentioned viral infections have begun to wane.

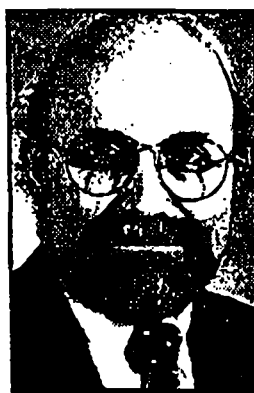
While the young patient appears to be "getting over" the effects of chicken pox, influenza or a respiratory virus, Reye syndrome can present the development of severe nausea, vomiting and weakness. These symptoms are soon followed by changes in behavior, mental alertness, personality traits and thinking and reasoning ability.

Reye syndrome mainly affects two bodily systems — the brain and the liver. Tenderness and vague pain may develop in the upper, right side of the abdomen as the liver becomes swollen from the disease process that occurs in Reye syndrome. The normal structure of the liver is destroyed to varying degrees, resulting in liver failure.

As a result of these changes in condition, severe abnormalities in the blood's chemistry occur. Elec-

trolyte disturbances, lowered blood glucose levels and increased acidity of the blood usually occur.

As the syndrome (meaning a group of symptoms) progresses, increasing stupor, confusion, somnolence, seizures and decreased ability to respond occur.



DR. FRED HURST

Healthy thoughts

The brain, like the liver, may swell and produce increased pressure within the skull, which can threaten survival.

Because of the association of a previous viral infection with the administration of aspirin (for any aspirin-containing compound or "cold formula") during this infection, Reye syndrome can be avoided by strictly avoiding giving aspirin to your youngsters.

While the exact relationship between the two is not understood completely, the existence of such a cause and effect is overwhelmingly believed to be present.

Treatment of this life-threatening syndrome begins with early detection, hospitalization, support of normal blood electrolyte levels, reduction of swelling within the brain, control of blood acid content and management of associated complications. Varying degrees of permanent brain and liver damage may persist.

Drugs similar to acetaminophen and ibuprofen can be used in place of aspirin for fever and pain of viral infections.

Dr. Hurst will answer readers' questions in his column. Address mail to him at his office, 4117 E. Emory Road, Knoxville, TN 37938.

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