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EDUCATION

2432 Bagley Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90034

February 4, 1993

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

Congratulations to you and to the President for inspiring a growing number of Americans to feel that their efforts can make a difference. I have never written to a public figure before, but now I believe that there are people in Washington who will listen. The subject on my mind today is public education.

The recent shootings at Fairfax High School, only a few miles from our home, received national media attention. When many of my friends attended Fairfax High in the mid-1960's, the school was known for academic excellence, fostered by moderate-income parents who stressed the importance of a quality education. Now, with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) in financial crisis and faced with the threat of a prolonged teachers' strike, parents with the ability to move out of the LAUSD or enroll their children in private school are probably scrambling to do so.

I have seen first-hand the dilemma some of these parents face. I am a CPA who decided to leave a major accounting firm after 16 years to "reinvent myself." For the past two years, I have been volunteering in the library of our local LAUSD elementary school. My husband and I were unable to have children, but we are very proud of "our" 650 kids, who represent a rainbow of races and cultures. Many of the other volunteers I have met are relatively affluent mothers who monitor their children's programs closely and stand ready to transfer their children to private school as soon as they see a problem developing. Other parent volunteers who cannot afford the private school option are feeling increasingly demoralized.

As more of these "involved" parents leave the public system, who will support the children who remain? A few of us will keep trying, but we cannot do it alone. And we HAVE to try. As the fires and riots of last April came within a mile of our home, I could only think: "People will try to run, but they cannot hide."

Now I would like to share a dream with you. What if there were a nationwide effort to transform public schools into community centers? Activities for children could include after-school and evening tutoring and help with homework. Adults could participate in evening education or retraining classes, with child care provided. Community residents could socialize in discussion groups. Even during the school day, the presence of more adults

assisting school personnel could make children feel more safe.

Many, if not all, of these activities could be run by volunteers from the community. With more direct community involvement, residents and business people who could afford to fund special school activities would probably be more inclined to do so, even if they did not have children in that school.

Of course, there are obstacles to such a dream. I would be very interested in your thoughts about how to overcome these obstacles if we were to try implementing a program at our school. The obstacles I have identified are:

1. **LEGAL LIABILITY.** I have been told that this is a roadblock to using the school library for after-school tutoring, but aren't there schools that do such tutoring now? There is also apparently a rule requiring a "certified teacher" to be present at all times. I realize that these concerns reflect a citizenry that would rather file lawsuits than accept a minimal degree of responsibility. However, fear of lawsuits is paralyzing a lot of innovation, and not just in schools. Maybe a committee of attorneys could volunteer to help us out of this quagmire that their colleagues have helped create.

2. **UNWILLINGNESS/INABILITY TO CONSIDER CHANGE.** You and the President are already experts on addressing this topic, and your fun is just beginning. How can we deal with a confrontational LAUSD bureaucracy whose main concern seems to be the racial balance of the school board rather than the specific problems of individual schools in a huge and diverse district? If our local group of schools tried to secede from the district, as another group is now attempting to do, we would be accused of abandoning the inner city, and lawsuits (of course!) would be filed. The teachers are suffering with huge pay cuts, and the principal is trying to balance the demands of teachers, district personnel, and parents. I believe the answer lies in empowering individual schools, but what can a "community volunteer" do?

3. **INVOLVED PARENTS ARE LEAVING THE PUBLIC SYSTEM.** I have already alluded to this problem. You know it well, having faced it with your own daughter. But what would it take to interest you in becoming involved at the public school your daughter would have attended? What about all the parents who work in various branches of government and send their children to private schools? What about non-parents who work in government? Could you foresee a time when there would be so much community involvement that some parents might transfer their children back to the public system?

I sincerely hope that time comes soon, especially in Los Angeles. We need future leaders who are comfortable with the racial, religious, cultural, and economic diversity present even now in our city. The diversity (but not the comfort) is exemplified in our 52 candidates for mayor. I believe that the public school system will be the best provider of that common ground, and I intend to keep

working in my own small way toward that dream.

Thank you for listening. The leadership and example that you and the President provide will, I hope, energize us all to help make things better.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Blish

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CHILDREN

Telephone: 903/593-0763

January 22, 1993

First Lady Hilary Clinton
The White House
Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

"Home Alone" is not a likelihood for your daughter for at least the next four years, but evidently, being home alone is a distinct reality for many children. I know that you and President Clinton have a priority on your agenda for children. I have a degree in Early Childhood and a keen interest in children, also. It seems with your great knowledge of the law, you may be able to draft some programs to help the children of America.

I have watched with great interest Katie Beers' plight as her mother and godmother fight over her. I have observed numerous husbands and wives make up stories to accommodate their pocketbook or hatred for their spouses with the result that the child is placed in the wrong environment after a divorce. It seems to me that a definition of when being left alone constitutes child abuse. It could indicate that the government may need to provide an alternative for children. Children need advocates - even if they are found through a volunteer system - to validate who is best to take care of the children in the event of a divorce court. Where neither parent is abusive, guardianship should be worked out so that either or both parents can take a child to the hospital, etc. It seems that the Judges under the present law do the legal thing, but not necessarily the right thing for the child. Could a child advocate go along with the child for a week and observe the relationship between the child and the father and the child and the mother? Possibly these child advocates could also check foster care. Maybe even the extended family could be scrutinized. I know that the social workers are summoned in abuse cases, but who speaks for the child in a divorce hearing? For instance, one parent promises a car to the older one and the younger one wants to stay with a brother so he chooses the same parent the older brother chooses. The other parent is probably the best choice, but the system listens to those trumped up charges and a child is misplaced forever. Sometimes a parent loses sight of the needs of the child in regard to college. Maybe there needs to be a representative for the child. If the parents can afford the legal help for the child, let them pay. But who really stands up for the child. I really don't necessarily think a lawyer is needed, but someone who can assess the educational, as well as, emotional needs.

I would love to work for children. I presently am an unemployed teacher. I have found it increasingly difficult to obtain a job since I returned to the work place after

20 years. I have always been interested in law, but law was not likely in the years when I graduated from college. [I would attend law school today if I won the lottery or something wild like that.] My college teaching job was terminated when the personnel department found out I was pregnant. Thanks to changes women do not have to worry about that today. It seems I have been just ahead of the changes throughout my life. I know I can contribute something to a program for children and I wanted to share my ideas with you since you are interested in speaking for children and have the legal mind to "Dream the Impossible Dream."

Sincerely yours,

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January 27, 1993

Ms. Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC

Dear Ms. Clinton:

I am writing this letter out of deep concern over an incident that has occurred in our District Court system. I have read many times in the newspaper of your work for child rights, and I hope that your interest in these issues continues. The incident that I am referring to deals with a custody case that I am now engaged in.

My wife passed away three months ago, and left me a seven year old step-daughter, Beth. My wife's previous marriage ended because of severe physical and sexual violence by her ex-husband. The divorce decree ordered that Beth's biological father only be granted supervised visits with Beth, and that he seek continued counseling for drug abuse (he is a heavy user of cocaine) and anger control, of which he has done neither. The supervised visits lasted only about three months in late 1991, then ceased because the supervisor was fearful of the father and because of his unwillingness to follow instructions in the best interest of the child. As of today, the biological father has not seen, nor had any contact with Beth for over thirteen months.

In December of 1992 a court proceeding occurred to establish a guardian for Beth. Based on the testimony given, Judge McGinn ordered temporary custody be granted to me. He also ordered that Beth's father begin supervised visits again to try to reestablish a relationship. The attorneys for both parties were to meet with Judge McGinn the following week to set up the visitation schedule. Nothing was done by the father's attorney until yesterday when Judge McGinn met with both attorneys. Since such a long period of time had elapsed, my attorney had written the father's attorney indicating that we felt the father had lost interest in pursuing custody.

The part of this that I find so disturbing is the visitation order that Judge McGinn set up. The order states that for three weeks the father will meet with Beth for one hour per week, supervised by Beth's counselor. Thereafter, each meeting will be supervised by the father's mother. Since Beth does not even know these people and is extremely afraid of her father because of the violence she witnessed, I cannot understand how the paternal grandmother could be considered a suitable supervisor. The purpose of the visits is to establish whether the father is a fit person and I do not see how the grandmother can be impartial or looking out for the best interests of the child. It is beyond my belief that an order such as this could

be entered, and how a Judge could be so unconcerned with the welfare of an innocent seven year old.

Could you please help to see that these types of injustices can be reviewed? I have been informed by two separate attorneys that once the Judge has ruled we cannot appeal his decision. And if at all possible, help me save this little girl.

Sincerely,

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TRANSCRIPTION OF ILLEGIBLE SOURCE DOCUMENT--ATTACHED

January 29, 1993

Edward M. Nestor
288 Newland Street
Malden, MA 02146

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

The purpose of this letter to you is about my Grandson, his name is Logan Jameson and he is a victim of (A.L.D.) Adrenoleukodystrophy. He can not hear you, speak to you, or see you, and he just turned six (6) years old. In just about thirteen weeks Logan's condition moved so rapidly against him that it was a total horror. At one time this little boy was a very active child and a very bright child he was above average for his age. There is not much hope left for my grandson. This disease has totally destroyed him. He has been in the hospital now for one month.

Logans' chances of ever returning home are next to nothing. His mother and father are at the hospital with him constantly. These two people along with my grandson are going through a living hell. It is a total nightmare for Ed and Dianne because they know that they can do nothing for Logan, but be there with him, hold his hand, stroke his little forehead. Mr. Clinton I don't know if you have heard about the movie that's now out about this disease. If you have not let me assure you that my grandson is the living proof of just how fast this dreadful disease can move. I'm going to enclose a feature story that was done on Logan by a reporter for the Boston Globe, it's a beautiful story and I just want you to know what it is about.

Mrs. Clinton if you can somehow get this issue into your schedule, would you take this onto National Television and try to get it across to all the parents of the world that if they see any signs of unnatural orders in there children to have them checked out and don't brush it off as nothing serious. This disease only strikes the males, the female is the carrier. I'm going to let Ed and Dianne Jameson know that I wrote to you. If you can get this request done I'm sure that a lot can be achieved. Now congratulations to you and your husband Bill, between the two of you I believe that you will get this country back on its' feet and to the Vice President and his family I send my very best.

I know my request may be a hard one to do , but after watching you on T.V. with children, if anyone can do it, Hillary Rodham Clinton can do it. I'm closing now, God Bless you and Bill and your family. Thank you

P.S. Please excuse my writing, I'm quite shook up about my grandson.

Edward W. Nestor
288 Newland St
Walden Mass
02148

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and his family I send my
very best. (please turn over)

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When 'Lorenzo's Oil' hits home

For a 6-year-old Randolph boy and his family, it's more than a movie — it's real life

By Bruce McCabe
GLOBE STAFF

Logan Jameson's 6th birthday party was a very poignant affair.

Family and friends surrounded the Randolph boy with stuffed animals and other gifts. They brought him a Ninja Turtle birthday cake and sang "Happy Birthday." And gaily colored balloons bobbed in the air.

But Logan was unable to see, hear or understand any of it. He was lying in his bed in a seventh-floor

room at New England Medical Center's Floating Hospital for Children, a victim of ALD.

The disease, a hereditary disorder that progresses through deafness, blindness, dementia, paralysis and death, usually within two years, was dramatized in the current movie "Lorenzo's Oil," which stars Nick Nolte and Susan Sarandon. But as compelling as many scenes in the film are, they have nothing on the real one that took place last Friday in Logan's hospital room.

Logan's mother, Dianne Jameson, a tower of strength and character who had organized the party, was bending over Logan's bed, stroking his cheeks

and hair and crooning softly into his ear.

"How's my boy? How's my boy, Logan? Happy birthday, Logan. Want Mama to sing?"

The room was crowded with Logan's family and friends but they were all hushed. Everyone was looking at Logan, hoping and praying for response. Everyone was trying to stay in control. Some were more successful than others.

Logan's father, Edmund, a Stoughton police officer, was fighting to keep composed. Logan's brother, Scott, 17, a junior at Blue Hills Regional Technical School in Canton, and his sister, Kerri, 14, a sopho-

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The Museum of Fine Arts is quietly becoming the best place in Boston to see movies produced by particular artists for particular audiences. Under the leadership of o Smith, the MFA is filling the void left by the death of many Boston art theaters during the last decade.

"We're trying to make sure that a film will satisfy an audience before we book it," said Smith, director of the MFA's film program. "We've been very successful with our festivals — Jewish, the Gay and Lesbian, Women's

Zsa Zsa Gabor, who's probably the most famous of the "Zsa Zsa" court dates than social ones defend her no-show at a "m-camp" where fans paid \$7.50 to appear in a video with her. Hollywood Fantasy Corp. won after Gabor canceled two weeks before the 1991 event, and he had to 20 clients. Saito won a \$3 judgment against Gabor for contract in November, but she threw it out because Gabor

When 'Lorenzo's Oil' hits home

■ ALD

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more at the school, looked devastated. Logan's grandmother, Ginger Dorley, and a next-door neighbor of the family's, Jane Hess, looked on, trying to keep the tears at bay.

Logan's disease, clinically named adrenoleukodystrophy, affects one in 30,000 young boys. Its cause, still being researched, has been linked to a gene in the mother's X-chromosome. Logan, one of six children, was adopted at the age of 3 by the Jamesons. He was born addicted to drugs and alcohol and was described in the terminology as a "failure to thrive" baby before the Jamesons brought him into their home.

Then he began thriving.

"He was brilliant," said Ginger Dorley. "He was dialing a phone before he was 3. He recognized his name and numbers. I have a lot of grandchildren and I know about them at that age, and Logan was very bright."

"We're a sports family and Logan went everywhere with us. When the kids were younger, we lived on Little League fields. Everybody fell in love with Logan. Senior citizens loved him," said Dianne Jameson. She's a diabetic - she's had it for 37 years - and was hobbling about on crutches, the result of an accident in which she had stepped on a needle.

In spite of the family's obviously very full plate, Dianne seemed like a rock of stability. She talked naturally and lovingly about Logan and seemed to be on a very even keel.

"Logan was placed in our home as a foster child when he was 4 months old," she said. "The state evaluated him when he was 2½, and he scored two years above his age in everything. We went to Disney World four times. He was Scott and Kerri's little brother. He followed them around like a puppy."

But Logan began showing unrecognized "signs" last May or June, Dianne said. A doctor gave her exercises for Logan to do for what was thought to be a "lazy eye." In July,

'It all happened so fast. We were preparing for a special-needs bus to take him to school, and then before we knew it he couldn't even walk.'

DIANNE JAMESON
Logan's mother

Logan's grandmother noticed a hearing problem and advised Dianne to have his ears checked for fluid.

"He seemed to be having trouble processing information in his brain. We wondered if it was drugs," she said. "He started kindergarten Oct. 5. The teachers saw him in school. He wouldn't talk on the phone. He couldn't dial. He couldn't read the digital numbers on the dial of the VCR. He couldn't take phone messages. He tripped a lot."

"He had screened so high last April that he had been picked as a model student for a cooperative kindergarten. By October, he couldn't print his name. Only an 'L.' He couldn't make circles or Xs. He couldn't understand instructions. We thought it must be a medical problem."

The Jamesons' pediatrician gave Logan a CAT scan, which came out "abnormal." He was given another test, an MRI.

"He was diagnosed Oct. 17," Dianne said. "They told us he had ALD."

She paused.

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preparing for a special-needs bus to take him to school, and then before we knew it he couldn't even walk."

Logan's doctor, Dr. Edward Kaye, director of Neurometabolic Diseases at Floating Hospital for Children, says that Logan's disease has progressed too far to consider bone-marrow transplant or any other treatments. "We're left with nothing in the way of treatment options," he said. "It's difficult for us to predict and watch this happen, but we're dealing with a disease for which the gene had not been identified or described until the early '80s."

As for the movie, Dianne Jameson has seen it yet but says she wasn't sure she didn't always feel that way.

"Originally, I didn't want to see it," she says. "It was too far from reality. But I'm more of a realist now. It's here with us and I've got to see it."

She feels it's imperative to get the word out fast about the disease.

"The thing I would stress is that if your child is showing symptoms of eye trouble or ear trouble, talk to your doctor about symptoms as far as you can go," she said. "If you notice a lazy eye, get a CAT scan."

The film's title refers to a therapy pioneered by Augusto Odone and his wife, Michaela, after their 14-year-old son, Lorenzo, was diagnosed with ALD. The therapy is a dietary supplement based on a mixture of rapeseed and other vegetable oils.

The therapy is currently being tested in patients all over the world but comes too late for Logan Jameson. The Odones, of Washington, D.C., have undertaken a private research project aimed at curing ALD and related diseases. The film carries an 800 number at the end for those who want more information or who want to contribute to the search.

As for Logan, the Jamesons are anguished by the probability that nothing can be done for him.

"But if there's any way we can help someone else, we want to," says Logan's father.



GLOBE STAFF PHOTO / JOANNE RATHE

and Dianne Jameson spent their son Logan's 6th birthday with him at Floating Hospital.





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January 25, 1993

Ms. Hillary Clinton
First Lady
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Ms. Clinton:

It amazes me that the media, commentators, and some Americans continue to dwell on the "role" of Hillary. From all I have seen and read about you, you represent the very best of the woman of the 90's. You obviously are intelligent, talented, hard working and can contribute great substance to solving the issues in this nation.

Like many of us, you juggle a career, family and child responsibilities, households, and support (and often guidance) to our husbands to do the right things.

Knowing it isn't always easy, I just wanted to let you know there are more of us behind you than you may think. Stand tall, be bold, stay involved, and be proud that you can serve our great nation in a meaningful way. Whatever you do, don't stand back in the shadows of the White House, public opinion, or politics. We need you to drive the chariot and lead our struggle for equality of opportunity.

Sincerely,



Marsha E. Frost
(A Proud Public Servant)

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January 22, 1993

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Mrs. Hillary Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

This is certainly a very exciting time in history, this letter following on the heels of a most momentous and electrifying inauguration. Under the leadership of your husband surrounded by the idealism, enthusiasm and principals of a younger generation support base, I find myself propelled to join this movement toward regeneration and regrowth.

With the Republican party permeated with stagnant old thought, I never before thought that I could make a significant difference. With the cobwebs and mothballs now removed, I welcome the chance to make that difference and hope you will welcome my offering to do so.

As a single, working mother in my mid-thirties and with insight garnered from years of hard work and adversity, I believe my own highly principled background and determination would benefit the goals of your administration. I indicate "YOUR" administration because I voted for you as well as your husband. I believe that the people who dislike your significant role as advisor to your husband feel that way because they are threatened by your intelligence and determination. They need to realize that you're not Barbara Bush, a sweet grandmother bouncing the children on her knee and spouting family values. You're a highly educated woman who effectively juggles career and family while helping to effect legislation that actually makes a difference in the reality of family values for the women and children of this country. Barbara reading a book to children in a hospital doesn't help anyone other than entertainment for a day. The actions of your career, however, does help enhance the quality of family care and for that, I admire you.

The emotional despair, financial ruination and abuses dealt at the hands of my pending divorce, both by my soon-to-be ex-husband and most regretfully to say, the legal system which is quagmired in empty voluminous rhetoric that truly violates the rights of women and children, contrary to its espoused agenda, has left me, not discouraged, but all the more determined to help protect other women and children who are vulnerable to the same injustice. I refuse to accept that the words "fair" and "justice" are simple space fillers in the dictionary. I am resolved to make a difference and pray you will have some opportunity for me to do just that.

You are an inspiring role model for women everywhere. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Eileen D. Patten

January 21, 1993

Our dear Hillary,

Warmest wishes to you as you
embark on your new life in
The White House.

~~You are just terrific!~~ You are a
Great Example to women all over
the globe. We have great respect
and admiration for you.

You looked Beautiful at the Inaug-
uration and at the Ball. We all
~~loved~~ your outfits - and your hat!
(despite some uncalled-for comments!).

Stay just the way you are, which is
great! You are held in highest regard
by all the talented women I know.

Best to all the Clintons!

Sincerely,

Eileen Patten

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To: Mrs. Hillary Rodman Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC

January 24, 1993

Re: A personal experience with out-of-control Medicare costs, and how we patients might be of help.

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

Here is a graphic example from my own experience of why Medicare is heading for bankruptcy unless drastic changes are made.

Due to a still undiagnosed blood disease problem, I require blood transfusions every three weeks. These usually take place in Maine Medical Center, Portland. My basic health insurance is Medicare.

While out-of-state twice last year I required transfusions (3 units of blood) in two different hospitals, in each case spending one night in-hospital. *Despite identical services, the total hospital charges (not including physicians' fees) varied by 624%.*

Riverside Medical center, Waupaca, Wis.:	\$1,256.00	
Tarzana Medical Center, Tarzana, Calif.:	7,841.00	

Medicare paid both hospitals (minus the mandated deductibles) without raising questions. I was not consulted. The patient is never asked by Medicare to verify whether or not she received the services as billed. Nor was my primary physician consulted.

Evidently there is no effort to establish a common billing schedule across the U.S. for such identical services.

How Medicare patients can help control costs:

During nearly three years of medical care covered by Medicare, I have never been asked by Medicare to verify the billing, or to comment on the charges made. I believe that we patients can help you and others seeking to control the escalation of medical costs. I for one would be willing to take the time and effort to carefully check my medical bills against a standard fee schedule approved by Medicare.

As it is, I have nowhere to complain about the shocking discrepancy between the bills submitted to Medicare by the two hospitals in Wisconsin and California. Nor do I have an incentive; Medicare pays the bills in any case.

I wish you all success as you seek a solution to this problem.

Sincerely, ⁷

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FOR INFO
CHIEF OF POLICE*

Mrs. Clinton,

May I first take this opportunity to congratulate you on your appointment to head up this nations health care system. I would like to relate to my recent experience with the current system in hopes that you can be able to do something to see that something like this can never again happen to one of our citizens.

In January of 1992 my family and I decided to move to Arizona from Missouri to help take care of my father who is suffering with emphysema. I resigned my position with the Missouri Department of Corrections and my wife gave up her job in which she was making over nine dollars an hour and we moved with hopes of me going directly to work with the Arizona Department of Corrections, and my wife going to work in some other type of manufacturing job.

After we had been in Arizona about one month I was injured in an accident at the swimming pool in the association in which my Father and mother had moved to. I did not have any type of insurance, and it was an accident. I suppose I could have tried to blame it on someone and not only had my medical bills taken care of, but received some other moneys also. The accident herniated a disc in the lower lumbar region of my back. I found this out after being taken to the emergency room of a local hospital.

The injury required surgery. It was not life threatening or was there a threat of paralyses so I was not able to have this surgery until I could pay for it in cash or qualify for

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the state indigent insurance program.

It took nine months for our last years income to " spiral down " to the point where I qualified for the state insurance program and finally had the surgery.

During the nine months that I had to wait for the insurance the doctors had no other recourse than to treat the pain, which they did with Oxycodone, a very close relative to Morphine.

Mrs. Clinton I am now a drug addict. It is something that I am trying very hard to overcome. Luckily I have a family that loves and believes in me very much. I have no doubt that I can overcome this current nightmare and reach my ultimate goal which is to become a Juvenile Probation Officer for the State of Arizona.

I hope that you or more than likely one of your staff reads this letter and can try to do something about the current system so that no one else should have to go through this.

I guess I should consider myself lucky in the fact that I was able to have the operation eventually, but in the meantime we lost everything we owned with the exception of our car and the love we have for each other. And as a matter of fact we have become a lot stronger family because of this nightmare.

Please again accept my congratulations. For the first time in a long time I again feel hope, not just for myself and my family, but for my Country as well.

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Jan. 27, 1993

Mrs Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs Clinton;

I am sincerely and prayerfully hoping good things for you as you undertake to bring order out of our National Health Crisis.

As the Mother of two sons who operate our family Contracting business I am also praying your solution will not be to put the Costs of the Nation's medical problems onto small Businesses!

If you do — many of us will have to close our doors and many more added to the unemployment rolls.

Everyone !! Even the very poor should help defray the Costs of Medical treatment.

The only way this could be accomplished would be to enact a 1% National sales tax.

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Then everybody - rich and poor
would be helping pay their own way

Another subject concerning Health Care taken
from my personal experiences.

My husband was billed \$19,000 for one
Chemo injection!

I protested by phone. The Hospital
spokesman said, "Oh, don't worry Medicare
won't pay near all of that any way!"
The next day he called me back and
said - "take \$16,000 off that bill - it
was a mistake!"

A mistake my eye!!
And they probably billed Medicare the
same as first stated.

And I could tell you of other similar
happenings).

Our whole system is So Messed UP!!
Hospitals and Doctors (by their own
admission) are getting rich!

My husband's surgeon said to him, "Don't
let anyone tell you we're not
making LOTS of money!"

My best wishes to you!
Oh, that Common Sense would reign!

Peggy Hartkopf
809 Linda Ave

Atlantic, Iowa 50022

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Children

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Communities Caring for Children
57 Hanna Road
Bass Brook, MN 55721
218-328-5172

Ms. Hilary Clinton
Governor's Mansion
1800 Center St.
Little Rock,
Arkansas 72206-1498



Dear Ms. Clinton,

Congratulations on becoming the next First Lady of the United States. I know you will be a wonderful role model for our country. Since you have been an advocate for children, I would like you to know about a new and innovative outreach program in Northwestern Minnesota, called ***Communities Caring for Children***.

Communities Caring for Children is a federally funded 3-year program involving 13 poor counties in rural NW Minnesota and the NW District Office of Minnesota Department of Health. The goals of the program are to encourage pregnant women to receive early and continuous prenatal care, to assist pregnant women in overcoming barriers to obtaining care, to assist families with infants and young children to receive well-child exams and immunizations, and to increase community awareness of these issues. This program started because:

1. 25% of pregnant women in NW Minnesota did not obtain prenatal care in their first trimester in 1988. Women who receive poor prenatal care have a higher incidence of poor birth outcomes and are three times more likely to have a low birthweight (LBW) infant. Many LBW babies go through life with residual handicaps and receive many expensive services for several years.
2. Seven of the 13 NW counties had a higher rate of babies delivered at less than 37 weeks gestation than the state.
3. The infant mortality rate in the NW District of Minnesota was 11.6/1000 live births versus 7.8 for the state in 1988.
4. Only 61% of rural Minnesota 2-year-old children were fully immunized in 1988.
5. Only 17% of all children ages birth - 5 years old received well-child exams in 1990.

Program activities include (or will include):

1. Public information about the importance of obtaining early and continuous prenatal care - Messages will be announced on TV and radio, posters and brochures will be displayed in grocery stores, laundromats, video stores, churches, etc., and presentations will be given to clubs and businesses in the communities.

2. Monitoring prenatal visits - Local prenatal care providers work closely with the program so a public health nurse (PHN) can follow-up with women who miss prenatal appointments and assist them in overcoming barriers to obtaining proper care.

3. Computerized tracking and personalized reminders for well-child care - Families will receive letters 2 weeks before their children should have well-child exams and/or immunizations. Letters will include information on growth and development, safety, community resources, and the importance of well-child exams and immunizations. A PHN will follow-up with all families and will assist them in overcoming barriers so their children will receive care.

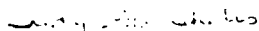
Our goal is to reach all pregnant women in the NW District and have them participate in the program (approximately 3,000 births per year). As an encouragement to enter the program, every participant will receive a plastic beverage cup with our program name and a "recipe" for having a healthy baby written on it. The inside of the cup will contain a coupon for groceries at a local store plus other incentives solicited from local communities.

Our program will be ready to serve participants in January 1993. So far, it has been very exciting to see communities embrace the concept of caring for their children. Several clubs and organizations have donated money and/or time to provide transportation or child care to families in need. Local grocery stores have donated several gift certificates, and a radio station made professional tapes of our 30-second messages to be used on radio stations in the 13 counties. Some counties have had local businesses agree to co-sponsor our ads.

As the health care system in our country changes, I hope public health programs that prevent the birth of low birthweight babies and prevent childhood diseases will become a priority. If you and the President-elect bring your daughter, Chelsea, to language camp next summer, or if you are in Minnesota for another occasion, I would love to introduce you to our team of nurses and further explain the program. We often conduct our meetings in Bemidji. It would be a great honor to meet you in person.

Thank you for your attention and good luck in your new role as First Lady.

Sincerely,



Judy Garshelis

Maternal and Child Health Grant Coordinator for *Communities Caring for Children*

26 DEC 1992

Nov. 28/92



Dear Mrs Clinton,

First of all I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate you and your husband on the landslide victory in the presidential election. It's nice to have a couple in the White House of your combined intelligence and sensitivity.

We have a 10 month old baby daughter and like most parents are most concerned about her future. I recently read an article in Newsweek Magazine about a program you got started in Arkansas, HIPY, modelled after a course you had seen in Israel that teaches parents to be their children's first teacher. I was wondering if there was any way that we could get more information on this program.

I also read that in four years you wanted to be asked "what I've accomplished" also that you want to be held as accountable as your husband. Our main concerns are the quality of education



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that will be available for our daughter
when she reaches school age, and ~~the~~
health care. I have heard President ~~Clinton~~
Clinton speak in favor of health care
changes which favor the Canadian way
and was wondering how you felt about
this? We both (my husband & I) are in
favor of changes such as these but it is
not as simple as flipping a switch. It is
insurance comp, etc stand to lose a lot of
money by putting such government
controls on them and were wondering
how you felt? Also we were wondering
how and what changes you would suggest
and how plausible it would be to get
them implemented.

I also realize how extremely busy you are
and can't possibly answer all your mail.
But this is the first time I have ever felt
compelled to write to the First Lady. I feel
that women, of all walks of life finally
will have a voice in the White House
through you, Mrs. Clinton. I especially
admire your efforts for children and
hope you will not meet many obstacles

3)
in striving for their rights.



Thankyou for your time and once again if there is any way I could get some information on HIPY, I would greatly appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Alice M. Spencer
5818 Greenwood Ave. N.
Seattle, WA
USA 98103



DEAR HILLARY

1-18-93
Children

IM WRITING ABOUT
CHILDREN

UNTIL 2 YEARS AGO I
WORKED FOR THE CALIF.
GOVERNORS ADVISORY COMM.
ON ~~CHILD~~ DEVELOPMENT FOR
ELEVEN YEARS. FOR THE FIRST
TIME I FEEL SOME HOPE NOW
THAT YOU ARE IN THE WHITE
HOUSE. THE CHILDREN NEED
YOU - ~~THOSE~~ IN POVERTY,
DRUG BABIES, HOMELESS, THOSE
IN NEED OF DAY CARE,
HEALTH CARE, ETC.

CHILDREN HAVE NO RIGHTS,
IN MY WORK, I SAW THIS
CONTINUALLY

A BABY WHO WAS BEATEN
WITH A TREE BRANCH BECAUSE
THE CHURCH THE PARENTS

BELONGED TO TOLD THEM
IT WAS IN THE BIBLE, THE
SINGLE FATHER WHO COULDN'T
AFFORD A BIRTHDAY CARD FOR
HIS LITTLE BOY, & A PARENT
OF A HANDICAPPED CHILD
WHO SAID "WHO WILL CARE
FOR MARK WHEN I'M GONE"?

I KNOW WE MUST BE
REALISTIC, BUT I AM HOPEFUL
THAT WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE
THEY NEED SELF-ESTEEM,
THEY NEED TO DREAM, &
THEY NEED A FUTURE. YOU'VE
GOT ONE HELL OF A BIG
JOB AHEAD OF YOU. I'M
SO GLAD YOU CARE.

BARBARA HANSEN
770 13 ST. S.D.
CHALLIS, IDAHO

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Other Issues

January 29, 1993

Mrs. Hillary Clinton
The White House
Washington D.C. 20505

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

Everywhere I read that you are concerned with the plague of child abuse in our country and would like to work for the betterment of children in America.

This is wonderful and I am glad you feel this way as millions of Americans join you in being horrified at the child abuse stories we hear.

However, you are contradicting yourself when you advocate the so called "right to choose". Abortion is the ultimate child abuse. It is no wonder that we are seeing more and more cases of child abuse in a society that is free to do away with a child in the womb for virtually any reason.

Abortion denies the child in the womb the chance to live out their lives and be the best that they can be. They are not even given a chance at life, through no fault of their own.

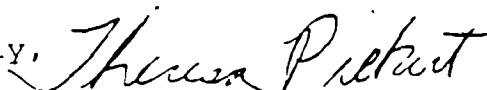
Abortion does not help the mothers either. Millions of aborted women suffer terribly from various aspects of post abortion syndrome. Women have a natural instinct to protect and nurture their children even from the moment they know they are pregnant. It is the most unnatural thing to do, to kill a child in the womb.

I know you and President Clinton agree that we must work to reduce the need for abortion but this will not happen by making it more readily available and taking away sensible restrictions such as parental notification, waiting periods, and giving mothers information on fetal development, possible after-effects etc.

The real solution to the crises of unwanted pregnancies, etc. is to return to a society that practices chastity before marriage and fidelity in marriage. These are old-fashioned values, but they work. They also eliminate other problems such as the spread of AIDS and other STDs.

Please consider all I have written. I pray for you and President Clinton that God will help you guide our country back to the right paths.

Sincerely,



Theresa Piekut 9 Oakview Trail; Ridge, New York 11961

Policy

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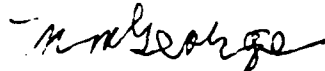
Mrs. Bill Clinton
Governor's Mansion
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

You are interested in our children and young people, I know.
Television and the cinema are very big influences, especially on
our youth. Whatever happened to censorship that was present when
TV first appeared? Just think what our kids see and hear now!
Like many other adults I feel that the violence and sex on TV
especially accounts for a lot of happenings, and I wish we could
have some censorship.

Do this country a favor, Mrs. Clinton, and see what you can do to
curb sex and violence on TV and in the movies. And - thank you...

Sincerely,


Mabel M. George

Special letters

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

I am Natali, from Russia, just a private citizen, not a representative of anybody or anything. On my behalf and on behalf of the people close to me, I want to congratulate Mr. President and you, Madam, on entering into the records of your nation's history and wish you good luck and every success in fulfilling this great historic mission for the benefit of your people and the world!

I hope, Madam, you would not consider it a little presumptuous of me to write a personal letter to you - being so much below you on a social ladder - I am just a teacher, teaching our budding businessmen commercial English, which they so urgently need on their way to integrate into the world market economy. I would have silently rejoiced at your so well deserved victory and just as silently wished you all the best, marvelling at your ability to be so clever and charming at the same time. We, women, need someone like you for men bow their heads to, since Margaret Thatcher left politics.

Now you contend yourself, Madam, to remain a voice for children and families in the White House, and this is undoubtedly the most noble mission for the First Lady. And it is because of this capacity of yours that I am writing to you. Will you, please, take my little daughter under your protection, though we are not of your realm, so to speak. Being a desperate mother gave me this courage in writing to you. My problem is that 7 years ago, when I was 40 and married and happy and well-off, we adopted a daughter, whom her own parents discarded at birth. We considered the girl a Godsend

and promised to give her the world. But our bad luck made us divorce and the circumstances are such, that I can't rely on any financial support from my former husband. Now I am practically alone, rushing to and fro to earn our daily bread, always in mortal fear for the girl, always locked alone, with the crime rate at its peak due to the collapse of the country. Had it not been for general disorder and disintegration and hyperinflation, I would have managed to fulfill my parental obligations myself, but now we are steadily approaching the poverty line. I would not mind it for myself, but I do mind it for the girl's sake. With all these refusals even of the smallest things on my part, unkempt streets, empty shops and all abounding cruelty everywhere, the child began repeating that she wants better to be dead than alive, the words giving me anguish, unspoken of. I want the girl to get out of the country! And that's why I am writing to you, Madam, and praying to you as to God Almighty, could you, please, assist in having the child placed in some boarding school in your great country for 3-4 years, till she grows a little, learns the ways of your country and escapes the poverty and cruelty of our present life. This opportunity will be a great break for the child, who is bright and healthy. May it be, that you, Madam, get some people interested in us and helping us somehow.

I am quite aware, Madam, that there are families, whose situation may be worse, than ours, but may it be that my love for the child and your kind heart would bring happiness to at least one child's eyes, if all our poor children can't be helped at once. If my services are needed for the upkeep of my child, I'll do whatever job is available, no matter how low.

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Was this idea to write to you inspired from the Above, His Will governing us subconsciously? Something tells me I am not writing in vain. At least, -may be- is always better than nothing, isn't it? As for finding help here - no luck, everybody is fighting everybody, everything is disintegrating, regrouping, rearranging. No order in anything. No nothing. There is opposition to every proposition. Our present life could be both a gist for a humorous story and the highest tragedy, had not we been living it. Russia is predicted to revive in the next millenium. Our generation has lost all hopes. May our children live to see it! Thank you, Madam, for giving me your attention, Happy Christmas to you and your family, health and happiness to your daughter Chelsea. may all your wishes come true!

Horine against hope

I remain,

faithfully Yours,

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Moscow, December 10, 1992.

Jan. 17, '93

H. Mary Clinton:

This quilt "Anita Hill and the Senate Judiciary Committee" is a statement about inequality.

It is an accolade for those who have spoken for women, all women using a woman's craft.

The "committee" is wearing its T-V clothes - red ties, white shirts, and blue suits.

The women in their clothes and hair surround the floors of power and below are those shoes that women wear.

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P.S.

As this Great T-V show played
itself out in Oct. '91 Pauline and I
sat stunned and mesmerized by
the interplay of the characters; by
the many layers of meanings; by
the duplicity of participants from
the President on down. Now
all this is turned into stacks
of books, myths, and now
Pauline's Quilt. We thought you'd
like to hear about the quilt.

Yours

Bill Parker

