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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 22, 1997

Robert William Green, Jr.
3505 Ashley Station Drive
Marietta, GA 30060

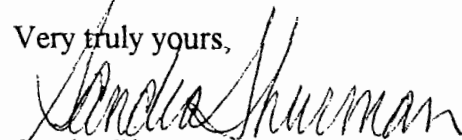
Dear Mr. Green:

Thank you for your recent letter concerning herbal treatments for HIV and AIDS.

I appreciate your taking the time to write and ask for information. We would suggest that you contact your physician for specific recommendations on AIDS treatments. Alternatively, you could contact the AIDS service organization in your community or AID Atlanta for additional information.

We appreciate your taking the time to write and hope that you are able to obtain the information you seek.

Very truly yours,



Sandra Thurman

Director

White House Office of National AIDS Policy

Office of
National AIDS Policy

Correspondence Routing Slip

Tracking Number: G3761

Date Rcvd: 05-19-97

From: Robert William Green, Jr

Staff Action:

Reviewed By Sandy: _____ Reviewed By: _____

Assigned To: _____

RCVD: _____ DONE: _____

Recommendations/Instructions:

To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: _____

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5/16/97

Fax 202 632 1096

To: Sandra Thurman

Director of National Aids Policies

From: Robert William Green Jr.
3505 Ashley Station Dr.
Marietta Ga 30060

Re: Aids policies & Herbal Formula
treatment

Dear Mrs Thurman, please provide me the
Policies of the Whitehouse for Herbal Formulas, for
as treatment for Aids. I've been informed
that certain ~~herbal~~ Formula are effective as
treatment for Aids. Your immediate response
is appreciated. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Robert William Green Jr.

See faxed
Copies

April 29, 1997

ROBERT WILLIAM GREEN, JR.
141 ENGLEWOOD AVENUE
WEST HARTFORD, CT 06110

MS. SANDRA THURMAN
808 17th STREET, N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

DEAR MS. THURMAN:

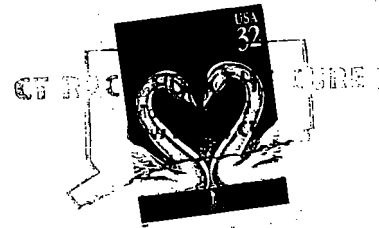
PLEASE PROVIDE AS AIDS Policy Director the position of the
White House ON HERBAL FORMULAS FOR THE TREATMENT OF AIDS.

I HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT TESTIMONIES EXIST IN FAVOR OF
HERBAL FORMULAS FOR THE TREATMENT AND ATTENUATION OF THE AIDS
VIRUS (HIV) AND AIDS. HOWEVER THE ADMINISTRATION'S policy is
NOT KNOWN TO ME.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR RESPONSE

SINCERELY,
Robert William Green, Jr.

MR. ROBERT WILLIAM GREEN, JR.
141 ENGLEWOOD AVENUE
WEST HARTFORD, CT 06110



MS. SANDRA THURMAN
808 17th STREET N.W.
WASHINGTON, D.C. ~~20503~~

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 22, 1997

Donald M. Clark
California Mental Health Consultants
1618 El Monte Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95815

Dear Mr. Clark:

Thank you for taking the time to write to share your concerns about the HOPWA and Ryan White programs.

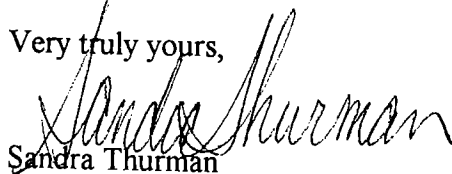
Any concerns you have about the way in which funds or related programs are administered should be addressed to the relevant agency. For HOPWA issues, you can contact the state or local administering agency, or can call HUD directly.

As for issues relating to Ryan White, you should contact the officials within the City of Sacramento or the State of California which are responsible for administering the program.

I agree strongly with your statement that these programs should be completed free of any racist or homophobic influence. The AIDS epidemic has certainly taught us all that hate and discrimination only further the spread of the disease.

Again, thank you for writing. I wish you the best of luck.

Very truly yours,



Sandra Thurman

Director

White House Office of National AIDS Policy

**Office of
National AIDS Policy**

Correspondence Routing Slip

Tracking Number: G3748

Date Rcvd: 05-02-97

From: Donald M. Clark
California Mental Health Consultants

Staff Action:

Reviewed By Sandy: _____ **Reviewed By:** _____

Assigned To: _____

RCVD: _____ **DONE:** _____

Recommendations/Instructions:

To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: _____

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**CALIFORNIA MENTAL HEALTH CONSULTANTS
1618 El Monte Avenue
Sacramento, CA. 95815
(916) 641-7933 or
(916) 648-9936**

MAY 05 1997

Don M. Clark
Principal

The White House
Office of National AIDS Policy
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500
Attn: Sandy Thurman, AIDS Policy Director

Dear Ms. Thurman:

Congratulations on your appointment to coordinate and lead America's health effort against the scourge of AIDS. It was also pleasing to hear that you have some serious concerns on how racism impedes the delivery of services to minorities. Amen, for saying that !

Now; in terms of putting some action behind your words, I wish you would seriously investigate the unfairness in the administration and implementation of housing and treatment resources for African Americans and other racial minorities.

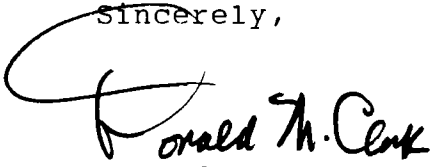
Time and time again, over the last several years, I have personally seen how racism shows its ugly head in the program functioning of the Ryan White Care Act and the Housing Opportunities for People With AIDS (HOPWA). Something corrective needs to be done real soon like a national press conference about this issue. And at the press conference an open invitation should be made urging all who've suffered to come forth with documented incidents of racism.

Much later, before the Clinton Administration exits the scene and enters into the US History Books. You; as the third and final Policy Coordinator, need to call for a top to bottom review of every federal agency that is involved with HIV/AIDS in seeing to it that racism and homophobia is not being tolerated in the issuance of funds.

Lastly, I would deeply appreciate hearing back from you on how California can possibly play a lead role in boosting

public intolerance against social and cultural discrimination as it affects victims of HIV/AIDS.

Sincerely,



Donald M. Clark
Consultant

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 22, 1997

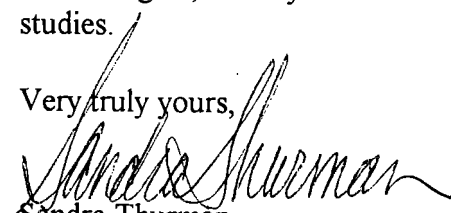
William Paul Aldridge
1024 Carpenter Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Dear Mr. Aldridge:

I received a copy of the e-mail request you made to the President requesting information on HIV and AIDS. I would suggest that an excellent starting point would be the web site for the Centers for Disease Control, which can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov>. Just follow the links on the screen to obtain a wealth of information, as well as links to other sites.

Again, thank you for writing. I wish you the best of luck in your studies.

Very truly yours,



Sandra Thurman

Director

White House Office of National AIDS Policy

**Office of
National AIDS Policy**

Correspondence Routing Slip

Tracking Number: G31741

Date Rcvd: 05-09-97

From: Sue J. Smith
E-mail To The President

Staff Action:

Reviewed By Sandy: _____ Reviewed By: _____

Assigned To: _____

RCVD: _____ DONE: _____

Recommendations/Instructions:

To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: _____

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

5.5.97

DATE

MEMORANDUM

FOR:

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FROM:

SUE J. SMITH *SJS*
DIRECTOR, AGENCY LIAISON

SUBJECT:

REFERRAL OF CASEWORK

I am forwarding the attached letter to your office for appropriate action. Please send us a copy of your written response or your telephone report along with the writer's original correspondence and envelope to the following address:

Ms. Sue J. Smith
Director, Agency Liaison
Room 6, OEOB
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

If you have any questions, call my office at 202/456-7486.

Thank you for your help.

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From nobody@Whitehouse.GOV Mon Mar 3 15:16:57 1997
Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 15:05:44 -0500
From: William Paul Aldridge <Paldridge@uplogon.com>
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To: president@Whitehouse.GOV
Errors-to: The Postmaster <postmaster@Whitehouse.GOV>
Reply-to: William Paul Aldridge <Paldridge@uplogon.com>
Message-id: <199703032005.PAA24994@www1.whitehouse.gov>

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URL: http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/Mail/html/Mail_President.html

[Sender Information]

PERSONAL-NAME: William Paul Aldridge
EMAIL-ADDRESS: Paldridge@uplogon.com
ORGANIZATION:
RELATIONSHIP:
STREET-ADDRESS: 1024 Carpenter Ave.
CITY: Iron Mountain
STATE-PROVINCE: Michigan
ZIP-CODE: 49801
COUNTRY: United States

[Message Information]

PURPOSE: Seek assistance from the White House
TOPIC: Education
AFFILIATION: Student - College or University
SUBJECT: AIDS and the workplace

[Message]

Mr. President, I am a student at Northern Michigan University, I am writting to ask for information on AIDS in the workplace. This information is for a management term paper. I feel that as an up and coming manager, some day, that I will have to deal with this subject. So any information is well appreciated. If at all possible could you send information dealing with the laws involved also.

Thank You,
W. Paul Aldridge

ROUTING AND TRANSMITTAL SLIP				Date: April 25, 1997	
TO: (Name, Office Symbol, Room Number, Building, Agency/Post)				Initials	Date
1. Sue Smith					
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☐	Action	☐	File	☐	Note and Return
☐	Approval	☐	For Review	☐	Per Conversation
☐	As Requested	☐	For Correction	☐	Prepare Reply
☐	Circulate	☐	For Your Info	☐	Comment
☐	Concurrence	☐	Investigate	☐	Signature
☐	Coordination	☐	Justify	☒	Other (Note below)
REMARKS Reference my call on Thu 4/24 to Helen Castleman. I think this may have been misreferred to FEMA, so I'm returning it to you Thank you.					
FROM: (Name, Org. Symbol, Agency/Post) Alison Hargrove, OHRM-FEMA				Room # 810 Phone # 646-3962	

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

4-11-97

DATE

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FEMA

FROM:

SUE J. SMITH *SJS*
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF AGENCY LIAISON

SUBJECT:

REFERRAL OF CASEWORK IN BULK

An unprecedented number of individuals still write the President and the First Lady for help. I know that this has meant a far greater volume of mail for your agency than ever before. I appreciate your continuing cooperation in our efforts to be as responsive as possible.

The attached letters have not received a White House Staff response. I am forwarding this correspondence to your agency for any appropriate action.

Please return the original incoming letter, along with a copy of any written or telephone response, to me at the address below. I also would appreciate your sending a copy of your agency's log of the names and addresses of these individuals. Any misreferrals should be returned to my office. If you have questions you can reach me at 456-7486.

Sue J. Smith
Director, Office of Agency Liaison
Room 6, OEOB
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Again, thank you for your continuing help.

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From nobody@Whitehouse.GOV Thu Apr 3 10:46:15 1997
Date: Thu, 03 Apr 1997 10:38:57 -0500
From: "Jack R. Kelly" <jkelly9105@aol.com>
Subject: Inbound-White_House_WWW_MAIL => PRESIDENT
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To: president@Whitehouse.GOV
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URL: http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/Mail/html/Mail_President.html

[Sender Information]

PERSONAL-NAME: Jack R. Kelly
EMAIL-ADDRESS: jkelly9105@aol.com
ORGANIZATION: Lighthouse Compassionate Care
RELATIONSHIP: Board of Director Member
STREET-ADDRESS: 4624 Pompano Circle
CITY: Las Vegas
STATE-PROVINCE: Nevada
ZIP-CODE: 89130-5313
COUNTRY: USA

[Message Information]

PURPOSE: Other
TOPIC: Social Issues
AFFILIATION: Private Citizen
SUBJECT: Meeting with President or Staff

[Message]

Dear Mr. President,

I will be in Washington from the evening of April 11 to the late afternoon of April 15. I visit to Washington is to participate in NAPWA's (National Association of People with AIDS) AIDS Watch 97. I would like to opportunity to meet with you our your staff to discuss HIV/AIDS funding asn other general issues. In particular, I would like to speak with Eric Goodsby, the Actind Director of the National Office of AIDS Policy. Mr. President, I have worked on your reelection for 1996, from your office in Las Vegas. I have had the honor to meet Mrs. Clinton as well as Vice President Gore. I would like

the opportunity to meet with you and discuss you continued support in the fight of HIV/AIDS. I may be reached at the above address, e-mail address, my phonenumber is 702-656-7618. I would greatly appreciate you and your staff's time. Thank you for you support on these issues. Sincerely, Jack R. Kelly

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BROWSER: Mozilla/2.0 (Win16; I)
URL: http://www.whitehouse.gov/WH/Mail/html/Mail_President.html

[Sender Information]

PERSONAL-NAME: Barb Hiatt
EMAIL-ADDRESS: hiatt_barbara@prc.com
ORGANIZATION:
RELATIONSHIP:
STREET-ADDRESS: 1009 N. Quintana St
CITY: Arlington
STATE-PROVINCE: VA
ZIP-CODE: 22205-1520
COUNTRY: USA

[Message Information]

PURPOSE: Seek assistance from the White House
 TOPIC: Social Welfare
 AFFILIATION: Private Citizen
 SUBJECT: Seeking sponsorship for DC AIDS Ride 97

[Message]

The DC AIDS Ride . . . It's four days and 320 mind-numbing, muscle-straining, energy-draining miles long. It starts in Raleigh, North Carolina on June 19th and ends in Washington DC on June 22nd. It's 1700 bike riders, testing their endurance, making a personal journey of faith and commitment. It's about honoring the past, protecting the present, and generating hope for the future. It's about raising four million dollars to support two agencies that are instrumental in this area's fight against AIDS - Food & Friends and Whitman-Walker Clinic. And it's about focusing energy on solving a crisis that affects our families, our community, and our country.

My name is Barb Hiatt. I'm rider number 57. I signed up last year, shortly after the 96 DC AIDS Ride. I've been in training for two months now, eager to experience the entirety of the journey I have embarked upon. But I can't do it alone - I need you along with me.

Join with me as one of my sponsors. In order to be eligible to ride, I must raise at least \$1700. The sooner I am able to do this, the better. Your donation will immediately be put to use in the struggle against AIDS.

As one of my sponsors, you will be helping me every step of the way - through hours of training and through each mile of the ride itself. You'll be helping me focus on my commitment and giving me added emotional and spiritual strength.

Please give me a call or send me e-mail and I'll get a sponsorship form to you. If you're interested in being a rider or crew member, I can tell you how to go about doing that, too. I can be reached at (703)556-3619.

Thank you for your interest. I look forward to hearing from you.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." -Margaret Mead

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 22, 1997

Donald L. McCants
5524 St. James Street
Birmingham, AL 35235

Dear Mr. McCants:

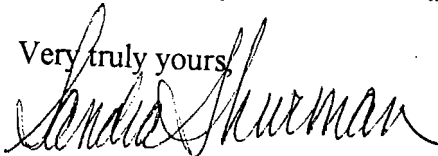
Thank you for taking the time to write me expressing your concerns about syringe exchange.

I believe very strongly that drug addiction is a crisis of monumental proportions for this nation, and that we should do everything in our power to end it. That is also my feeling about the AIDS epidemic. Both claim far too many young and precious lives, and rob this country of a great deal of talent and energy.

I realize that syringe exchange is a controversial method for reducing the spread of HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. However, I do believe that this is a public health issue and should be dealt with as such. Science should guide our decisions in this area, not politics.

I do appreciate your sharing your concerns and hope that you will continue to review all of the scientific studies of the impacts of syringe exchange as they are made available.

Very truly yours,



Sandra Thurman

Director

White House Office of National AIDS Policy

Office of
National AIDS Policy

Correspondence Routing Slip

Tracking Number: G3708

Date Rcvd: 05-01-97

From: Donald L. McCants

Staff Action:

Reviewed By Sandy: _____ Reviewed By: _____

Assigned To: _____

RCVD: _____ DONE: _____

Re: Needle Exchange
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Recommendations/Instructions:

To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: _____

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Donald L. McCants
5524 St. James Street
Birmingham, Alabama 35235
April 15, 1997

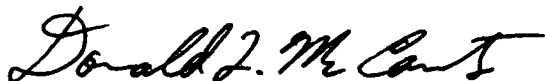
Sandra Thurman
Office of National Drug Control Policy
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Thurman:

I am most concerned about your recent statement to the press regarding your current proposed policy for dealing with our nation's serious illegal drug problem. Your proposed solution to the use of illegal needle-injected drugs by the distribution of free needles to heroin addicts will not solve our nation's serious drug problems in our nation's inner cities, and this "solution" has never ever worked anywhere that it has been tried. The only solution to our nation's drug problem that will really work, and has been shown to be workable, is a solution that is based on tried and true moral and ethical principles that are based on faith-based religiously oriented drug rehabilitation programs like Teen Challenge that have a proven track record over a number of years.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration. I am

Sincerely yours,


Donald L. McCants

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 22, 1997

Carolyn M. Cockfield
African American Education Coordinator
AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland
2728 Euclid Avenue, Suite 400
Cleveland, OH 44115-2412

Dear Ms. Cockfield:

The President's office passed along to us a copy of your letter to him requesting to be put in touch with someone responsible for AIDS.

I am the newly appointed Director of the White House Office of National AIDS Policy. Though there are many people in many different federal agencies doing work on AIDS, I would be happy to have our office consider any information you have.

Please direct it to this address:

White House Office of National AIDS Policy
808 17th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006

We will certainly be happy to take a look at any information you have, or hear any comments or suggestions about your work.

Again, thank you for writing. I wish you the best of luck in your efforts to stop the spread of HIV.

Very truly yours,



Sandra Thurman
Director

White House Office of National AIDS Policy

**Office of
National AIDS Policy**

Correspondence Routing Slip

Tracking Number: G3645-

Date Rcvd: 04-18-97

From: Sue J. Smith (LTR & E-mail To The President)
AID STAFF OF Greater Cleveland

Staff Action:

Reviewed By Sandy: _____ **Reviewed By:** _____

Assigned To: _____

RCVD: _____ **DONE:** _____

Recommendations/Instructions:

To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: _____

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

DATE

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ONADP

FROM:

SUE J. SMITH *SV*
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF AGENCY LIAISON

SUBJECT:

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Sue J. Smith
Director, Office of Agency Liaison
Room 6, OEOB
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Again, thank you for your continuing help.

2/26/97 DNAP
From nobody@Whitehouse.GOV Wed Feb 26 21:22:00 1997
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From: "Lisa H. Fagan" <lfagan@reed.edu>
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To: first.lady@Whitehouse.GOV
Errors-to: The Postmaster <postmaster@Whitehouse.GOV>
Reply-to: "Lisa H. Fagan" <lfagan@reed.edu>
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[Sender Information]

PERSONAL-NAME: Lisa H. Fagan
EMAIL-ADDRESS: lfagan@reed.edu
ORGANIZATION: n/a
RELATIONSHIP:
STREET-ADDRESS: 754 SE Linn
CITY: Portland
STATE-PROVINCE: OR
ZIP-CODE: 97202
COUNTRY: U.S.A.

[Message Information]

PURPOSE: Extend invitation to visit or speak
TOPIC: Children's Issues
AFFILIATION: Student - College or University
SUBJECT: at risk children in OR are not getting tested/treated for HIV

[Message]

Mrs. Clinton, I am not certain if this message will get to you personally, however I have tried contacting the CDC, as well as my local and state governments - noone has any answers for me. I am a Reed College graduate, while at Reed, I worked as a Residential Treatment Counselor with children who are wards of the state of Oregon. The children who I treated all had been

severely physically and/or sexually abused. In Oregon, these emotionally disturbed children are labelled "Level 5" because of the severity of their psychopathology. "Level 5" kids are too violent to be placed in foster care, residential treatment is their last hope before long-term institutionalization.

I appreciate all of the work that you and your husband have put into making children a priority in this country. And, I feel that you should know that these children, many of whom have been used in prostitution rings, and who have otherwise been exposed to multiple sexual partners, are not being tested (and therefore not treated) for HIV in Oregon. C.S.D. or Child & Family Services prohibits many of the group homes from testing their wards. They wish to refrain from stigmatizing the children further, or from labelling any child as HIV. However, C.S.D. already has labeled each child as high risk through their lengthy case records, and their Hepatitis status. I feel that by ignoring the presence of HIV in this population C.S.D. is perpetuating the neglect of these children. Oregon state law says that anyone old enough to talk may request an HIV test, but it is my understanding that C.S.D., as legal guardian of these kids, is not addressing this issue.

By placing an immunosuppressed child into residential treatment, we are forcing that child to live in close quarters (3-5 to a room usually) with other kids. Chicken Pox makes its rounds through these centers at least 2x's a year, to a child with AIDS, chicken pox could be life threatening. Also, most of these kids are extremely violent, which is why they don't last in foster care, many of them bite, scratch and urinate on other children as well as caretakers. It is difficult to address the issue of occupational exposures when no one knows the patient's status. Staff are told to use universal precautions but it is often the case that by the time the counselor has completed 6 months of post-exposure HIV testing, the client that attacked him/her has already been discharged. Many move out of the state to live with distant family members. Follow-up at that point would be difficult.

The institute that I worked for has been around for almost 100 years. It was originally an orphanage for children who fell off of wagons along the Oregon Trail. They do not want to turn the setting into a hospital. This very real issue needs to be addressed before it is too late. A friend of mine ran the

Multnomah County Health Department's HIV clinic in Portland, he told me that all legislation on HIV has come from test cases. I do not know if this is a fact, but it certainly would be nice to believe that the governments which should protect these children, would be proactive in this circumstance. Maybe if you came and talked to the state officials and public, we could begin to address this issue as a community. Please let me know what you think, Thank You for Your Time,

-LHF

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DEAR PRESIDENT CLINTON,

I DON'T KNOW IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT CAN BE
DONE AT THIS POINT, BUT IT ~~WONT~~ HURT. ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY
28, 1997, AIDS FOUNDATION SAN

DIEGO WAS CLOSED FOREVER. THE REASON GIVEN WAS BANKRUPTCY.
HOW CAN A ENTITY THAT IS FUNDED BY FEDERAL FUNDS AND PRIVATE

DONATIONS GO BANKRUPT ?! THIS WAS A PLACE THAT HUNDREDS OF

PEOPLE COUNTED

ON FOR ASSISTANCE IN DEALING WITH SOCIAL SECURITY, SOCIAL SERVICES, HOUSING, FOOD, COUNSELING, ETC. NOW IT IS GONE. TRUE, THERE ARE OTHER AGENCIES THAT WILL TRY TO

FILL THE GAP LEFT BY AFSD, BUT HARD AS THEY MAY TRY, THEY CAN'T. I MYSELF AM/WAS A CLIENT OF AFSD AND AM FORTUNATE

ENOUGH TO NOT NEED THE SERVICES AS MUCH AS OTHER PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY WILL. PEOPLE WHO DEPENDED ON AFSD FOR DAY TO DAY LIVING. PRESIDENT CLINTON, AS I STATED IN BEFORE, I DON'T

KNOW IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT CAN BE DONE, BUT ANYTHING THAT YOUR ADMINISTRATION CAN DO WOULD BE OF GREAT HELP. SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, RIGHT AFTER YOUR INAGURATION I WROTE TO YOU AND THE VICE PRESIDENT TO

CONGRATULATE YOU, I WAS NOT EXPECTING A RESPONSE, BUT IN THIS CASE ONE WOULD BE APPRECIATED. YOU HAVE BEEN THE PRESIDENT WHO HAS DONE THE MOST

FOR PEOPLE WITH HIV/AIDS, CAN YOU DO A LITTLE MORE AND TRY TO REVIVE AIDS FOUNDATION

SAN DIEGO ?
YOUR RESPONSE AND ASSISTANCE WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

RESPECTFULLY,

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**AIDS
TASKFORCE**

OF GREATER CLEVELAND

*A Community-Based
AIDS Service
Organization Serving
Greater Cleveland
Since 1983*

Carolyn M. Cockfield
African American Education Coordinator
AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland
2728 Euclid Ave. Suite 400
Cleveland, Ohio 44115-2412

President Bill Clinton
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington D.C. 20500

December 4, 1996

Dear President Clinton:

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In your letter to me dated April 30, 1996 (that I carry in my purse everywhere I go) you said, "I am seeking the most innovative approaches to address those challenges." The subject I was addressing was AIDS in the African American Community. Since your letter I was awarded the Ohio AIDS Service award by the Ohio Department of Health. I believe my plan for AIDS services and education in the Black community can work in any community if given the opportunity. Please put me in touch with the person you've put over AIDS, so that I can present my plan to them in person.

I want the opportunity to pilot the plan and see the results. I have a dream too.

Sincerely,

Carolyn M. Cockfield

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 29, 1996

Warm greetings to everyone participating in the National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS, organized by the Institute for Minority AIDS Prevention Studies at Emory University.

In one way or another, AIDS has touched each of our lives. Far too many people are dying from this disease, and far too many families are suffering from the fear, pain, and grief of its devastating effects. My Administration is dedicated to finding a cure for this epidemic, and I am grateful for the efforts of the countless individuals who, like all of you, seek to raise awareness of the disease and provide compassionate care to people with AIDS.

As you participate in this important event and unite with other committed individuals, I encourage each of you to reflect on the vital work that lies before us in the battle to stop the spread of HIV/AIDS. Together, we can fight this crisis and bring hope to those living with AIDS.

Hillary and I extend our best wishes for a wonderful event.

Bill Clinton



GEORGE V. VOINOVICH
GOVERNOR

STATE OF OHIO
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
COLUMBUS 43266-0601

A MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR GEORGE V. VOINOVICH

It has been well publicized that Cleveland has taken a leadership role in the fight for prevention of AIDS. It is therefore no surprise that the Institute for Minority AIDS Prevention Studies of Emory University has selected this area to participate in the "National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS."

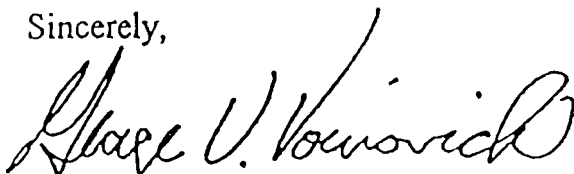
The AIDS epidemic has reached disproportionate rates among African-Americans. The incidence of AIDS in African-Americans continues to increase yearly. Ohio's African-Americans comprised 30 percent of the cumulative AIDS cases through December 1995. More than half of the women infected with AIDS in Ohio are African-American. We as a state have a responsibility to provide adequate HIV/AIDS services and information for the African-American community and the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland's UJIMA Plan has answered this challenge.

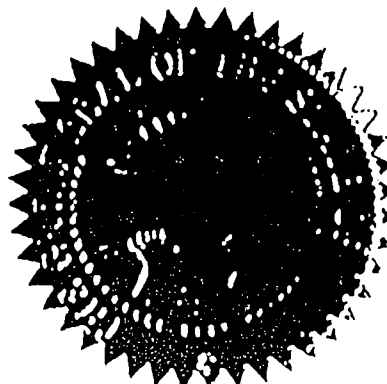
Recent data indicate that over 40 percent of all African-Americans attend a worship service once a week. This supports the need to utilize the churches for the healing of AIDS in the African-American communities. These types of programs and initiatives will continue to help provide unity (UMAJA) in cities in Ohio.

I am very pleased to recognize all participants of the "National Black Church Week of Prayer." I thank you for your efforts and dedication to HIV/AIDS education, outreach and services throughout Greater Cleveland and surrounding areas. This fight against AIDS requires the collaborative efforts of the entire state. To reduce further spread of HIV infection, we must continue to provide culturally and linguistically specific programs to the public through all possible avenues.

Welcome to this most appreciated and needed event, and I wish all of you great success in your endeavors.

Sincerely,


George V. Voinovich
Governor



Martin R. Hoke
10th District, Ohio

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January 29, 1996

Ms. Carolyn Cockfield
African American Coordinator
AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland
2250 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio 44115

Dear Ms. Cockfield,

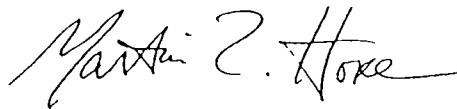
I am pleased to join the Greater Cleveland community in honoring those committed individuals and foundations who have contributed in the fight against HIV and AIDS in the minority community, especially the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland and its UJIMA Plan, the Full Gospel Evangelistic HIV/AIDS Ministry, as well as those churches and organizations participating in the "National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS." We can all be very proud that Cleveland was one of only ten cities selected to participate in this special week of prayer.

Your work and commitment clearly exemplifies the kind of leadership that has made our community strong. The AIDS Taskforce deserves special recognition for maintaining an organization dedicated to the prevention and fight against AIDS and the HIV virus. It is a fight we can win!

I wish all participants the best for the "National Black Church Week of Prayer and the Healing of AIDS." I know that it will be a tremendous success.

Kindest personal regards.

Very truly yours,



Martin R. Hoke
Member of Congress

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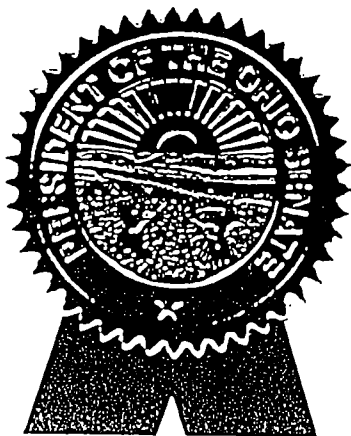
HONORING THE AIDS TASKFORCE OF GREATER CLEVELAND'S UJIMA PLAN

On behalf of the members of the Senate of the 121st General Assembly of Ohio, we are pleased to recognize the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland's UJIMA Plan during the National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS.

The AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland is truly deserving of high praise for the outstanding work done through its UJIMA Plan. Formed as the Health Issues Taskforce in 1983 by a group of concerned activists hoping to address the needs stemming from Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome in the Greater Cleveland area, the organization has focused on providing education, support services, and advocacy around this serious issue, and the goals of the taskforce's UJIMA Plan are to empower and educate the local African-American community about HIV/AIDS, to reduce the risk of HIV infection, and to enhance the quality of life for individuals who have already tested positive for HIV.

For the exemplary efforts of the UJIMA Plan, the City of Cleveland has been selected by the Institute for Minority AIDS Prevention Studies at Emory University as one of only ten cities across the nation to take part in the National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS. This prestigious honor is a fitting tribute to the taskforce, and we are proud to note that it is through the unceasing efforts of organizations such as this that Ohio has gained a reputation as a state which is responsive to the problems and issues facing its communities.

Thus, it is with sincere pleasure that we congratulate the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland's UJIMA Plan for being selected to participate in the National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS.



Stanley J. Aronoff
Senator Stanley J. Aronoff
President of the Ohio Senate

Jeffrey D. Johnson
Senator Jeffrey D. Johnson
21st Senatorial District



OHIO SENATE

HONORING THE AIDS TASKFORCE OF GREATER CLEVELAND UJIMA PLAN DURING NATIONAL BLACK CHURCH WEEK OF PRAYER FOR THE HEALING OF AIDS

On behalf of the members of the Senate of the 121st General Assembly of Ohio, we are pleased to extend special recognition to the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland UJIMA Plan for its participation in the National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS, March 2-9, 1996.

The National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS is, indeed, a fitting time to pay tribute to the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland UJIMA Plan, for this fine organization has achieved a praiseworthy record of service to the community. AIDS has had a disproportionate effect on Ohio's African-American population, and Cleveland was one of only ten U.S. cities selected by Emory University's Institute for Minority AIDS Prevention Studies in Atlanta to participate in the Week of Prayer because of the efforts of the taskforce's UJIMA Plan to reduce the incidence of HIV/AIDS in these communities. The organization's exemplary work is a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection not only on the taskforce itself, but also on its dedicated staff and volunteers, and on the Greater Cleveland area as well.

Over the years, the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland UJIMA Plan has enhanced the quality of life within the surrounding area, and its generous contributions have earned it the gratitude and respect of the many citizens it has so capably served. We are certain that as this worthy agency maintains its dedication to service, it will continue in the tradition of excellence which has been the hallmark of the organization since its establishment.

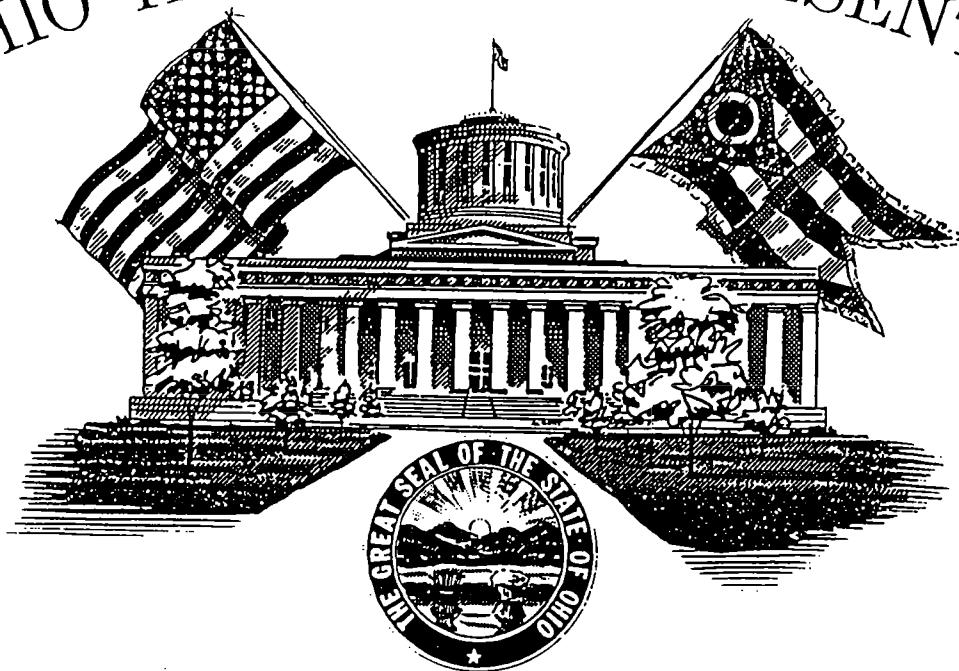
Thus, with great pleasure, we commend the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland UJIMA Plan during the National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS and salute all those taking part in this special event.



Stanley J. Aronoff
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THE OHIO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF
REPRESENTATIVE TROY LEE JAMES
HOUSE DISTRICT #10

On behalf of the members of the House of Representatives of the 121st General Assembly of Ohio,
we are pleased to congratulate the

AIDS TASKFORCE OF GREATER CLEVELAND

on the effectiveness of its acclaimed UJIMA Plan.

Seldom is an undertaking of this kind as thoughtfully conceived, expertly managed, and enthusiastically supported as the Taskforce's UJIMA Plan, which emphasizes collective work and responsibility as it squarely addresses the high incidence of HIV/AIDS in the local African-American population. Those who developed and implemented this fine program merit praise for making such a concerted effort to heighten awareness of all aspects of the disease, to curb its alarming proliferation by championing healthy choices, and to provide extensive educational and therapeutic support for its victims and their families. It is a credit to the UJIMA Plan that Cleveland has been named one of ten American cities chosen by Emory University's Institute for Minority AIDS Prevention Studies to participate in the National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS, March 2-9, 1996.

Many area residents have benefited from the Taskforce's essential services, and the organization is to be heartily commended for its constructive efforts. With a wealth of energy, compassion, and expertise, Taskforce members have shown how very much can be accomplished by a group of conscientious people. Clearly, their battle against a truly sinister affliction has averted and alleviated much human suffering.

Thus, with great pleasure, we applaud the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland for its UJIMA Plan and extend best wishes for the success of this worthwhile initiative.

Troy Lee James

Jo Ann Davidson
JO ANN DAVIDSON
SPEAKER OF THE OHIO
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

R E S O L U T I O N

Supporting the AIDS Taskforce's UJIMA Plan African
American Education and Action Initiative.

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland has been selected by the Institute for Minority AIDS Prevention Studies of Emory University as one of ten cities to participate in the "National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS" because of the work done by the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland's UJIMA Plan.

WHEREAS, the UJIMA Plan is the AIDS task Force's African American Education and Action Initiative.

WHEREAS, March 2-9, 1996 has been proclaimed the "National Black Church Week of Prayer".

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland is the only city representing the midwestern region of the United States to participate in the "National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of Aids".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, that the Cuyahoga County Board of Commissioners supports the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland's UJIMA Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board be, and she is, hereby instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Carolyn Cockfield; Ujima, 2728 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland Ohio 44115; and to Pastor Michael Exum, Full Gospel Evangelistic Assembly.

On Motion of Commissioner Hagan, seconded by Commissioner Weingart, the foregoing resolution was duly adopted.

Ayes: Hagan, Weingart, Boyle.

Nays: None.

Resolution Adopted.

Marjorie J. Pettus
Clerk of the Board

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MARJORIE J. PETTUS, CLERK OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CUYAHOGA COUNTY, OHIO, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE, CORRECT AND EXACT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL OF A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY SAID BOARD ON THE 23rd DAY OF

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Marjorie J. Pettus



City of Cleveland

RESOLUTION OF RECOGNITION

For Council President Jay Westbrook

By Councilmen Britt, Coats, Jackson, Johnson, Lewis, McGuirk, Melena, Miller, O'Malley, Patmon, Patton, Paulenske, Polensek, Robinson, Rokakis, Rybka, Smith, White, Willis, Zone.

WHEREAS, this Council is most pleased to learn that the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland will participate in the National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS, which will be observed March 1-9, 1996 in Cleveland, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, statistics indicate that African-Americans are disproportionately affected by HIV/AIDS representing 12% of the U.S. population, but over 40% of reported AIDS cases; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cleveland's Title I status, ranking Ohio 13th in the nation with the highest number of persons known to be infected with HIV, calls for serious dedication to the reduction of the incidence of this disease; and

WHEREAS, this Council commends the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland's UJIMA Plan and the tireless work of its members for its orchestration and participation in the "National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS", which will help the City of Cleveland to gain recognition as a leader in innovative and creative approaches to HIV/AIDS reduction in communities of color. To its credit, Cleveland is the only city representing the Midwest in this endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Council further salutes the efforts of the Community HIV/AIDS Ministry of the Full Gospel Evangelistic Center for the work it has done to provide comfort and support to those individuals infected and affected by HIV/AIDS; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that this Council recognizes the outstanding contributions and commitment of the AIDS Taskforce of Greater Cleveland; designates the week of March 1-9, 1996 as the "National Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS"; and further wishes everyone involved continued success in this noteworthy endeavor.

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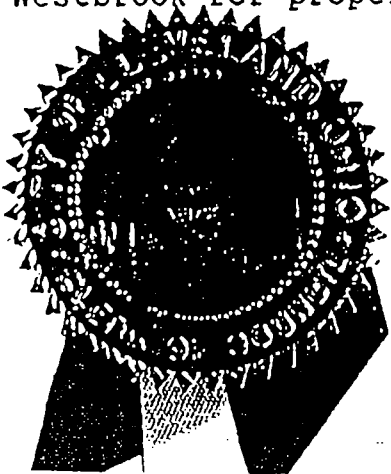
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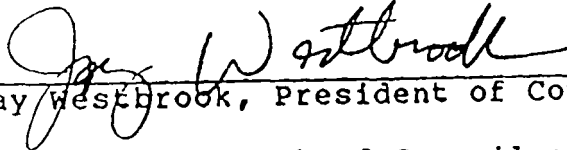
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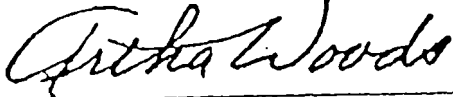
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of Council be and she is hereby requested to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Council President Jay Westbrook for proper presentation.




Jay Westbrook, President of Council

I, Artha Woods, Clerk of Council of the City of Cleveland, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of this Resolution of Recognition.

WITNESS my hand and seal at Cleveland, Ohio, this Twenty-sixth day of January, 1996.


Artha Woods, Clerk of Council

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"Remember their Names."

— NAMES PROJECT —

B4 Thursday, May 8, 1997

Funerals and Memorials



Jose Luis Montes

May 2, 1972 - May 7, 1997

*Mijo,
You always ran the race to win and
never gave in. This time you've come in
first again, the greatest prize you re-
ceived. Follow the light, my son, and
when you receive your angel wings,
please don't forget to look back down on
us. Then when it's our time to join you...
meet us at heaven's gate and we'll have a
great reunion. Goodbye, my son... reach
for the light... hold Jesus' hand, and
baby, I promise you'll never be alone. I
love you always.*

Mom
Jose Luis Montes went to be with his
Lord Jesus after a terminal illness. Jose
was born May 2, 1972, in El Paso, Texas.

He was a resident of Houston and Austin. He was a free and happy-spirited person, always wanting to play basketball and help anyone in anyway possible. He went to Zavala Elementary, then on to Martin Junior High, and finally to Austin/Reagan High Schools. He became a certified nurse's assistant and worked with elderly and AIDS patients in private duty. He will be missed by all who he came in contact with and loved.

He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Chavela Montes.

Jose is survived by his loving partner, Bonifacio Ostiqin; and his mother, Barbara Seigert. He also leaves to cherish his memory three brothers, Chico Montes and wife, Maria, Tony Montes and James Seigert; his sisters, Maria Dominica, Barbara Montes-Marin and husband, Christopher; god-daughter, Selena Marie Montes; nephew, Christopher Damian Marin; nieces, Daryan Mystique Marin and Christina Marie Montes.

Jose will be missed by all of us who loved him and his many friends in Houston and Austin.

Family will receive visitors at Angel Funeral Home, 1600 S. First Street, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Thursday. Prayer service will be at 7:00 p.m. Thursday at Angel Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Friday at 2:00 p.m. at Baptist Temple at 1804 Canterbury at Chicon, with Reverend Derald Dugger and Reverend Thomas Palmer officiating. Interment will follow in Assumption Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Christopher Marin, Israel Galindo, Julio Galindo, Jack Leake, Roy Pollack, and Roberto Villalobos. Honorary pallbearers will be Boni Ostiqin, Chico Montes, Tony Montes, James Seigert, Barbara Marin, and Maria Dominica.

Memorial contributions may be sent to AIDS Services of Austin, David Powell Clinic or Hospice of Austin.

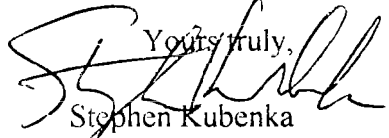
Boni and I wish to thank all the people who helped with Jose's care, from Herman Hospital in Houston to all the special care here in Austin. Special thanks to our angels who got us through this ordeal: Natoma, Dr. Blair, Paula, Neida, Becky, Martha, and all the others who touched our lives (God bless each and every one).

Funeral services under the direction of Samuel DeLeon & Son/Angel Funeral Home, 1600 S. First Street, 441-9738.

Our government's indifference to the epidemic of AIDS has contributed to this cherished citizen's death, and its continued dereliction will yield another tragic and needless death to be announced in tomorrow's newspaper. The loss of potential, ability, and joy to our community and to our nation by this untimely death is inestimable and inexcusable.

A cure for AIDS *is* achievable with our nation's great resources. Every avenue of AIDS research *must* be explored — with government funding vastly expanded without delay. Tomorrow is one day too late!

Your office and your position of leadership can provide a pivotal and historic contribution to the end of this modern-day holocaust. Please perform one act of compassion *today* — a declaration of the urgency of AIDS in your next speech, a phone call to the National Institutes of Health lending your support toward the strengthening of the Office of AIDS Research (OAR), a visit to an AIDS ward or hospice — to fight AIDS in honor of the memory of this valued citizen.

Yours truly,

Stephen Kubenka
2002-C Sharon Lane
Austin, Texas 78703



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Ashley Raines
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Office of Policy Development

COMMENTS: Good news! Please share w/ Eric & Sandy.



U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
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EXEC. OF THE PRESIDENT
MEMORANDUM ADMIN.

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Ms. Ashley L. Raines
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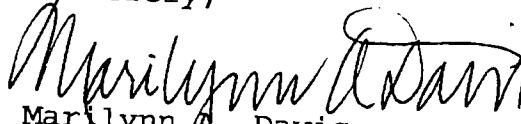
Dear Ms. Raines:

Thank you for the interagency agreement for the administrative support of the Interdepartmental Task Force on AIDS for fiscal year 1997.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) supports this interdepartmental effort and has agreed to provide funding in the amount of \$259,000. I have enclosed the signed Memorandum of Understanding which specifically outlines HUD's undertaking of this effort and the details of the financial provisions.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,


Marilynn A. Davis
Assistant Secretary

Enclosure

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 26, 1997

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451 7th Street, SW, Room 10110
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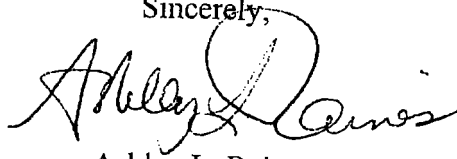
Dear Ms. Davis,

Attached is the interagency agreement for the administrative support of the Interdepartmental Task Force on AIDS. The total FY97 request is for \$130,000 which is approximately \$15,000 over the FY96 amount. I have attached the breakdown of projected expenses for FY97, in addition to the FY96 actual expenses already billed to HUD.

HUD should continue to pay GSA directly for the office space occupied by the AIDS Office which is currently \$129,000. On April 11, 1997, the AIDS Office will be moving from 750 17th Street to 808 17th Street as a result of the expansion of the Office of National Drug Control Policy at 750 17th Street. I have attached a letter GSA sent to Fred Green explaining that the rent rates will not be affected in FY97.

I look forward to receiving the signed agreement. Please contact me at (202) 456-2023 with any questions. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Ashley L. Raines
Fund Manager
Office of Policy Development

Attachments

08/01/97 11:00

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

THE OFFICE OF POLICY DEVELOPMENT
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

and

THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

I. BACKGROUND:

The White House established in 1995 an interdepartmental team responsible for coordinating policy development and public outreach on HIV/AIDS Policy. This group is referred to as the Interdepartmental Task Force on AIDS.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is actively involved in this interdepartmental effort and has a substantial stake in the success of the Task Force's work. HUD is the only agency contributing financial support to the Task Force during Fiscal Year 1997. The Office of Policy Development (OPD), Executive Office of the President, will provide administrative services to the Task Force on HUD's behalf.

II. AUTHORITY:

This agreement is entered into under the authority of 31 U.S.C. § 1346 (b).

III. THE UNDERTAKING:

Under this interagency agreement, OPD agrees to provide administrative support, on HUD's behalf, to the Task Force. The cost of such support shall not exceed \$130,000 in fiscal year 1997. HUD agrees to make advances to OPD up to the foregoing amount for its expenditures for providing such support. Administrative services include but are not limited to: requisitioning of goods and services, funds management, and liaison with other agencies in the Executive Office of the President.

HUD will be billed directly through OPAC by GSA for the costs associated with the space occupied by the Interdepartmental Task Force on AIDS.

HUD will be represented on the interdepartmental team by the Secretary or his or her designee(s).

IV. PERIOD OF AGREEMENT:

This agreement commences October 1, 1996 and shall remain in effect until September 30, 1997. The paragraphs herein memorialize the understandings, terms and agreements pursuant to which each involved organization shall act. This agreement may be modified with the advance written consent of both parties.

V. NOTICE:

All acquisitions made under this agreement shall comply with the Competition in Contracting Act, Pub. L. 98-369.

All capitalized equipment (equipment with a per item value in excess of \$1,000 and a useful life exceeding one year), including computer hardware, telefax machines, and other equipment purchased for this project with HUD funds will be returned to HUD at the end of this agreement unless the parties enter into a follow-on agreement that provides otherwise.

No portion of these funds will be used to support publicity or propaganda activities prohibited by section 507 of Public Law 103-123, the Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government Appropriations Act, 1995; by the Anti-Lobbying Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1913; or by any other applicable law.

VI. PROGRAM/TECHNICAL LIAISON OFFICERS:

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Fred G. Karnas, Jr.
Director of HIV/AIDS Housing
U.S. Department of Housing
and Urban Development
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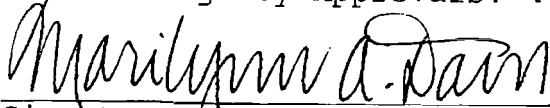
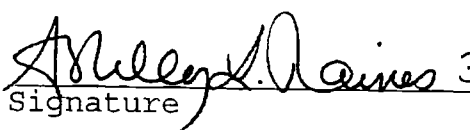
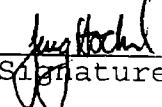
Jurg Hochuli
Director, Financial Management
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VII. FINANCIAL PROVISIONS:

With the approval of the agreement, OPD will bill HUD for an advance of funds not to exceed an annual amount of \$130,000 via the On-line payment and Collection System (OPAC). Such request will cite the number of this agreement, appropriation symbol and other accounting identification codes.

Each quarter, OPD will provide HUD with itemized charges to support the use of the advances. The total amount of expenditures under this agreement shall not exceed \$130,000, in fiscal year 1997. Upon submission of the final quarterly list of itemized charges under this agreement, OPD will provide to HUD a final reconciliation of the advances to the actual costs. OPD will then refund via OPAC any resulting outstanding balances.

VIII. APPROVALS:

Customer Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Fred G. Karnas, Jr. Director of HIV/AIDS Housing U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, DC 20410 ALC: Appropriation Symbol:	Servicing Agency: Executive Office of the President Ashley L. Raines Administrator/Fund Manager Office of Policy Development Washington, DC 20502 ALC: 11010003 Appropriation Symbol: 1172200
Customer Agency Approvals: .  Signature _____ Date _____ Marilynn A. Davis Assistant Secretary for Administration U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	Servicing Agency Approvals:  3/27/97 Signature _____ Date _____ Ashley L. Raines Administrator/Fund Manager Office of Policy Development
	 3/27/97 Signature _____ Date _____ Jurg Hochuli Associate Director, Financial Management Division Office of Administration

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To Support Staff: _____

Date of Response: _____

John F. Spickerman, Jr.
1367 Ragley Hall Road, North East
Atlanta, Georgia 30319
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Monday, April 28, 1997

Dear Sandy,

Pardon my being so late in getting this off to you. However, I do want to applaud your appointment as Director of the Office of Aids Policy.

As president of the Board of Project Open Hand, Atlanta, I know what you are facing, especially in trying to educate the masses as to who is actually affected by this disease, and then the battle you are facing in getting funds for education, research and care of those already affected.

My hat goes off to you and your Department.

Please do not hesitate to call on me if I can ever be of any service to you or your organization. Cherry and I support you with our fullest.

Good luck & God bless you.

Sincerely,
John

**Office of
National AIDS Policy**

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The Assembly State of New York Albany

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*For your information
Please hand to successor.*

April 11, 1997

Ms. Pat Fleming
Director, National AIDS Policy
200 Independence Avenue, S.W. Room 508E
Washington, NY 20201

Dear Ms. Fleming:

As you may know, Senator Guy Velella and I have recently introduced legislation which will establish an HIV/AIDS spousal notification program in New York State.

Over 100,000 people have developed full blown AIDS in our state since the beginning of the epidemic -- more than 45,000 of them through sexual contact. Because HIV infection, unlike AIDS, is not reportable, we do not know exactly how many others have been infected, but it is safe to assume that the number may be in the hundreds of thousands.

As infection rates among gay men have been leveling off, they continue to rise among women, with injection drug use or sexual contact with an injection drug user accounting for 75% of those cases. While there are active campaigns to promote clean needles for IV drug users and condom use for sexually active individuals, reality dictates that neither of these approaches makes sense for a spouse who has no reason to believe that he or she is at risk. Obviously, for wives who believe that they are in a monogamous relationship and who are trying to have children, condom use is meaningless. While my proposed legislation is gender neutral, the nature of HIV transmission is such that men are infecting women at much higher rates than women are infecting men.

Because 86% of AIDS cases occur to people in their prime child bearing years, there has been a tenfold increase in the annual number of deaths of women with AIDS, leaving thousands of children without mothers. In New York, in 1996, an estimated 4,500 children younger than 21 years of age lost their mothers to HIV/AIDS, more than twice as many as those lost to cancer and motor vehicle

accidents combined. By the year 2000, HIV/AIDS will leave more children motherless than will all other causes of maternal death combined, with the number of AIDS orphans estimated at 58,000 by the year 2001, many of whom will themselves be infected.

Given these numbers and the fact that the current program of partner notification operated by the State is an abysmal failure, the need for reform is undeniable. In New York City in 1993, some 18,000 positive HIV tests were performed but only 350 sexual partners of those who tested positive were notified through the program operated by the city's Department of Health.

My legislation is based upon the successful tuberculosis law that has resulted in a dramatic decrease in the incidence of TB in New York City. It creates a duty on the part of physicians and health care workers, local health commissioners and coroners to report cases of HIV and AIDS to the State Department of Health. It then requires municipal health commissioners to notify the spouses of the individuals tested that they may have been exposed.

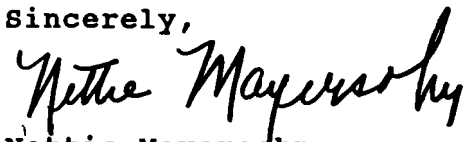
This legislation, while protecting the confidentiality of the "Index Patient", will begin the process of treating HIV/AIDS in the same manner as we now treat other transmissible diseases. It has the potential to save countless lives while assuring that infected and exposed individuals are given a chance to get treatment at the earliest possible stage in the progression of the disease, when it is most effective.

Unfortunately, the history of the epidemic demonstrates that political, not public health concerns, have too often hampered our efforts to stem the epidemic. The determined effort that led to the passage of the "Baby AIDS" law -- and the overwhelming public support it received -- may very well have marked the beginning of real changes in the failed policies of the past, which actually encouraged the spread of the disease rather than diminished it. An effective spousal notification program could continue to move our state in the right direction by applying traditional public health measures to this disease.

I am therefore asking for your support of this legislation and requesting that you or your organization provide me with a letter or memorandum to that effect. Copies of the legislation and the bill memorandum are available upon request. If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Nettie Mayersohn".

Nettie Mayersohn
Member of Assembly

**Office of
National AIDS Policy**

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From: Ellen M. Weber

Letter Sent to Policy Review - cc Sandy Shuman

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May 1, 1997

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Policy Review

5600 Fishers Lane, Room a-55
Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Policy Review Committee:

We are writing to respond to your most recent draft policy setting out the permissible uses of Ryan White CARE Act funds under Titles I and II. We are deeply concerned about the proposed authorization of such funds to test for illicit drug use. We urge you to delete that provision.

We oppose this proposed policy for several reasons. First, the proposal does not limit drug testing for any particular use. While drug testing is used by drug treatment programs as **one** indicator of treatment progress, it is used by many others as a means to identify and take punitive action against individuals who use drugs illegally. Because the proposal would not limit funding to testing that is done for diagnostic purposes in the context of alcohol and drug treatment or other health services, we are very concerned that it will be used for the latter purpose. In our view, it is poor public policy to allow scarce federal resources to be used to target and possibly exclude individuals with one of the highest rates of HIV from desperately needed health and other services; particularly services that help individuals prevent transmission of HIV to others.

Second, the cost of accurate drug testing is high. Experts agree that to ensure accurate urine testing an entity must: (1) establish strict procedural safeguards to ensure that samples are not contaminated and the "chain of custody" is preserved and well documented; (2) use a laboratory that has been certified as conforming to NIDA testing standards; and (3) confirm all positive test results by a second, more accurate and specific test, such as gas chromatography with mass spectrometry (GC/MS). The cost of this type of testing varies depending upon the volume of tests, but prices range from \$42-76 per test in New York to \$35 (for large volumes) to \$65 in Philadelphia. **Scarce resources should be used to provide, not deny, care.**

To the extent testing is being contemplated for purposes of diagnosis to aid in a client's overall care, there are cheaper, more effective assessments that can be done. Indeed, it is well known that drug tests provide no information about an individual's pattern of drug use or the severity of a problem. A drug test provides no insight into an individual's ability to comply with an HIV treatment regimen or future drug use. It simply identifies whether drugs have been used at some point in the recent past. An individualized assessment of a client is a far more effective way to determine whether one is using drugs, the scope of a problem and appropriate response.

Finally, it is important to note that, under Title III of the ADA (the public accommodations provision) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, an AIDS service provider is prohibited from denying health services to individuals who currently engage in the illegal use of drugs, to the extent the individual is otherwise entitled to such services. While individuals with current drug problems are not protected against discrimination generally under the ADA or the Rehabilitation Act, Congress explicitly prohibited such discrimination in the receipt of health services to ensure that these individuals could get the health care they need to recover.¹ Thus, if AIDS service providers were to use drug testing to single out and deny health services to individuals who are qualified for such services but have a drug problem, their actions could be challenged as violative of Title III of the ADA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Such action would also violate the assurance that recipients of Ryan White funds sign requiring compliance with all federal nondiscrimination statutes.

This does not mean that an AIDS service provider is not permitted to establish program policies or standards to which all clients must comply. Clearly, a provider may, under Title III and the Rehabilitation Act, determine whether an individual complies with legitimate, non-discriminatory requirements of its program and exclude those who do not. But to do so solely on the basis on current use of drugs is unlawful. In our view, HRSA's policies should not open the door to such practices by authorizing the funding of drug testing.

¹ Section 510(c) of the ADA provides:

Notwithstanding subsection (a) and section 511(b)(3), an individual shall not be denied health services, or services provided in connection with drug rehabilitation, on the basis of the current illegal use of drugs if the individual is otherwise entitled to such services.

Section 7(8)(C)(iii) of the Rehabilitation Act similarly provides:

Notwithstanding clause (i), for purposes of programs and activities providing health services..., an individual shall not be excluded from the benefits of such programs or activities on the basis of his or her current illegal use of drugs if he or she is otherwise entitled to such services.

While we have not been able to ascertain the purpose underlying this proposal, we believe that the potential for harm far outweighs any possible benefit. Given the limited value of information obtained from a drug test, the high cost of accurate testing, the availability of cheaper, more effective assessment tools and the high risk of discriminatory decision-making, we urge you to delete this proposal.

Thank you for considering our views. Please feel free to contact us if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ellen M. Weber". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ellen" being more prominent than the last name "Weber".

Ellen M. Weber
Director of National Policy

cc: ✓ Sandra Thurman
Earl Fox, M.D.
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May 28, 1997

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Enclosed is a new NASTAD *Issue Brief* which focuses on health insurance continuity programs for persons living with HIV (PLWHIV). This report takes a comprehensive look at Ryan White CARE Act and state health insurance continuity programs for PLWHIV, which are designed to maintain existing private health insurance policies and in some states buy new coverage for uninsured/underinsured individuals. This report was researched and written with the support of a grant from The George Gund Foundation.

As the report points out, although these programs have been relatively small in terms of budgets and clients served over the years, they have more recently received renewed attention due to their potential for cost savings, their potential avenue for accessing antiretroviral therapies and reducing the strain on ADAPs, and key reforms in health insurance which may allow broader coverage for individuals, under certain conditions, regardless of pre-existing conditions like HIV/AIDS.

NASTAD is pleased to share this continuing series of *Issue Briefs* with our national partners in HIV/AIDS care and prevention. Please feel free to copy and share this report with other colleagues.

Sincerely,

Joseph F. Kelly

Joseph F. Kelly
Deputy Director

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