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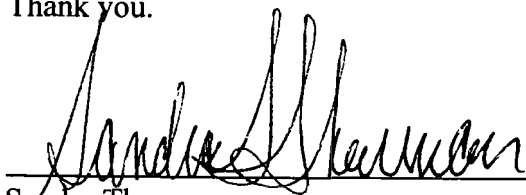
National Institutes of Health
Bethesda, Maryland 20892

DATE: June 9, 1997

NOTE TO: NIH Cashier
Building 31, Room B1B22

I authorize Ida Warren, Program Assistant, Office of AIDS Research, OD, NIH to Pick up my Domestic Travel Voucher Reimbursement WQN60385 in the amount of \$ 233.50.

Thank you.



Sandra Thurman
Presidential Advisory Council

June 12, 1997
Date



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TRAVELER: SANDRA THURMAN SSN: (b)(6)
TITLE: PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL VOUCHER STATUS: AO APPROVED
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CONTACT: SHERRI COOPER-SMITH BLDG: 31 RM: 4B54 TEL: 3014023357
EMPLOYEE CODE: CIVILIAN

RECOMMENDED BY: LINDA JACKSON TITLE: PROGRAM COORDINATOR
AUTHORIZED BY: DARLENE BLOCKER TITLE: ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

PURPOSE: TO ATTEND THE PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HIV/AIDS ON
APRIL 24-26, 1996.

ITINERARY: WASHNGTN DC/ATLANTA

***** SUMMARY *****

	OC	COST
TRANSPORTATION/MISC. EXPENSES (EXCLUDING GTA):		.00
REGISTRATION COST:	252W	.00
PER DIEM (MEALS & LODGING):	2151	123.50
OTHER EXPENSES:	2151	110.00

TOTAL EXPENSES:		233.50
GTR#	APPROP#: 0846	GTA COST: 447.00
SPONSOR(S) OWE NIH: .00	SPONSOR(S) IN CASH/KIND:	.00
	TOTAL COST:	680.50
	PAID TRAVEL ADVANCE:	.00
	ADDITIONAL AMOUNT DUE TRAVELER:	233.50

VOUCHER WILL BE PAID BY AGENT CASHIER!

***** AUTHORIZATION *****

4/4 [Signature] [Signature]
DATE SIGNATURE (AUTHORIZED BY) TITLE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE ITEMIZED EXPENSES AND ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION. PAYMENT IS RECOMMENDED.

6/12 [Signature]
DATE SIGNATURE (TRAVELER)

I CERTIFY, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THIS VOUCHER IS COMPLETE.

***** BRING SIGNED VOUCHER AND RECEIPTS TO AGENT CASHIER *****

AID Atlanta

1438 West Peachtree St., NW
Suite 100
Atlanta, GA 30309-2955

Office: 404-872-0600
Fax: 404-885-6799

SLT-

This is what your quote
will be
on the Walk Brochure.
Dan

June 30, 1997

To: Daniel Montoya

From: Edward Marshall
Acting Director of Development
(404) 872-0600

The quote will read as:

"As an Atlantan, it is encouraging to see the response of our community in contributing time and money in the fight against AIDS. Though there is hope for many living with HIV/AIDS, the need for critical support services continues to grow. You can make a difference by walking on October 19th. Thank you for your support!"

Sandra Thurman
Director, Office of National AIDS Policy

*File -
NIA - pediatric AIDS*

June 19, 1997

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Horner
5411 York Road
Fort Belvoir, Virginia 22060

Dear Pat and Mike:

I was deeply saddened to learn of Brandy's death.

Brandy was a remarkable young woman who battled against AIDS with great courage and honor. She was a true hero, and I will treasure the memory of my conversation with her. I know this is a difficult time for you and your family, but I hope that you will be able to take comfort in remembering the joy and love that Brandy brought into the lives of so many.

Hillary and I extend our deepest sympathy. We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

BILL CLINTON

BC/RSM/ech-emu-jfc (Corres. #3557179)
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cc: Jim Dorskind/TDS, Room 94

cc: Sandy Thurman, AIDS Policy *hwc*

cc: Wayna Wondwossen, Room 93

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

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5/27/97

National Cancer Institute
National Institutes of Health
Building 10, Room 13N240
Bethesda, Maryland 20892
Office: (301) 402-0199
FAX: (301) 402-0575

May 16, 1997

William Jefferson Clinton
President of The United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C.

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

5/23/97

RE:

(b)(6)

[002]

Dear Mr. President,

On behalf of the professional staff of the Pediatric HIV Working Group, NCI and the (b)(6) family, I want to convey our sincere thanks to you for taking the time to personally call Brandy (b)(6) and follow-up your conversation with a handwritten note to her. We all got a tremendous laugh from her description of the third degree interrogation she put you through because she initially really couldn't believe that The President of The United States was actually calling her. Once she was convinced that indeed you were "legitimate", she relayed that she was "in such a state of shock I couldn't think of anything else to say". Nevertheless, both she and her family were thrilled that Brandy was the recipient of such a high honor. We are very cognizant of what an extraordinary gesture this was on your behalf, given your busy schedule and tremendous obligations and responsibilities as President.

Your call was part of several very important events that took place during the remaining weeks of Brandy's life, which profoundly affected her and the lives of those around her. Sadly, Brandy died this past week on May 13, 1997. Even those deaths which are anticipated are still never easy. However, Brandy left us with an incredible legacy of strength of spirit and courage of heart that will continue to inspire the efforts of all the scientists, physicians, care providers, families and ordinary citizens who are fighting to eliminate the scourge of this devastating disease.

Thank you for your leadership in the fight against HIV infection and AIDS on a national level and for your willingness to convey your concern on a most personal level to a young girl who fought this illness with everything she had. Through sustained laboratory and clinical research efforts, we will continue to develop and investigate new drugs and approaches to treatment that will benefit as many HIV-infected children and young adults as possible.

Thank you again for all your past and continued efforts on behalf of children and their families facing the challenge of cancer and HIV disease.

With Sincere Appreciation,

Lauren V. Wood, M.D.
Senior Clinical Investigator
Head, Pediatric HIV Working Group
HIV and AIDS Malignancy Branch, National Cancer Institute



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

4/25/07

Dear Brandy

After we talked yesterday
I got your letter and my answers
and re-read them.

I promise you I'll do all I can
to find a cure for AIDS and to keep
developing medicines like protease
inhibitors that are helping so many
live longer, better lives.

I'm glad we got to talk yesterday.
I know it's hard for you now. My prayers
are with you. Thank you again for writing.
God bless you.

Sincerely,

Barack Clinton

June 19, 1997

Lauren V. Wood, M.D.
Senior Clinical Investigator
Department of
Health and Human Services
National Cancer Institute
Building 10, Room 13N240
National Institutes of Health
Bethesda, Maryland 20892

Dear Lauren:

Thank you for your letter informing me of Brandy Horner's death. I was sorry to learn the sad news and wrote her family to express my deepest sympathy.

I am honored that Brandy felt such joy upon receiving my phone call. She was a remarkable young woman who battled against AIDS with great courage and honor, and she remains an inspiration to us all.

I remain committed to fighting for the needs of people living with HIV and AIDS. Funding for AIDS research, prevention, and care will remain a top priority of my Administration. I commend the National Cancer Institute and the staff of the Pediatric HIV Working Group for everything you are doing to help us eradicate this terrible disease.

Sincerely,

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~~cc: Jim Dorskind/TDS, Room 94~~
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 2, 1997

Jim McDermott
Member of Congress
2349 Rayburn Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-4707

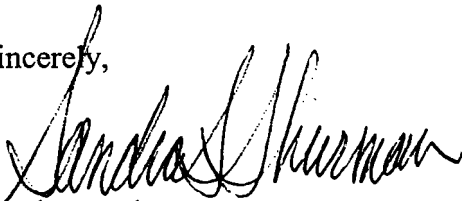
Dear Congressman McDermott:

Thank you for your letter of congratulations. There are many obstacles on the road to ending this epidemic and it is only with the efforts of dedicated leaders like yourself that we will emerge victorious.

We have made great strides toward helping people living with HIV/AIDS, but there is still a long way to go before this epidemic is over. As you know, the President has recently launched an AIDS Vaccine Initiative aimed at bringing together experts from around the world to develop a vaccine within the next ten years. Governmental encouragement such as this initiative and your Congressional Task Force of International HIV/AIDS is essential to the effort to bring an end to this epidemic.

Again, thank you for your letter and for your tireless efforts to help people living with HIV/AIDS. I look forward to working with you in the battle against this epidemic.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 2, 1997

Frank Spooner
Caseworker Assistant
Office of Congressman Sanford Bishop
Suite 216, Albany Towers
235 Roosevelt Ave.
Albany, GA 31701

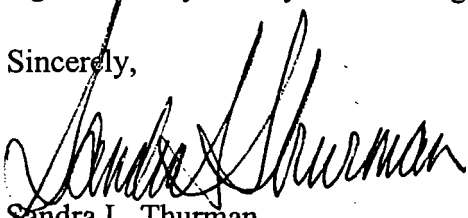
Dear Mr. Spooner:

Thank you for your letter of congratulations and your own dedication to helping those in need. It is with great excitement that I embark upon this challenge to steer the course of the nation's AIDS policy. I have supreme confidence that our efforts will be successful, knowing that there are caring and understanding workers like yourself on the front lines.

As you mentioned in your letter, experience with the individuals suffering from this disease provides one with a unique perspective on the true nature of the HIV/AIDS epidemic. The time I spent working firsthand with people living with HIV in Atlanta exposed me to the hardships which HIV positive persons face, and the courage with which they confront them. It makes me proud to hear that a fellow Mercer graduate is out there helping others conquer this disease.

Again, thank you for your encouragement.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy

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WASHINGTON

July 2, 1997

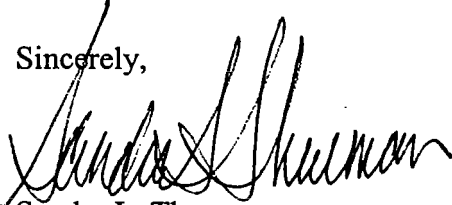
Pandora Singleton
Executive Director
Project Azuka
P.O. Box 9173
Savannah, GA 31402

Dear Ms. Pandora:

Thank you for your letter of congratulations and the commitment which Project Azuka has shown to people living with HIV/AIDS. As you are well aware, the epidemic has increased dramatically among women of color. Your work and the efforts of Project Azuka are paramount in working to decrease the rates of infection in women of color.

Again, thank you for your letter, and keep up the fight.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman

OFFICE OF NATIONAL AIDS POLICY EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

808 17th Street, N.W., 8th Floor
Washington, DC 20006

Phone: 202-632-1090
Fax: 202-632-1096

FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

TO: Jeff Cheek

FAX NUMBER: 404-897-1225

FROM: Sandra L. Thurman

DATE: June 27, 1997

PAGES INCLUDING COVER SHEET: 2

COMMENTS:

Letter to Atlanta Pride Celebration

Linn Cothren

(404) 871-2966

He said "bisexual,"

"transgendered," etc.

We ✓

a: pride

Jeff Cheek (404) 897-1225

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 29, 1997

Dear Friends:

For twenty-seven years now Atlanta's lesbian and gay community has been coming together to show their pride. It is with great honor that I join voices with you in support of the Atlanta Gay and Lesbian Pride Celebration. On this day it is important for us all to remember America's history of drawing strength from diversity. We are stronger when we celebrate our differences as a source of vitality, not of division. And we will be stronger in the coming century through a rededication to the principles of appreciation and inclusion of all people. Our success as a nation will depend upon it.

While we have come a long way, the struggle to end discrimination against gay and lesbian Americans is not over. We cannot rest until the civil rights of every citizen in our society are guaranteed. As many of you know, I have dedicated much of my life to caring for people living with HIV/AIDS. For many, the fight to conquer this epidemic has been compounded by a struggle to overcome homophobia and discrimination. We must continue to fight this injustice on every front.

As you gather today for this celebration, know that I am with you in spirit. Remember, your courage and dedication serve as an inspiration to us all in the fight to overcome the poison of bigotry and discrimination. The Atlanta Lesbian and Gay Pride Celebration is a call to the rest of America to take notice, to end discrimination, and to stand together with pride as a diverse, unified people.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman

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Sandra L. Thurman

Jeff Cheek

Ph: 404-892-6314

FAX: 404-897-1225

(202) 319-9620 - DM home

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 26, 1998

Nancy Carter-Foster
Director
Emerging Infectious Diseases and HIV/AIDS Program
Department of State
Room 4330
2201 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Ms. Carter-Foster: *Nancy,*

Thank you for providing an update on the U.S. International Strategy on HIV/AIDS during the recent Interdepartmental Task Force on HIV/AIDS meeting.

Coordinating efforts between governments, as well as within the U.S. government, will be essential to fully addressing the global issues and challenges which are presented by HIV/AIDS.

Thank you for your continued commitment to addressing HIV/AIDS at the international level.

Sincerely,

Sandra
Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 26, 1998

Lani Havens
U.S. Peace Corps
Room 8104
1990 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20526

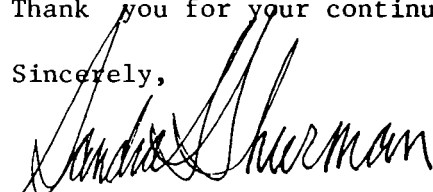
Dear Ms. Havens:

Thank you for providing an update on U.S. Peace Corps HIV/AIDS activities during the recent Interdepartmental Task Force on HIV/AIDS meeting.

The video gave a wonderful view of what it is like on the front lines of Peace Corps' efforts to address HIV/AIDS in developing countries. While sometimes humorous, the video showed how serious work can be accomplished through government cooperation. The Peace Corps, and its volunteers, are to be commended for their efforts.

Thank you for your continued commitment to HIV/AIDS issues.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 26, 1998

Paul DeLay
U.S. Agency for International Development
G/PHN/HN
3:06-075 3rd Floor
RRB - D1
Washington, DC 20523-3700

Dear Mr. DeLay: *Paul,*

Thank you so much for your wonderful presentation during the last Interdepartmental Task Force on HIV/AIDS meeting. I was struck by the enormity of the issues we face on an international level, and by the complexity of responses needed to do what is right in the face of AIDS.

I admire your passion and genuine commitment to addressing HIV.

Sincerely,

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Director
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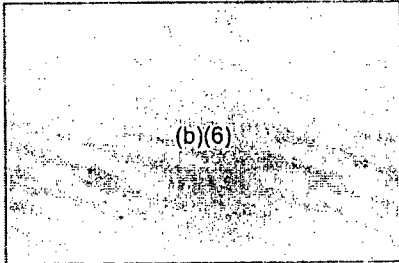
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June 26, 1998



[003]

I apologize for the delay in responding to your letter dated 6 April 1998.

I would like to address the situation you described in your letter to me and the concerns you have about your health status and the future of your children should you become ill. Having an illness such as HIV can be both physically and emotionally draining, and having to worry about your children only adds to the concern.

I hope that you have taken advantage of Army Emergency Services, and in particular their social workers and case managers. These individuals are responsible for ensuring that you receive the best medical treatment available, and that you are referred to the appropriate support groups, counselors and other services which you may require.

There are a host of non-military organizations in Puerto Rico that may be able to assist you. Two community-based organizations you may want to contact are the Centro Accion Social de SIDA, in Mayaguez, and Fundacion SIDA in San Juan. You should consider contacting them as soon as possible. They should be able to provide information about medical treatment, and social services (housing, employment, legal assistance, etc.,) for both you and your children. In addition, should you leave the Army, they would be able to assist you in obtaining services to which you would be entitled, depending on your health status.

In addition, you mentioned in your letter that many individuals were made aware of your health condition without your consent. It is a violation of military policy for anyone to disclose your medical condition without your consent outside of the "need to know" basis. If you believe that this policy has been violated, you should consider contacting the Inspector General on your base. This contact may be made anonymously if you so choose.

I would also suggest that you ask your doctor and case manager to update you on the rules concerning discharge from the military based on medical condition. You should also consider whether you will be able to get the same, better or worse medical care inside or outside of the military system. Currently, rules call for a medical discharge based on a CD4 count of less than

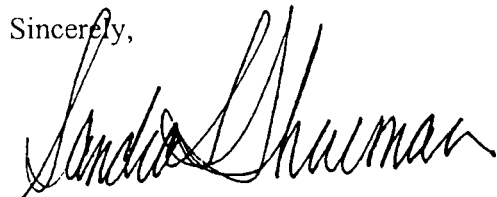
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200. Given recent advances in treatment, in which you are participating, it is highly possible that you may not have your CD4 count reach that level in the near future.

I hope that you take advantage of the service which are available both inside and outside of the military. I wish you the best of luck, good health, and a continued successful military career.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

cc: Lynn Pahland, Office of the Assistant Secretary
of Defense for Health Affairs, U.S. Department of Defense

THE WHITE HOUSE
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June 24, 1998

Earl Fox, M.D.
Administrator
Health Resources and Services Administration
Room 14-05
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857

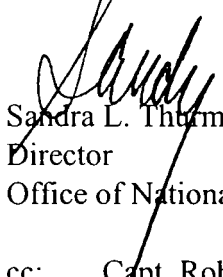
Dear Dr. Fox: 

I want to thank you for allowing Capt. Robert Soliz to serve as an agency representative to the Interdepartmental Task Force on HIV/AIDS in the Office of National AIDS Policy. Captain Soliz proved to be a valuable addition to our small cadre of dedicated individuals. His knowledge of HIV-related service issues, as well as his work on youth issues, added an extra level of input which was extremely important.

You should rest assured that Capt. Soliz represented the Health Resources and Services Administration in a professional and courteous manner. I know he must be a valued employee. The Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS asked that I pass along their appreciation for Capt. Soliz's terrific work.

Again, thank you for your continued support of this Office and the work we are trying to accomplish together.

Sincerely,

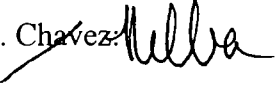

Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

cc: Capt. Robert Soliz

THE WHITE HOUSE
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June 24, 1998

Nelba Chavez, MD
Administrator
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
Room 12-105
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Dr. Chavez: 

I want to thank you for allowing LCD Brad Austin to serve as an agency representative to the Interdepartmental Task Force on HIV/AIDS in the Office of National AIDS Policy. LCD Austin proved to be a valuable addition to our small cadre of dedicated individuals. His knowledge of substance abuse and mental health services issues, as well as prison issues, added an extra level of input which was extremely important.

You should rest assured that LCD Austin represented the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in a professional and courteous manner. I know he must be a valued employee. The Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS asked that I pass along their appreciation for LCD Austin's terrific work.

Again, thank you for your continued support of this Office and the work we are trying to accomplish together.

Sincerely,


Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

cc: LCD Brad Austin

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 24, 1998

Claire V. Broome, MD
Acting Director
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
1600 Clifton Rd., NE
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Atlanta, GA 30333

Dear Dr. Broome:

I want to thank you for allowing CDR Todd Weber, M.D. to serve as an agency representative to the Interdepartmental Task Force on HIV/AIDS in the Office of National AIDS Policy. CDR Weber proved to be a valuable addition to our small cadre of dedicated individuals. His knowledge of HIV prevention issues, especially surrounding HIV name reporting, added an extra level of input which was extremely important.

You should rest assured that Dr. Weber represented the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in a professional and courteous manner. I know he must be a valued employee. The Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS asked that I pass along their appreciation for CDR Weber's terrific work.

Again, thank you for your continued support of this Office and the work we are trying to accomplish together.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

cc: CDR Todd Weber

THE WHITE HOUSE
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June 24, 1997

The Honorable Dan Miller
13th District, Florida
102 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-0913

Dear Congressman Miller:

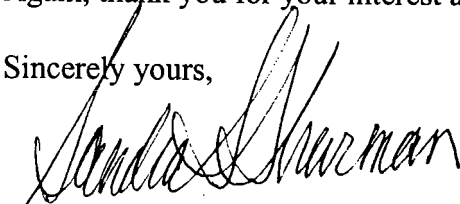
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Also, it is a misconception that the National Institutes of Health needed more funding in FY1997-98 for the vaccine. Following a 33% increase over two years, the total vaccine budget was increased to \$159 million. Once we are ready to proceed with clinical trials, however, additional funding will be necessary.

I hope this answers some of the questions you may have had. My office and I look forward to working with you and the other members of Congress to address these issues in the future. In the meantime, if you have any further questions, please contact Dr. Eric Goosby at (202)690.5560. Again, thank you for your interest and active participation.

Sincerely yours,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 4, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR PATRICIA FLEMING

FROM: SUSAN BROPHY
LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter that was sent to the President from Rep. Dan Miller (R-FL).

I do not believe this letter requires a Presidential response at this time. Please review the attached letter and have the Secretary respond directly to the Member(s) of Congress. Please forward a copy of the response to Chris Walker, Office of Legislative Affairs.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Chris Walker at 456-7500.

Enclosure

Outline

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file: Dan Miller

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DAN MILLER
13TH DISTRICT, FLORIDA

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May 23, 1997

The Honorable William Clinton
President of the United States
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20500

MAY 27 PM5:54

Dear Mr. President:

I read with great excitement the reports of your challenge to "commit ourselves to developing an AIDS vaccine within the next decade." While daunting, this is a goal worthy of a great and good country.

In your fine speech you compared the goal of finding an AIDS vaccine to President Kennedy's challenge to put a man on the moon before the close of the decade of the 1960s. As you said, "he gave us a goal of reaching the moon, and we achieved it -- ahead of time."

Mr. President, with all due respect, he gave us more than a goal -- he committed substantial resources to achieving the goal. President Kennedy, subsequent presidents and the Congress spent \$21 billion to put a man on the moon. In today's dollars, that about \$80 billion.

To date, you haven't shown a real commitment to finding an AIDS vaccine by fighting for more resources for the National Institutes of Health (NIH). As you know, you have left the heavy lifting to Congress to find additional resources for NIH. Since Republicans took over Congress, we have increased NIH's budget by more than \$500 million over what you have requested. Your fiscal year 1998 budget proposal provided just a 2.6% increase for NIH, when a 6 or 7 percent increase is needed just to keep up with current research plans.

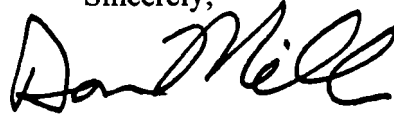
In the recent budget agreement, discretionary health spending is to be frozen over the next five years. While I am critical of the Republican Leadership for agreeing to inadequate NIH funding, I am shocked that NIH wasn't one of your top priorities in these negotiations.

If you were preparing to challenge the nation to find an AIDS vaccine, why did you not insist on huge funding increases for NIH? As you know, the Republican Leadership more than accommodated your top priorities in this budget. Unfortunately, it appears as though this wasn't really at the top of your agenda.

Mr. President, where do you expect the money to find a AIDS vaccine to come from? Do you want to take it from the Humane Genome Project, which is literally mapping the entire human genetic code? Do you want to take funds from the National Cancer Institute? Or from the research into new drugs to treat those who have already been infected with the HIV virus? Taking resources away from these important projects would be morally inappropriate. Yet, unless NIH receives substantial new resources, this is exactly where the money would have to come from.

In the end, Mr. President, a challenge without commitment is just rhetoric. I urge you to listen to your own rhetoric and provide the personal commitment to achieving this incredibly worthy goal.

Sincerely,

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Dan Miller

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 24, 1997

Andrei P. Kozlov, Ph.D.
Research Institute of Pure Biochemicals
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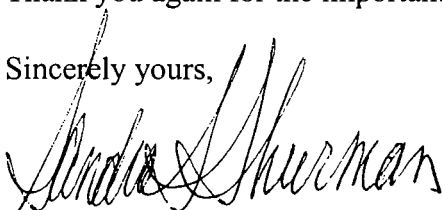
Dear Dr. Kozlov:

Thank you for your letter dated May 22 and for accepting our invitation to meet on May 8 to discuss collaboration between Russia and the United States on AIDS and the HIV vaccine. We too believe that a spirit of mutual cooperation between nations can only benefit the parties involved, and I thank you for your many efforts to strengthen this partnership against AIDS.

I look forward to many collaborations with you in the future as we strive to achieve our common goals of international cooperation, scientific advancement, and better public health in the area of AIDS and HIV.

Dr. Goosby will contact you in the near future to discuss further plans for this ongoing partnership. Thank you again for the important role you are playing in this most important process.

Sincerely yours,

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Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy

cc: Dr. Peter Hartsock, National Institute on Drug Abuse
Dr. Eric Goosby, Office of AIDS/HIV Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE
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June 24, 1997

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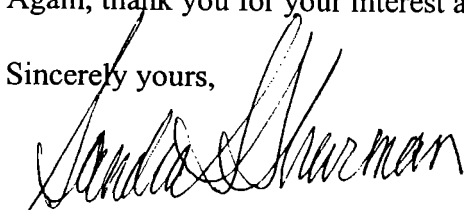
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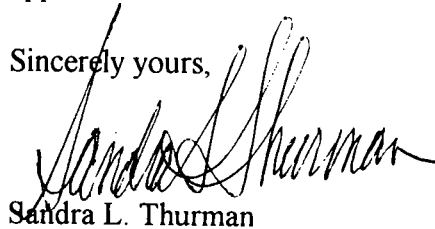
The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
8th District, California
2457 Rayburn Building
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Dear Congresswoman Pelosi:

Thank you for your letter to the President dated May 22 and for the International Declaration of Solidarity for Access to Health Care, Dignity, and LIFE. I am pleased that you were able to participate in the recent International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and Mobilization in San Francisco. I hope you will share the insights you gained as we continue to fight AIDS and AIDS discrimination.

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Sincerely yours,

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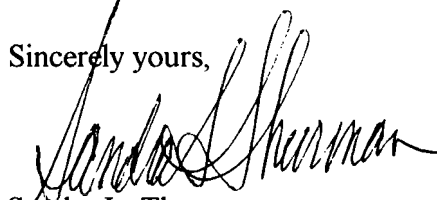
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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 5, 1997

MEMORANDUM FOR PATRICIA FLEMING

FROM: SUSAN BROPHY
LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Enclosed please find a copy of a letter that was sent to the President from Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA).

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Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Chris Walker at 456-7500.

Enclosure

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AT-LARGE WHIP

May 22, 1997

MAY 27 PM5:54

The Honorable William J. Clinton, President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Recently I was honored to participate in the 14th International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and Mobilization in San Francisco.

I am forwarding to you the International Declaration of Solidarity for Access to Health Care, Dignity and LIFE, which I received at the memorial. The declaration is on behalf of over 100 organizations around the world.

Thank you for your leadership in responding to the many challenges of the global AIDS pandemic. I look forward to working with you in opposition to AIDS discrimination.

Sincerely,


NANCY PELOSI
Member of Congress

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International Declaration of Solidarity for Access to Health Care, Dignity and LIFE

The HIV/AIDS pandemic is not over.

While scientific advances bring welcome hope to some people living with HIV/AIDS, others still struggle daily for basic needs such as health care, housing, food and water.

We, the participants and organizers of the International AIDS Candlelight Memorial and Mobilization, commit to continuing our fight against AIDS until:

1. All people with HIV/AIDS worldwide have access to treatment, medical care, shelter and nutrition
2. All people have access to effective HIV prevention tools and information
3. Treatment for HIV/AIDS is accessible to everyone.

In solidarity with people with HIV/AIDS everywhere, we declare:

- All nations have an ethical duty to assist each other in making treatments available to people with AIDS.
- All heads of state must provide leadership in creating and implementing policies to end the AIDS pandemic.
- Health care is a human right. No persons or populations should be denied access to comprehensive health care.
- Greed must not block access to health care. Pharmaceutical manufactures must work with consumers, advocates, and governments to make treatments affordable to all.
- Ignorance must not hinder HIV prevention. Proven prevention tools such as syringe exchange programs and sexual health education for youth must be legalized and funded.
- The news media have a responsibility to accurately report on the state of the pandemic globally, and among all infected and affected populations.
- Governments and private industry must collaborate with affected communities toward ethical development of an HIV vaccine.

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Buenos Aires, Argentina

Fundacion SPES
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Coalicion de ONGs con trabajo en
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Buenos Aires, Argentina

Secretariado para Latinoamerica de
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Jakarta, Jawa, Indonesia

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Marikina City, Philippines

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Pasay, Philippines

Health Action Information Network
Quezon City, Philippines

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Quezon City, Philippines

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National Association of People with AIDS, South Africa
Cape Town, South Africa

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London Lighthouse
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Bullhead City, AZ, USA

The NAMES Project Foundation
San Francisco, CA, USA

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San Francisco, CA, USA**

**AIDS Candlelight Memorial Committee
Santa Rosa, CA, USA**

**AIDS National Interfaith Network
Washington, DC, USA**

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Stuart, FL, USA**

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West Palm Beach, FL, USA**

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**Rapids Aids Project
Cedar Rapids, IA, USA**

**HEROES
Des Moines, IA, USA**

**Iowa Center for AIDS Resources and Education
Iowa City, IA, USA**

**AIDS Resource Group of Evansville, Inc.
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**Circle City HIV/AIDS Coalition
Indianapolis, IN, USA**

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**Friends for Life
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Lansing, MI, USA

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Lexington, NC, USA

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Jackson, TN, USA

Friends for Life AIDS Resource Center
Memphis, TN, USA

Nashville CARES
Nashville, TN, USA

Lubbock Lesbian/Gay Alliance
Lubbock, TX, USA

AIDS Coalition of Utah County
Provo, UT, USA

Utah County Health Department
Provo, UT, USA

Full Circle AIDS Hospice Support
Norfolk, VA, USA

AIDS Community Resource Network (ACORN)
Norwich, VT, USA

Seattle AIDS Memorial Vigil
Seattle, WA, USA

Pierce County AIDS Foundation
Tacoma, WA, USA

Mountain State Aids Network
Morgantown, WV, USA

HART Center
Cheyenne, WY, USA

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June 22, 1998

Robert Soliz
Division of Training and Technical Assistance
HIV/AIDS Bureau
Health Resources and Services Administration
Room 7-13
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, Maryland 20857

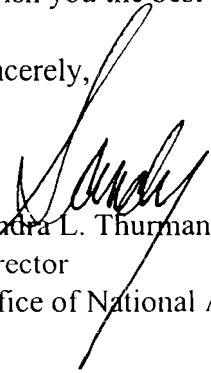
Dear Mr. Soliz: 

On behalf of the President, I want to personally thank you for your valuable contributions to the extremely important work of the Office of National AIDS Policy.

Your efforts, especially in the area of HIV services and youth issues, provided an important perspective to the challenging policy and programmatic issues our nation faces in addressing HIV and AIDS. You represented the Health Resources and Services Administration well, and this Office benefitted from your contributions.

I wish you the best of success at HRSA and look forward to working with you again.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

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June 22, 1998

Mr. Brad Austin
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
5515 Security Lane
Rockville, MD 20815

Dear Mr. Austin:

On behalf of the President, I want to personally thank you for your valuable contributions to the extremely important work of the Office of National AIDS Policy.

Your efforts, especially in the area of substance abuse and mental health, as well as prison issues, provided an important perspective to the challenging policy and programmatic issues our nation faces in addressing HIV and AIDS. You represented the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration well, and this Office benefitted from your contributions.

I wish you the best of success at SAMHSA, and I look forward to working with you again.

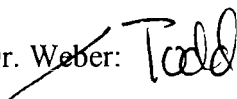
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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

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June 22, 1998

J. Todd Weber, MD, FACP
Prevention Services Research branch
Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention - Surveillance and Epidemiology
National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
1600 Clifton Rd, NE, MS E - 46
Atlanta, GA

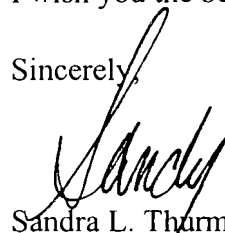
Dear Dr. Weber: 

On behalf of the President, I want to personally thank you for your valuable contributions to the extremely important work of the Office of National AIDS Policy.

Your efforts, especially in the area of HIV prevention, provided an important perspective to the challenging policy and programmatic issues our nation faces in addressing HIV and AIDS. You represented the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention well, and this Office benefitted from your contributions.

I wish you the best of success at CDC and look forward to working with you again.

Sincerely,


Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

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WASHINGTON

June 19, 1997

Hamid Shirvani, Ph.D.
Vice President for Graduate Studies and Research
Queens College of
The City University of New York
65-30 Kissena Boulevard
Flushing, New York 11367-1597

Dear Dr. Shirvani:

Thank you for taking the time to discuss the new Center for Molecular and Cellular Biology at Queens College of The City University of New York.

The President is committed to fighting AIDS and his proposed budget for fiscal 1998 continues our vital investments in AIDS research, prevention, treatment, and housing. Given the President's AIDS Vaccine Initiative, I know that the Center for Molecular and Cellular Biology will benefit research on biological investigations of the HIV virus. It is sure to be one of the leading research centers in the world dedicated to finding a cure for HIV/AIDS, as well as improving the delivery to patients of more promising therapeutics for HIV infection and other chronic infectious diseases.

Today we have real reason for hope and optimism. New drugs are showing promising results in halting the progress of HIV. That hope and optimism have come about by dedicated researchers at institutions much like your new Center at Queens College. I know that the new Center at Queens College is sure to play a key role in the effort's to combat this devastating disease.

We are very pleased that Queens College has taken the initiative to work closely with the Administration in the timely and efficient development of the research Center. Given the leadership by the State, County and overall New York community in the fight against AIDS, I am confident that, together, we can make a substantial difference in the lives of those people living with HIV/AIDS.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

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June 17, 1997

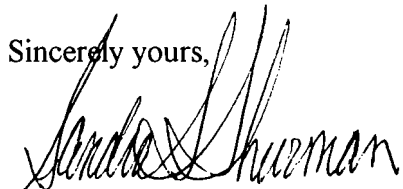
Jeffrey Crump
1043 A Winners Circle
Bowling Green, KY 42103

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EMAIL-ADDRESS: IraJohn
ORGANIZATION:
RELATIONSHIP:
STREET-ADDRESS: 1043 A Winners Circle
CITY: Bowling Green
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ZIP-CODE: 42103
COUNTRY: United States of America

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<<Ross.L>> student (freshman) Sleepy Eye Public Schools
rossl@sleepyeye.mntm.org

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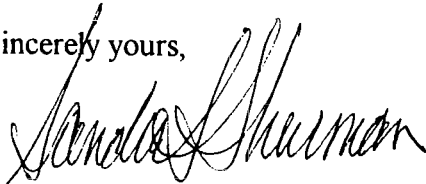
June 17, 1997

Louis and Natalie Schlamowitz
2045 Rockway Parkway, Apt 3-I
Brooklyn, NY 11236

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Schlamowitz:

Thank you for your very kind note of congratulations on my appointment by President Clinton as the Director of the Office of National AIDS Policy. I am pleased to send you a photo in appreciation of your support in the fight against AIDS.

Sincerely yours,

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Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

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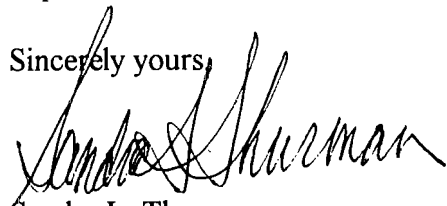
June 17, 1997

Jules Greenberg
PO Box 358
Ghent, NY 12075

Dear Mr. Greenberg:

Thank you for your interest in the activities of the Office of National AIDS Policy. Enclosed please find the photo you requested.

Sincerely yours,

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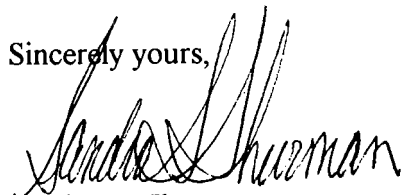
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Director
Office of National AIDS Policy

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June 17, 1997

Fredric Maye (DIN:94-a-8382)
Cayuga Correctional Facility
PO Box 1186
Moravia, NY 13118

Dear Mr. Maye:

Thank you for your very kind note of congratulations on my appointment by President Clinton as the Director of the Office of National AIDS Policy. I appreciate your encouragement, and I will do my best to lead the movement in the fight against AIDS.

On reading your letter, I was impressed with the path you have taken to achieve a positive state of mind. We need more people like you to educate others, heighten awareness, and serve as role models for other HIV infected individuals and drug users.

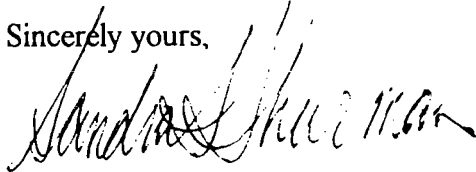
Your willingness to support the efforts against both drugs and AIDS are evident and admirable. We can always use more activists, especially those like you who offer a wealth of personal experience and accomplishment. Your efforts at Cayuga are just as important and valuable as another's in California, Washington D.C., or South Dakota. I encourage you to continue your efforts and know that they are valued by our office.

I wish you the best, and I thank you again for your letter.

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Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sandra L. Thurman".

Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy

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Sophia Chang, MD, MPH
Kaiser Family Foundation
2400 Sand Hill Road
Menlo Park, CA 94025

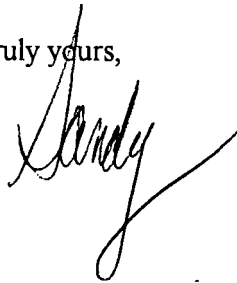
Dear Sophia,

Just a quick note to tell you how nice it was to see you again. As fellow participants in the first CAEAR meeting too many years ago, we have a special connection!

I appreciated your willingness to be of assistance in issues relating to those historically underserved in our nation. Your expertise will be very helpful to us as we try to sort out the extraordinarily complex interchange between health care and HIV into the next century.

The Kaiser Foundation has a long and distinguished history, which will undoubtedly be enhanced by your work. I look forward to working with you all over the coming months!

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Andy", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 16, 1997

Theresa McGovern, Esq.
Co-Executive Director
The HIV Law Project
841 Broadway, Suite 608
New York, NY 10003

Dear Ms. McGovern:

Thank you for sharing with me some of the issues that have arisen with the implementation of New York State's new mandatory newborn HIV screening program. The problems you presented are of great concern.

I have long been a proponent of comprehensive, voluntary strategies for supporting pregnant women and women with children in obtaining adequate HIV-related information and care. Mandatory programs of screening and testing, particularly when they are not well designed or supported, can be ineffective and even counterproductive.

It is important for all of us to learn about the implementation issues for programs such as New York's because they are likely to be repeated elsewhere. I would appreciate the opportunity to utilize your expertise to become better informed on this issue. Would it be possible for me or someone from my staff to obtain a personal briefing? That might provide us with greater insight into the problem, which would in turn help us to support a meaningful and effective response.

You will appreciate that my office is still in transition, and the staff has not been fully developed. Please allow me a few more weeks to put things in order, and then I will have someone on my senior staff call to follow up on my briefing request. In the interim, I will broach the subject with our colleagues at HHS to learn about ways in which they are responding to the problems with mandatory programs like yours in New York.

I appreciate your taking the time to write and look forward to working with your agency and other advocates to help insure the care and protection of women and children living with HIV and AIDS in New York City.

Very truly yours,



Sandra Thurman

Director, Office of National AIDS Policy

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June 16, 1997

Martin Delaney
Founding Director
Project Inform
1965 Market Street, Suite 220
San Francisco, CA 94103

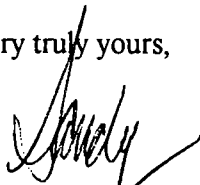
Dear Marty,

Thank you very much for taking the time to prepare the briefing information on the Glaxo 1592 issues. Your candor is appreciated.

I also wanted to thank you for your perspective on the role of the ONAP Director. You are well aware of the difficult balancing act that one must play to maintain credibility with the community and influence within government. I will commit to you to working on behalf of people living with HIV disease and AIDS to the upmost of my ability, and making the most of my support from the President and the community to that end.

Project Inform will be an active partner with this office. I am counting on your long history of groundbreaking work on behalf of those we both serve as a source of guidance and wisdom.

Very truly yours,



P.S.

Come visit us when you next
find yourself in D.C. -

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JUN 5 1997

Lydia Melendez-Falcon
373 Old Forks Road
Hammonton, NJ 08037

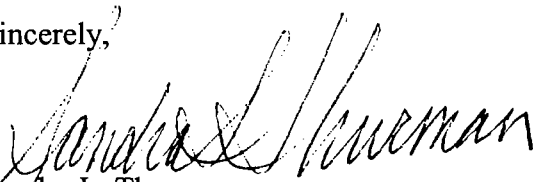
Dear Ms. Melendez-Falcon:

I am delighted to have this opportunity to recognize your tremendous accomplishments in the fight against HIV/AIDS. During the past four years you have endeavored to fight for the inclusion of women in clinical research trials and to give care to your husband, Greg, while simultaneously managing your own illness and continuing a successful business career.

Through your courageous efforts as a spokesperson for and representative of women, especially women of color living with HIV/AIDS, you have touched the lives of all those around you, including the President and Mrs. Clinton. Your example has helped many women feel empowered to confront HIV/AIDS with dignity and determination. For this you are truly a role model.

Furthermore, your struggles and successes reinforce our belief in the importance of the inclusion of women in HIV/AIDS research and treatment efforts. While it is important to recognize that the epidemic is not over, thanks to your participation in AIDS research and the advent of protease inhibitors taken in combination therapy, we have seen HIV/AIDS move towards a more manageable illness for people living with HIV/AIDS.

The President and Mrs. Clinton join me in congratulating and thanking you for all you have done and continue to do to help all people living with HIV/AIDS. We wish you continued good health as your strength and courage offer inspiration to all of us.

Sincerely,

Sandra L. Thurman
Director
Office of National AIDS Policy



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OFFICE OF NATIONAL AIDS POLICY

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

736 Jackson Place
Washington, DC 20503

Phone: (202) 456-2437
Fax: (202) 456-2438

TO:

Dr. Joseph O'Neill

FAX NUMBER:

(301) 443- 9645

FROM

Sandy Thurman

DATE:

June 1, 1998

PAGES:

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COMMENTS:

I am forwarding this resume to you for consideration. Brent is a wonderfully talented old friend from Food & Friends. He should be giving your office a call later on this week to discuss any employment opportunities that you may have at HRSA. Please give me a call as a reference if you need any more information.

Thanks so much!

Brent Tucker Minor
2910 Sycamore Street
Alexandria, Virginia 22305
202-863-1825 (o) 703-836-1162 (h)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Food & Friends

August, 1991 - Present

58 L Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

Positions Held:

Director of Community Relations and Public Funding

April, 1996 - Present

Coordinate the external community relations efforts including press coverage, community meetings and selected events. Represent agency at local and national meetings, events and conferences. Research, write and maintain all local and federal contracts. Write and edit agency newsletter, Annual Report and other agency-wide publications and articles.

Write and maintain all public contracts for agency including: Ryan White Title I (\$1,000,000+); FEMA (\$8,500) and HHS Community Food and Nutrition Grant (\$50,000). Secured first non-Ryan White federal contract for agency. Represent agency on related committees and consortia including Mayor's (D.C.) AIDS Advisory Committee, Ryan White Title I Planning Council, Northern Virginia Consortium, Suburban Maryland Alliance and the Alexandria (VA) Task Force on AIDS.

Conference Coordinator

February - November, 1996

1996 AIDS Meals Providers Conference

Directed all conference activities for annual international meeting of AIDS food service providers including fundraising, program development, event planning, publications and site management. Highlights include: Doubled number of participants; Tripled previous fundraising levels; Increased number of sessions from 11 to 41.

Program Director

December, 1993 - April, 1996

Directed operations of Program Office to ensure accurate daily delivery of meals to over 500 clients (homebound people living with AIDS). Supervised activities of the following departments: Delivery (1,400 daily meals); Volunteer Resources (recruitment, coordination and retention of 1,200 volunteers); and Client Services (management and referral of 500 monthly clients). Wrote and edited monthly Volunteer Newsletter. Coordinated volunteer-staff events. Represented organization at various functions including fundraisers and consortia meetings. Supervised staff of 13 people.

Volunteer Program Manager (1/93 - 12/93)

Volunteer Coordinator (8/91 - 1/93)

Director of Development

July, 1988 - October, 1990

Bishop McNamara High School
Forestville, Maryland

Established and directed development programs including annual giving, major donor program, alumni/parent phone-a-thons and student fundraisers. Established and maintained accounting records for pledges and gifts received. In two years, annual contributions tripled.

Associate Director

November, 1986 - December, 1987

Ward, Dreshman & Reinhardt, Inc.
Worthington, Ohio

Represented firm as fundraising consultant for two projects: The Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta (\$4 million goal) and The Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii (\$10 million goal). Participated in development of campaign goals, strategy and organization. Organized and directed meetings with substantial number of volunteer groups. Supervised large public kick-off event for both campaigns.

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE**Citizen Member**

August, 1997 - Present

Mayor's (D.C.) AIDS Advisory Committee

Represent community interests on committee which advises the Mayor and other city leaders about AIDS-related grants, policies and legislation. Elected Co-Chair of Procedures and Procurement Committee.

PWA/HIV Representative

March, 1994 - Present

Metropolitan Washington Regional HIV Health Services Planning Council &
Northern Virginia HIV Consortium

Serve as at-large representative on Planning Council that determines allocation of Ryan White Title I federal funding for designated area which includes Washington, DC as well as parts of Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. Planning Council is responsible for determining funding priorities, allocation of funds and program oversight. Current funding responsibility is approximately \$18 million. Currently serve as Co-Chair of Planning Committee.

Serve as at-large representative on Consortium that determines allocation of Ryan White Title II funding for Northern Virginia. Current funding responsibility is approximately \$2 million.

Served on Title I Grant Application Review Panel for Baltimore, FY 1995 and FY 1996.

Served on Title II Grant Application Review Panel for Northern Virginia, FY 1996.

Citizen Member

March, 1991 - Present

Alexandria Task Force on AIDS
Alexandria, Virginia

Serve on city-wide task force that reviews and makes recommendations for all AIDS-related policies for City Council action. Served as Chair from 1993 - 1995.

President

1992 - Present

The Minor Foundation
Charlotte, North Carolina

Serve as President of the Board of Directors (7 members) of family foundation.
Coordinate research and eligibility of grant applicants, funding distribution and oversight.

Class Representative

1988 - Present

The University of the South
Sewanee, Tennessee

Serve as liaison between university and alumni class of 1981. Oversee general solicitations, major donor prospecting and reunion planning.

EDUCATION

University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee

B.A. Degree - Awarded May, 1981

Honors and Activities: Speaker, Student Assembly; Honor Council;
Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

Woodberry Forest School, Woodberry Forest, Virginia

College preparatory diploma awarded, May, 1977.

ACTIVITIES

Performer with the Washington Opera; Member, Christ Episcopal Church, Georgetown;
Volunteer with Whitman-Walker Clinic of Washington, DC; Extensive volunteer political campaign work; Former *Jeopardy!* contestant; Triathlon enthusiast (Have completed 27 Olympic-distance events - most recently 8/97.)