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PERSONS WITH AIDS OR HOPWA PROGRAM

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3103

February 4, 2000



The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

When you propose your budget for this next fiscal year, I respectfully request that you significantly fund the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS or HOPWA program.

As you know, the HOPWA program is the only federal housing program that provides cities and States with the resources to address the housing crisis facing people with AIDS. I understand that HOPWA is currently helping nearly 75,000 people in over 41,000 housing units. These people live in over 100 communities across 37 States, as well as the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Those funds will allow thousands of people living with AIDS to live longer and healthier lives.

I also understand that between one-third and half of all people living with AIDS are currently homeless or in imminent danger of becoming so. Sixty percent of all people living with AIDS will face a housing crisis at some point in their lives. While there is reason for hope with new AIDS treatment and research, the battle against AIDS is far from over. The World Health Organization announced in May of last year that AIDS is now the world's most deadly infectious disease.

The good news is people living with AIDS are living longer and more productive lives; but this means care-giving services are needed now more than ever. Substantial funding will help guarantee that those suffering from this disease will have housing available to them and will live healthier and happier lives.

Thank you for your continued support on this important issue.

Sincerely,


Tom Udall

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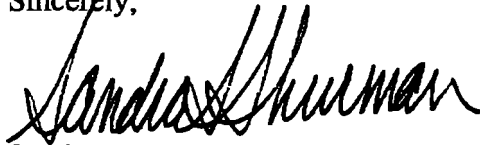
Welcome to the Third National HOPWA Grantees Meeting. Regretfully I could not be with you, however I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued efforts to provide housing and related supportive services to one of this nation's most vulnerable populations - persons living with HIV and AIDS.

Much of the work that you do day in and day out puts you at the forefront of this epidemic. You know better than most how AIDS has become a disease of poverty; how the twin epidemics of drug use and AIDS fuel each other; how racism, sexism and homophobia continue to fuel this epidemic. Over the next few days, you'll have a chance to talk about these overlapping issues and hopefully to develop some creative solutions with the understanding that we have so much farther to go to our efforts to fully meet the needs of those that are living with HIV or AIDS.

The Administration remains dedicated to winning the battle against HIV/AIDS and continues to support increases in funding for AIDS research, prevention, and treatment. The President's FY 2000 Budget Proposal requested a \$25 million increase for HOPWA, which if passed by Congress, would provide 43,990 units of housing to 79,367 persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.

But our greatest motivation stems from you. For it is you who tirelessly labor for more funding and better resources and it is you who has made it clear to everyone that we must continue to fight on the frontlines and face new challenges with creativity and compassion. Thank you for your continued efforts to assuring that persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families have a place to call home.

Sincerely,

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

Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy