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*Leaders in the Fight Against AIDS**declined w/ Melissa
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August 25, 1999

Sandra Thurman, Director White House Office of National AIDS Policy
By Facsimile: 202-456-2438

Dear Ms. Thurman:

Please consider our request to participate in our September 2, fund-raising kick-off event. We have also invited Mayor Anthony Williams to participate. Others planning to attend this event include the leadership of the SAFEWAY Eastern Division headquarters, the Washington AIDS Partnership, and the National AIDS Fund. It would be a wonderful opportunity for Mayor Williams to make comments regarding DC's commitment to the fight against AIDS. This event is planned as follows:

WHO: Leaders Representing All Major U.S. AIDS Service Community Organizations

WHAT: AIDS Fund Raising Kick-off Event

WHEN: Thursday, September 2, 1999, at the Mayor's convenience
(anytime between 10am and 3pm)

WHERE: Georgetown Safeway, 1855 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20007

SPEAKERS: White House Office of National AIDS Policy Director Sandy Thurman & Mayor Anthony Williams

MEDIA: Representatives of print, television, and radio have been invited

Safeway is doing its part to fight AIDS in the Washington, DC area. During the month of September at 100 of its stores throughout the metropolitan area, customers will have the option of making a check-out donation supporting AIDS services and HIV prevention in the Washington area through the Washington AIDS Partnership and its national partner, the National AIDS Fund.

In 1998, the Washington AIDS Partnership raised and distributed over \$1 million dollars to 27 AIDS service, advocacy, and prevention programs in the Washington metropolitan area. The Partnership also managed the HIV/AIDS-related AmeriCorps program, allowing 10 young people to work full-time at Washington-area AIDS organizations at no cost to them.

The National AIDS Fund is one of America's largest philanthropic organizations dedicated to eliminating HIV/AIDS as a major health and social problem. The Fund is unique in that its primary purpose is providing the resources necessary for local AIDS leaders to fight the disease in their communities. Fund grants provide care and services and seek to prevent new infections through education, advocacy, and research. The Fund represents donors whose contributions have generated nearly \$80 million over the past decade to combat the AIDS epidemic. Local leaders match these grants with their own fund raising and make grants to community organizations. The Fund marked its 10th anniversary in 1998, and it through its "Community Partners" provided over \$9 million to more than 450 community groups in 25 states. The Fund has substantially increased giving to HIV/AIDS programs, often sparking local HIV/AIDS grant making in communities where no such support previously existed. In the Washington area, the Fund partners with the Washington AIDS Partnership.

Thank you, for your attention to this invitation. Please let me know if there is any additional information that I may provide.

Sincerely,



Melissa Madison
National AIDS Fund

Communications Associate, 202/712-9407

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June 23, 2000

Sandra Thurman
Director
White House Office of National AIDS Policy
736 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear *Sandy* Sandra,

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to the National AIDS Fund's Americorps End-of-Service Dinner, which will honor the Fund's 35 Americorps members who have served in four of our partnership communities: Tulsa, Detroit, Charlotte, and Washington DC. As Americorps volunteers and future leaders of HIV/AIDS service, these 35 devoted individuals have spent the past year working as prevention educators, testing counselors, service providers, and caregivers. I hope you will join me as we honor their leadership, and celebrate their accomplishments.

What: National AIDS Fund's Americorps End-of-Service Dinner

When: Saturday, July 22nd - 6:30 p.m.

Where: Radisson Barcelo Hotel (Dupont Circle)
2121 P Street NW
Washington, DC
202/293-3100

RSVP: Christina Combs (by July 10th)
202 / 408-4848 x 200

My very best to you.

Sincerely,

Mary
Mary Wilson-Byrom
President & CEO

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P.S. Sandy, hope you can join us for a very moving evening.

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NATIONAL AIDS FUND

Leaders in the Fight Against AIDS

FAX COVER SHEET

TO:	Sandy L. Thurman Office of National AIDS Policy
FAX:	202 456 2438
FROM:	Thomas Metzger Communications Officer
DATE:	11-16-99
RE:	World AIDS Day Invitation
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COMMENTS:

Thank you for considering this invitation.
Please let me know if we may provide any
additional information.

Contact: Thom Metzger
Direct Dial / 202 712 9401
Email / tmetzger@aidsfund.org

November 15, 1999

Sandra L. Thurman, National AIDS Policy Director
Office of National AIDS Policy
736 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503
By Facsimile: 202-456-2438

Dear *Sandy* Ms. Thurman:

Please consider this invitation to participate in our 1999 World AIDS Day observance, being planned in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and local service providers. Individuals participating in this event include Attorney General Janet Reno and representatives of Washington-area women-focused AIDS service providers and HIV prevention agencies. Secretary Donna Shalala and Senator Harris Wofford also have been invited to participate. Washington-based national and local media representatives and Leanza Cornett and Kim Coles, the hosts of Lifetime Television's "New Attitudes," also are being invited. We also are discussing a live webcast of the event with the leaders of the "iVillage" website. It would be a wonderful opportunity for you to communicate the administration's concern about increases in infection rates among women, as well as its general commitment to the fight against AIDS. This event is planned as follows:

WHO: U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National AIDS Fund, local AIDS service providers

WHAT: World AIDS Day observance
"End the Silence: Acknowledge the Impact of AIDS on Women"
A Program Empowering Women and Families toward Better Health

WHEN: Wednesday, December 1, 1999, 4 - 5 p.m.

WHERE: Office of Justice Programs Building, 3rd Floor
810 7th Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

SCHEDULED: Attorney General Janet Reno
Esther Silver-Parker, President AIT&T Foundation and National AIDS Fund Board Chair
Mary Wilson-Byrom, National AIDS Fund Interim President and CEO
Elliot Johnson, Executive Director of the Whitman-Walker Clinic

INVITED: Secretary Donna E. Shalala
Senator Harris Wofford, CEO for the Corporation for National Service
Leanza Cornett and Kim Coles, Hosts of Lifetime Television's "New Attitudes"

AGENDA: 4 - 5 p.m.

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Thank you, for your attention to this invitation. Please let me know if there is any additional information that I may provide.

Sincerely,



Mary Wilson-Byrom
Interim President and CEO



December 16, 1999

Sandra Thurman
Director/AIDS ZAAR
White House Office of National AIDS Policy
736 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Thurman:

Thank you very much for your initial interest in the National AIDS Fund's Women's Initiative on HIV/AIDS. We have rescheduled our first meeting for January 14th, 2000, and cordially invite you to join us at this meeting.

As you may know, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the incidence of HIV infection among women is increasing at an alarming rate. In fact, in this country the proportion of all AIDS cases among adult and adolescent women nearly tripled from 7% in 1985 to 22% in 1997. Today, in the United States it is estimated that between 120,000 and 160,000 adult and adolescent females are living with HIV infection. Despite the statistics, health policies, HIV/AIDS programs and interventions have been delayed in their response to many women specific issues of HIV/AIDS. The National AIDS Fund has launched a Women's Initiative to address the dramatic impact HIV is having on women and families. We believe that it is incumbent upon "leaders in the fight against AIDS" to mount an immediate and significant stance against the devastating, yet often silent, impact of HIV disease on women ...especially women of color.

Our intent is to bring national attention and community-level momentum to this important issue. This effort will be a women-focused, women-driven, and women-determined initiative that allows women involved in the fight against HIV/AIDS to:

- form connections with other women;
- raise awareness about this issue; and
- strategize about empowering and educating other women in their own communities about the prevention of HIV/AIDS.

We feel that it is imperative that women be made aware of the state of emergency that these health problems pose to all women and move toward action.

The **GOAL** of the initiative will be to increase awareness of the HIV/AIDS crisis facing women among service providers, private and public philanthropies, health planners, business and professional communities, researchers, and key local and national policy makers. The initiative will also encourage the expansion of women-focused HIV prevention efforts by fostering and promoting model programs that increase access to and utilization of HIV care and treatment services.

During the past few weeks, my colleagues and I have been targeting women from education, government, industry, the community, and healthcare to form an Advisory Committee. The role of the Advisory Committee is as follows:

- Develop the concept for a white paper addressing issues specific to women and HIV/AIDS and draft a list of national recommendations for women-centered HIV prevention and treatment programs and policies.
- Choose a working group to complete the white paper.
- Discuss participation in national conferences to present the Women's Initiative.
- Develop a public awareness campaign.
- Develop a grantmaking pool to support women-centered HIV prevention and treatment programs.

We have approached many of you individually and have been met with overwhelming acceptance, enthusiasm and commitment. Please accept this invitation to join us on January 14th, 2000, in Washington, DC, for a full day meeting to work on the initial planning stages for this important initiative. You may accept by contacting Deborah King, Program Officer for the Women's Initiative directly at (202) 408-4848 ext. 264 or Karen Bilowith, Program Officer at ext. 218.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Wilson-Byrom".

Mary Wilson-Byrom
President and CEO

National AIDS Fund Women's Advisory Board Members

**WOMEN'S HIV PREVENTION AND CARE INITIATIVE
MEETING INFORMATION**

IMMEDIATE RESPONSE NEEDED

The Women's Initiative Advisory Board Dinner and Meeting will be held on January 13th and 14th at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Washington, DC. The Dinner (Thursday, January 13th) will begin with cocktails at 7:00pm and end at approximately 9:30pm. The Advisory Board Meeting (Friday, January 14th) will convene at 9:00am and adjourn at promptly 3:00pm.

Please take a moment to complete the following form so that we may make any arrangements you may require. Thank you.

YOUR NAME _____

☐	Yes, I will be attending the Dinner on Thursday, January 13, 2000.
☐	No, I will not be able to attend the Dinner on Thursday, January 13, 2000.

☐	Yes, I will be attending the Advisory Board Meeting on Friday, January 14, 2000.
☐	No, I can not attend the Advisory Board Meeting on Friday, January 14, 2000.
☐	I will not be able to attend this meeting, but please advise me of future meetings.

☐	I will require accommodations at the Crown Plaza for the evening of Thursday, November 18 th (room rate is \$139.00).
☐	I do not require accommodations.

☐	I require assistance with my travel and hotel cost expenses.
☐	I do not require assistance with my travel and hotel cost expenses.

If you have any other special requests (i.e. dietary, smoking room, etc.) please describe. _____

Please fax your response form to Jean Wellman at 202-408-1818 immediately.

Please note: We are holding a room block for January 13th and we need to inform the hotel of all requests no later than December 27, 1999.

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October 29, 1999

Sandra Thurman

Director

White House Office of National AIDS Policy

736 Jackson Place, NW

Washington, DC 20503

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. King". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter of the last name being a large, stylized capital "K".

Deborah J. King
Women's Initiative Program Officer
National AIDS Fund

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Washington AIDS Partnership

November 20, 2000

Sandra L. Thurman
Presidential Envoy for AIDS Cooperation, and
Director, Office of National AIDS Policy
The White House
736 Jackson Place, NW
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Thurman:

Thank you for inviting me to this event surrounding the announcement of a new partnership for HIV prevention between the Office of National AIDS Policy, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and advertising agencies.

I am delighted to see this partnership materialize. Bringing together forces that can assist each other creates a powerful momentum that will help all of us in the field who are compelled to address the growing complacency around the HIV/AIDS crisis.

Congratulations on this historic step and we envision an unlimited positive response spinning out from such a partnership. I look forward to meeting you on Tuesday, November 28th at 1 p.m.

Sincerely yours,



Mary Wilson-Byrom
President and CEO