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| 002a. letter             | Sandra Thurman to Individual living with AIDS re: Impact of HIV (Personal) [partial] (1 page) | 02/26/1999 | b(6)        |
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- b(8) Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
- b(9) Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

3/99 outgoing

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Bill Frist  
United States Senate  
567 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-4205

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

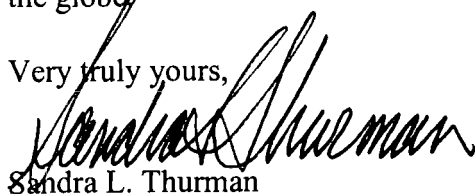
Dear Senator Frist:

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Very truly yours,



Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Christopher Bond  
United States Senate  
274 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-4205

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

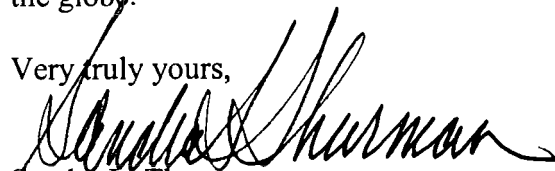
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Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Richard G. Lugar  
United States Senate  
306 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-1401

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

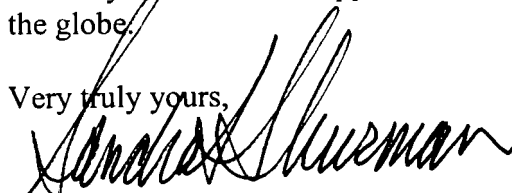
Dear Senator Lugar:

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Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Mary L. Landrieu  
United States Senate  
702 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-1804

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

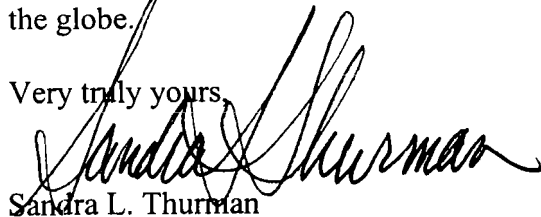
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Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Thad Cochran  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
326 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

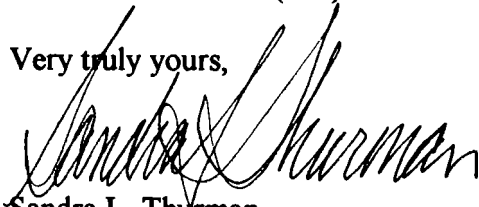
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Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Donna Christian-Green  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1711 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

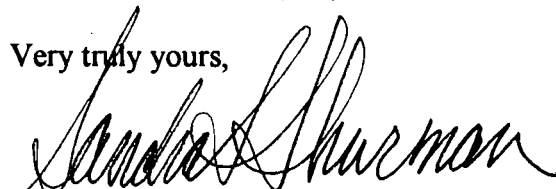
Dear Representative Christian-Green:

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Sandra L. Thurman

Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable James E. Clyburn  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
319 Cannon House Office Building  
First Street & Independence Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

Dear Representative Clyburn:

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Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Edward Royce  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1133 Longworth House Office Building  
New Jersey & Independence Avenues, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

Dear Representative Royce:

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Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable John Porter  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2373 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

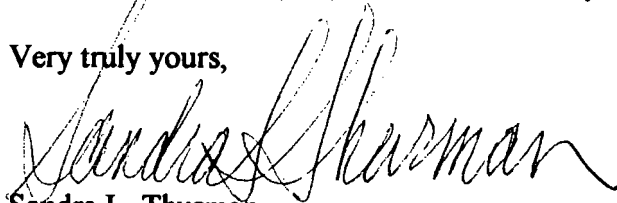
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Sandra L. Thurman

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Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Donald M. Payne  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2244 Rayburn House Office Building  
S. Capitol Street & Independence Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

Dear Representative Payne:

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Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
503 Cannon House Office Building  
First Street & Independence Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

Dear Representative Kilpatrick:

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Director

Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Arlen Specter  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senator  
711 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-3802

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

Dear Senator Specter:

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Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

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March 3, 1999

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205 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

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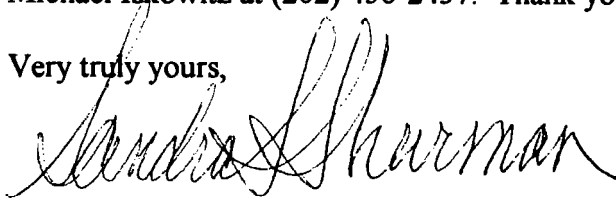
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Member of Congress  
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1110 Longworth House Office Building  
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Washington, DC 20515

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable John Lewis  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
229 Cannon House Office Building  
First Street & Independence Avenue, S.E.  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

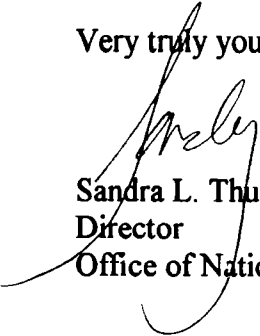
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Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 4, 1999

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
United States Senate  
361-A Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-1702

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

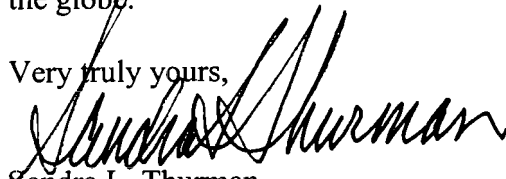
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 8, 1999

The Honorable Olympia Snowe  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
250 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-1903

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

Dear Senator Snowe:

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Director  
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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March 8, 1999

The Honorable Richard J. Durbin  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
364 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-1304

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

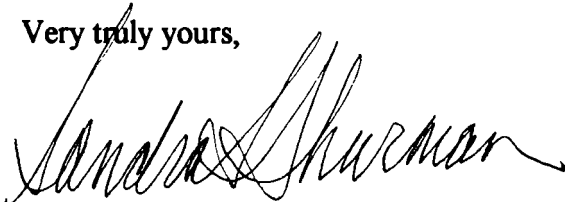
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March 8, 1999

The Honorable Mike DeWine  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
140 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-3503

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

Dear Senator DeWine:

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The Honorable Paul S. Sarbanes  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
309 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-2002

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

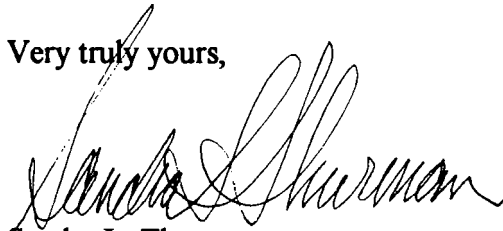
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The Honorable John H. Chafee  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
505 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-3902

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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March 8, 1999

The Honorable James M. Jeffords  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
728 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-2002

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

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March 8, 1999

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

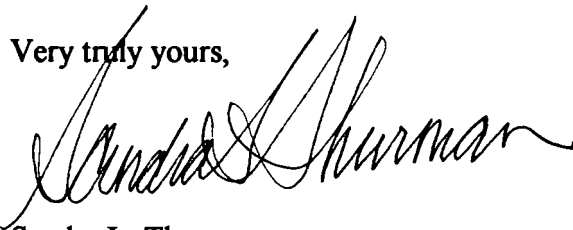
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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March 8, 1999

The Honorable Jim Greenwood  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2436 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-3808

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

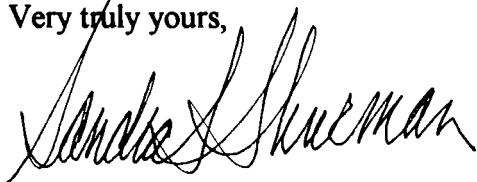
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 8, 1999

The Honorable Christopher Shays  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1502 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0704

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

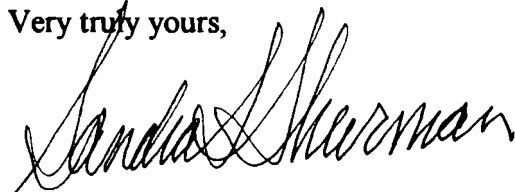
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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March 8, 1999

The Honorable Constance A. Morella  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2228 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-2008

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

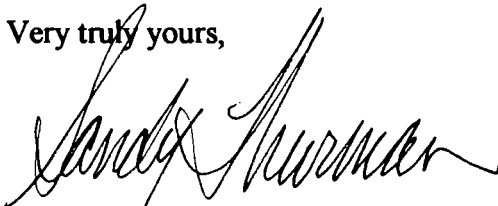
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The Honorable Tom Campbell  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2442 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

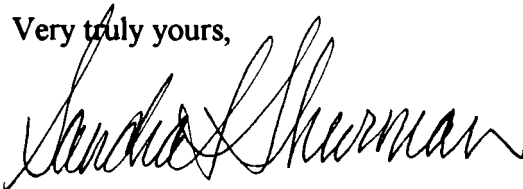
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March 8, 1999

The Honorable Jerry Lewis  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2112 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0540

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

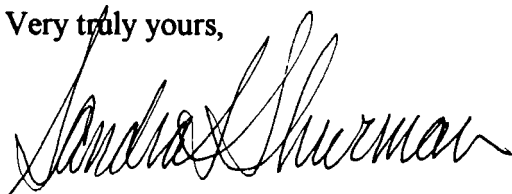
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March 9, 1999

The Honorable Gordon H. Smith  
Member of Congress  
U.S. Senate  
307 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-2903

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

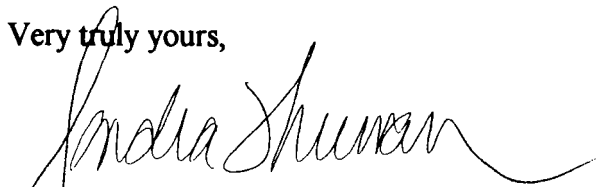
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March 9, 1999

The Honorable Mark Foley  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
113 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0916

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

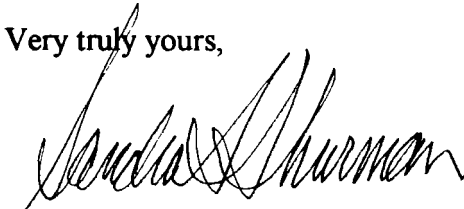
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The Honorable William J. Jefferson  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
240 Cannon House Office Building  
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**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

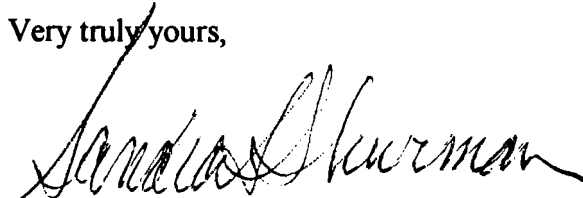
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The Honorable Peter T. King  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
403 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0916

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

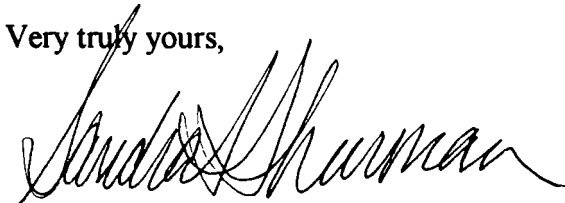
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March 9, 1999

The Honorable J.C. Watts, Jr.  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1210 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-3604

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

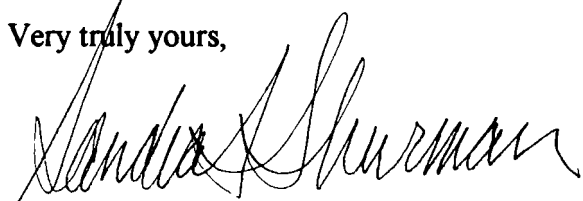
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March 10, 1999

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Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
416 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0916

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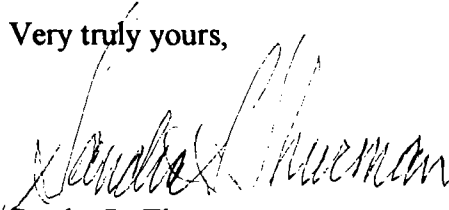
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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March 4, 1999

Honorable Nancy Powell  
Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Uganda  
P.O. Box 7007  
Kampala, Uganda

Dear Madame Ambassador:

Please accept my sincere appreciation for all of your contributions to the success of our recent visit to the Republic of Uganda. Thank you so much for taking the time out of your busy schedule to entertain us so royally (both the cocktails and the conversation were sparkling!). It was wonderful to meet so many of the dedicated people of Uganda who are struggling to meet the needs of their people in the face of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

Please also convey my appreciation to your wonderfully talented staff. We should all be so fortunate to be surrounded by such competent and caring people.

Again, thank you for all of the kindness you showed us. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 4, 1999

Honorable Arlene Render  
Ambassador of the United States of America to Zambia  
P.O. Box 31617  
Lusaka, Zambia

Dear Madame Ambassador:

Please accept my sincere appreciation for all of your contributions to the success of our recent visit to Zambia. Thank you so much for taking the time out of your busy schedule to entertain us so royally (both the dinner and the conversation were sparkling!). It was wonderful to meet so many of the dedicated people of Zambia who are struggling to meet the needs of their people in the face of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

Please also convey my appreciation to your wonderfully talented staff. We should all be so fortunate to be surrounded by such competent and caring people.

Again, thank you for all of the kindness you showed us. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman, Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

March 4, 1999

Honorable Tom McDonald  
Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Zimbabwe  
172 Herbert Chitepo Avenue  
P.O. Box 3340  
Harare, Zimbabwe

Dear Mr. Ambassador:



Please accept my sincere appreciation for all of your contributions to the success of our recent visit. Thank you so much for taking the time out of your busy schedule to: accompany us on our site visits; introduce us to so many of the dedicated people of Zimbabwe who are struggling to meet the needs of their people in the face of the HIV/AIDS epidemic; and, for entertaining us so royally (both the dinner and the conversation were sparkling!).

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Again, thank you for all of the kindness you showed us. I look forward to seeing you on Saint Patrick's Day.

Sincerely,



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Office of National AIDS Policy

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March 4, 1999

Honorable James Joseph  
Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of South Africa  
P.O. Box 9536  
Pretoria, South Africa 0001

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Please accept my sincere appreciation for all of your contributions to the success of our recent visit to the Republic of South Africa.

It was wonderful to meet so many of the dedicated people of South Africa who are struggling to meet the needs of their people in the face of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

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Dr. Timothy Stamps  
Minister of Health and Child Welfare  
P.O. Box CY 1122  
Causeway, Harare, Zimbabwe

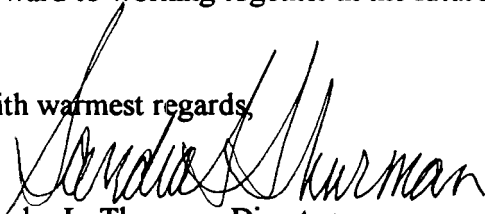
Dear Dr. Stamps:

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Professor A.N. Mphuru  
Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and Natural Resources,  
Africa University  
P.O. Box 1320  
Mutare, , Zimbabwe

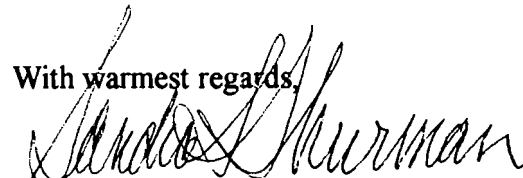
Dear Professor Mphuru:

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March 4, 1999

Dr. Patrick Osewe  
Program Director, HIV/AIDS/STDs,  
USAID - Mission to Zimbabwe  
1 Pascoe Avenue, Belgravia  
Box 6988  
Harare, Zimbabwe

Dear Dr. Osewe:

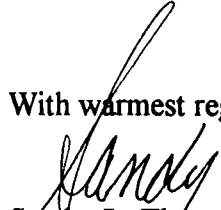


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March 4, 1999

Dr. Paulinus Sikosana  
Secretary for Health and Child Welfare  
Zimbabwe Ministry of Health and Child Welfare  
P.O. Box CY 1122  
Causeway  
Harare, Zimbabwe

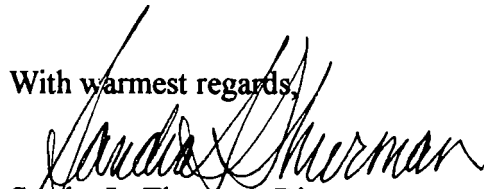
Dear Dr. Sikosana:

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Farai Maguwu  
Africa University  
P.O. Box 1320  
Mutare, , Zimbabwe

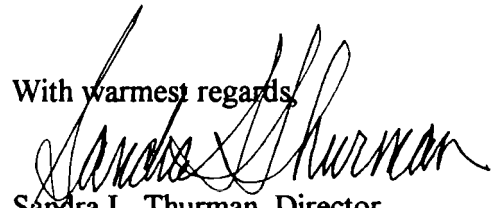
Dear Mr. Maguwu:

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Dr. David Parienyatwa  
Deputy Minister of Health and Child Welfare  
Ministry of Health and Child Welfare  
P.O. Box CY 1122  
Causeway, Harare, Zimbabwe

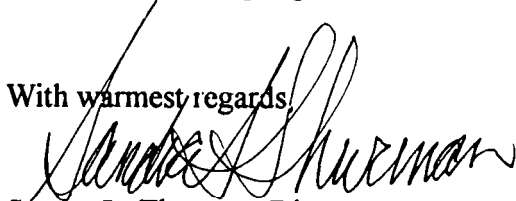
Dear Dr. Parienyatwa:

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Dr. Eviristo Marowa  
Coordinator, National AIDS Coordination Program,  
Ministry of Health and Child Welfare  
P.O. Box CY 1122  
Causeway, Harare, Zimbabwe

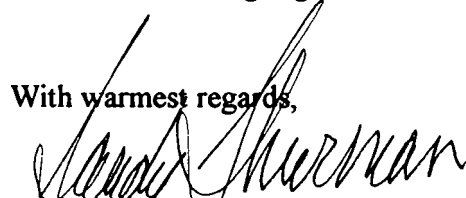
Dear Dr. Marowa:

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March 4, 1999

Dr. Sue Parry  
Farm Orphan Support Trust  
P.O. Box WGT 390  
Westgate, Harare, Zimbabwe

Dear Dr. Parry: *Sue*

On behalf of the entire delegation, I am writing to express our sincere gratitude for all of your contributions which made our visit to the Zimbabwe such a phenomenal success. Thank you for sharing your knowledge, your concerns, and your efforts with all of us.

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*Sandra*  
Sandra L. Thurman, Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

*I hope all is well and that we  
have an opportunity to work together  
again soon —*

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March 4, 1999

Ms. Pippa Henderson  
Director, Tsungirirai Project  
20 Maiden Drive  
Harare, Zimbabwe

Dear Ms. Henderson:

*Pippa*

On behalf of the entire delegation, I am writing to express our sincere gratitude for all of your contributions which made our visit to the Zimbabwe such a phenomenal success. Thank you for sharing your knowledge, your concerns, and your efforts with all of us.

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Office of National AIDS Policy

*I loved spending time with you while  
we were in Zimbabwe - I hope our paths  
cross again soon -*

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March 4, 1999

Mrs. Margaret Mehlomakhulu  
Deputy Coordinator, National AIDS Coordination Program  
Ministry of Health and Child Welfare  
P.O. Box CY 1122  
Causeway, Harare, Zimbabwe

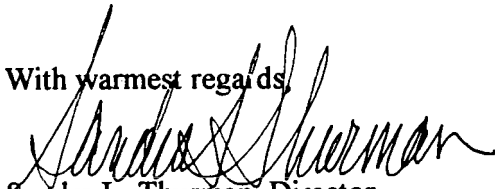
Dear Mrs. Mehlomakhulu:

On behalf of the entire delegation, I am writing to express our sincere gratitude for all of your contributions which made our visit to the Zimbabwe such a phenomenal success. Thank you for sharing your knowledge, your concerns, and your efforts with all of us.

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Mr. Philip Moses  
Counselling Advisor, National AIDS Coordination Program  
Ministry of Health and Child Welfare  
P.O. Box CY 1122  
Causeway, Harare, Zimbabwe

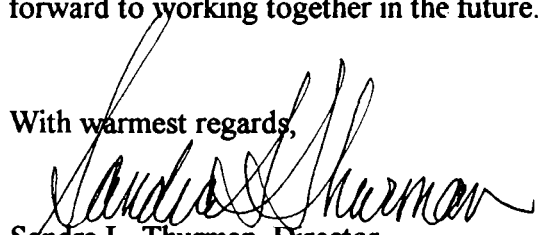
Dear Mr. Moses:

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Honorable Nelson Siwela  
Acting Mayor, Bulawayo  
Municipal Building  
Fife Street  
Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

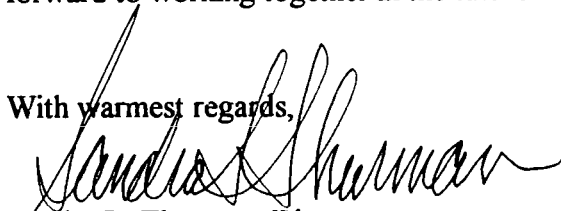
Dear Mayor Siwela:

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Dr. Tenday Nanyeza  
Medical Officer  
Old Mutare Mission Orphanage  
Mutare, Zimbabwe

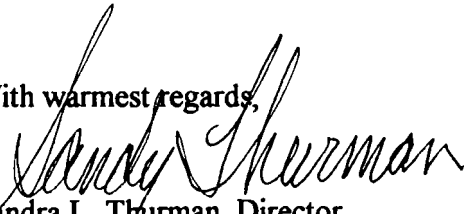
Dear Dr. Nanyeza:

On behalf of the entire delegation, I am writing to express our sincere gratitude for all of your contributions which made our visit to the Zimbabwe such a phenomenal success. Thank you for sharing your knowledge, your concerns, and your efforts with all of us.

Thank you so much for hosting us. Through your participation we were able to gain greater understanding of the issues facing the Republic of Zimbabwe in addressing the impacts of the HIV/AIDS epidemic. Moreover, we returned home with clearly defined messages to share with the President and the Vice President.

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With warmest regards,



Sandra L. Thurman, Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

P.S. I was so delighted that the Bishop was able to join us.

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March 4, 1999

Dr. Geoff Foster,  
Director, FACT  
P.O. Box 970  
Mutare, Zimbabwe

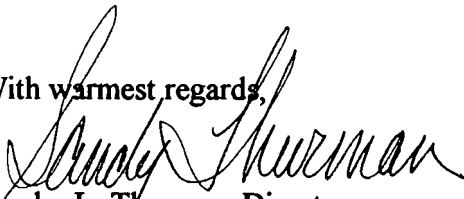
Dear Dr. Foster:

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Office of National AIDS Policy

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March 4, 1999

Mr. Earl Irving  
Deputy Chief of Mission,  
United States Embassy - Republic of Zimbabwe  
172 Herbert Chitepo Avenue  
P.O. Box 3340  
Harare, Zimbabwe

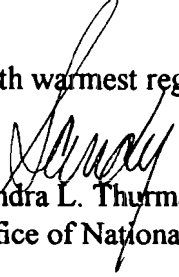
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Reverend Jokomo  
Bishop, United Methodist Church in Zimbabwe  
Zimbabwe

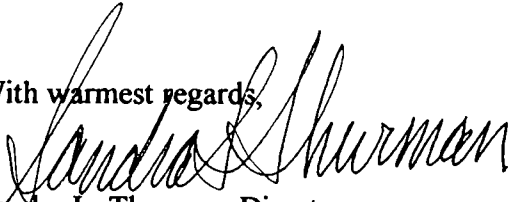
Dear Bishop Jokomo:

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With warmest regards,



Sandra L. Thurman, Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

*I loved spending time with you during our visit. Having you with us on the visit to the children was very helpful!*

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WASHINGTON

March 4, 1999

Shawn Thorne  
Economic Officer  
United States Embassy - Republic of Zimbabwe  
172 Herbert Chitepo Avenue  
P.O. Box 3340  
Harare, Zimbabwe

Dear Ms. Thorne: *Shawn*

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*I hope the wedding plans are going well!*

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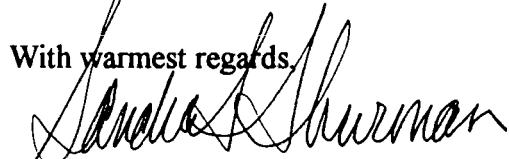
Mr. David Siwila  
Scripture Union Zambia  
P.O. Box 21689  
Kitwe, Zambia

Dear Mr. Siwila:

I am writing to say how very nice it was to meet you during my recent trip to your beautiful country. It was such a pleasure for me to meet, and spend time with, people such as yourself who are making a contribution to the effort to address the impacts of HIV/AIDS.

Best of wishes for continued success in the future.

With warmest regards,

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Sandra L. Thurman, Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

From: **Sandra\_Thurman@opd.eop.gov**  
To: **gayani@mosaica.org**  
Date sent: **Thu, 4 Mar 1999 14:57:25 -0500**  
Subject: **Jeff Cheek's comments on Atlanta PLWH Participation**

Carla is e-mailing you the additional contact information you requested. My suggested changes follow. Should you need me, I may be reached at 202/456.2437. Thanks... and sorry this has taken so long. jc

#### The Atlanta Planning Council Caucuses

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- > The Atlanta Planning Council which is itself 48% PLWH, created six
- > PLWH Caucuses to ensure PLWH involvement in Ryan White activities.
- > These Caucuses facilitate input from the special needs populations
- > identified by the following titles: the PLWH Caucus, the Persons of
- > Color Caucus, Women and Women with Children Caucus, and Gay and
- > Bisexual Men's Caucus, the Substance Abuse Caucus, and the Child and
- > Adolescent Caucus. The Caucuses were divided into these special
- > needs groups so that allowing for their diversity in needs would not
- > dilute the voices of the special needs populations.
- >
- > The Caucuses receive CARE Act funding indirectly through the planning
- > council support budget. The planning council also recommends priorities
- > for Housing
- > Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA) and other CARE Act funding
- > in addition to Title I grants.
- >
- > The Caucuses do not have membership requirements -- interest in an
- > issue is the only criterion for admission into a session. Every
- > meeting begins with the announcement that any PLWH or affected member
- > of the community may attend any Caucus. The caucuses have no
- > governing boards, they have staff supplied by the planning council
- > which also covers administrative expenses. The Gay/Bisexual and
- > Youth/Adolescent Caucuses have the highest rate of attendance.
- >
- > Each Caucus has a representative who serves as a voting member of the
- > planning council;
- > all six of the 45 members of the voting committee are required to be
- > PLWH. The planning council allocates time on the agenda for Caucus
- > representatives to present PLWH issues and/input to the planning
- > council on agenda items. The greatest impact of the Caucuses is their

- > ability to inform PLWH about a process for offering input about
- > programs which could contribute to changes in allocation of funds.
- > The presence of PLWH representatives who are allocated time to voice
- > the concerns of the Caucuses is very empowering.
- >
- > The Chairs and representatives of Caucuses try to obtain input from
- > as many PLWH as possible. Many attend support groups or informal
- > gatherings of PLWH to obtain such input, so their votes at planning
- > council meetings can reflect the opinion of PLWH in the community.
- >
- > Challenges faced by the Caucuses include apathy about the level of
- > involvement, a downside to the lack of a membership requirement, and
- > difficulties associated with outreach. It is difficult to convince
- > PLWH of the difference they will be able to make through involvement
- > with the planning council.
- >
- >CC:: Contacts for the Atlanta Caucus include Jeff Cheek (404)
- >730-8204. [JEFF - I NEED ONE OR TWO MORE CONTACTS]
- >Gayani Gunawardana
- >Program Specialist/Research Assistant
- >Mosaica
- >1000 16th Street, NW, Suite 604
- >Washington, DC 20036
- >Tel. 202-887-0620
- >Fax: 202-887-0812
- >E-mail: [gayani@mosaica.org](mailto:gayani@mosaica.org)
- >Website: <http://www.mosaica.org>

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WASHINGTON

March 12, 1999

ACTION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Sandra Thurman 

CC: Maria Echaveste  
Virginia Apuzzo

SUBJECT: Designation of Presidential Mission to Africa

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Purpose

To request your approval of a Presidential Mission to Africa led by Sandra Thurman and to include Members of Congress, community leaders, the Administration, and media.

Background

This past World AIDS Day, December 1, you joined Secretary Albright, USAID Administrator Atwood, and ONAP Director Thurman to announce \$10 million in emergency funding for AIDS orphans. This focus was predicated on a USAID report which estimated that the number of children orphaned by AIDS would exceed 40 million by the year 2010 (90% of which are in southern Africa). In addition, you requested that Ms. Thurman lead a delegation to southern Africa to assess the problem of AIDS orphans in that region, to heighten public awareness of their plight, and return with recommendations for future action.

Ms. Thurman is proposing a seven-day trip to include stops in South Africa, Uganda, and Zambia both to observe areas where the needs of children orphaned by AIDS are at a crisis level, as well as to visit other areas where US-funded programs are helping to address the problem.

This mission will provide an important opportunity for Members of Congress to see first-hand the magnitude of this problem, to build an appreciation of the effective role that US-funded programs can have, and to observe other community-based responses worthy of future support.

Recommendation

That you designate the trip to southern Africa led by ONAP Director Thurman, March 27 to April 5, a Presidential Mission.

Approve \_\_\_\_\_

Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

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- b(4) Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]
- b(6) Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]
- b(7) Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
- b(8) Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
- b(9) Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]



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## **THE IMPACT OF THE 1998 ELECTIONS ON TITLE I AND TITLE III OF THE RYAN WHITE CARE ACT**

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### **OVERVIEW**

On November 3, 1998, the nation voted to maintain a Republican majority in both the United States Senate and House of Representatives. Overall, voters seem content with the political status quo. The Republican margin of control stayed the same in the Senate and declined by five seats in the House. Given that the party not holding the White House in a non-presidential election year usually gains seats, the message from the American voters can be interpreted to show a disapproval for the Republican's politics of impeachment and partisanship and a reinforcement of the 1996 voters' message of support for compromise and a centrist course.

In the wake of their unsuccessful showing, Republican disquiet over the leadership of Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich led Rep. Bob Livingston (R-LA), whom the Speaker had hand selected to chair the House Appropriations Committee, to mount a challenge to the Speaker. Speaker Gingrich, rather than fight, decided to step down as Speaker and resigned from the Congress. He was replaced by a Republican in a special election held February 23. Subsequent to the Gingrich resignation, Rep. Livingston, responding to reports of scandal, stepped down as Speaker-designate making way for the ascension of Rep. Dennis Hastert (R-IL) as Speaker.

Republican leaders, as they did at the beginning of the last Congress, stated their willingness to work with President Clinton, but it remains to be seen if cooperation can be achieved between the beleaguered Administration and an even more closely divided, partisan Congress.

The Congress convened on January 6, but almost immediately went into a district work period or recess. No real legislative work was begun until after the State of the Union message on January 18, and impeachment proceedings dominated the Senate, if not the Congress, until the beginning of another recess February 12.

The outlook for AIDS issues in this Congress, generally, appears marginally better. The Senate changed very little, while the House became very slightly more progressive. More importantly, the House may have slipped out of the control of the conservative Republican revolutionaries who came to power in 1994. Republican moderates -- and conservative Democrats -- are expected to hold the balance of power on a number of closely divided issues. Overall, it is still not a progressive Congress but may continue to wrest leadership from the Administration on some AIDS issues, sometimes for the good -- such as funding for the Ryan White CARE Act. Though most observers agreed it would be exceedingly difficult to get the last, more conservative, Congress to vote to spend more for AIDS

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than the President requested, that is exactly what happened for Title I in FY 98 and for both Title I and Title III in FY 99.

The President, who once had large political reasons to favor AIDS funding, never has to face reelection again and has announced a number of other goals as his priorities. Indeed, AIDS funding has not been articulated as a priority for the Administration post 1996, and as increases in AIDS funding directly conflicted with the priority of balancing the budget, it has been a conservative, Republican Congress, not the Administration, that has provided the impetus for substantial increases in some titles of the CARE Act. Two years ago, we wrote: "Given this reality, the large increases realized in this election year (1996) are probably better viewed as an aberration than as a precursor." That has turned out, regrettably, to be true. On the positive side, the President has a strong record of support for AIDS issues generally, and the Vice President, and others with future political ambitions, continue to maintain important political reasons to support AIDS funding and reauthorization of the CARE Act within the Administration.

Following the first reauthorization of the CARE Act, the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) replaced Title I as the principal factor driving appropriations for the Ryan White CARE Act. In the first five years of the CARE Act, the steady accretion of new Title I communities drove appropriations for the entire CARE Act. The reauthorized legislation, for the most part, capped the number of Title I eligible communities, thus removing it as an argument for increased funding. During this same period, the CAEAR coalition has substantially scaled back its advocacy efforts.

The new combination therapies have stirred a great deal of interest in the media and the Congress. Funding for drugs is supported by the community, by the Governors, and by the pharmaceutical companies which possess highly trained lobbyists and deep pockets for advocacy activities. For these reasons, funding for ADAP has not faced as many obstacles as other AIDS care programs. For all these same reasons, we have strongly urged the Coalition to articulate the message that primary care and support services are essential to the success of these new therapies, and to express the Coalition's funding goals in terms of this overall primary care context.

More recently, the efforts of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) to highlight the disproportionate impact of the HIV/AIDS epidemic on people of color communities and the disparity of health outcomes for people of color has led to a renewed emphasis on, and increased funding to address, these disparities. During the past year we have urged the Coalition to articulate the message that approximately two-thirds of Title I and Title III clients are people of color and the importance of funding for these two titles of the CARE Act in efforts to address the needs of people of color living with HIV/AIDS.

If the CAEAR Coalition is to succeed in reauthorizing the CARE Act for the second time and in continuing to realize substantial increases in Title I funding, it must articulate how the Title I program is essential to the implementation of the new combination therapies and responds to the needs of

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people of color living with HIV/AIDS; it must enlist the support of the ADAP and pharmaceutical companies' representatives; and it must intensify its now greatly diminished advocacy efforts.

## UNITED STATES SENATE

### Overview

The margin of control in the Senate remained the same as before the election -- a fifty-five/forty-five Republican domination. Senators met the first of December to select party leaders. Senator Trent Lott (R-MS), Majority Leader, and Senator Tom Daschle (D-SD), Minority Leader, retained their posts, as did Majority Whip, Don Nickles (OK). Minority Whip, Wendell Ford (KY), retired and was replaced by Harry Reid (D-NV), a member of the Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations Subcommittee and a supporter of Ryan White CARE Act funding. Advocates may recall that Reid was quite concerned during the last reauthorization about the disparity in funding between states with Title I EMAs and those without. That concern may be somewhat assuaged during this reauthorization by the addition of Las Vegas to the ranks of Title I EMAs.

None of the other top Senate leaders represents a state with a Title I EMA, though both Republican leaders come from states with a Title III grantee. Senator Daschle is considered supportive of the CARE Act on philosophical grounds. During the last reauthorization, Senator Dole, a supporter of the CARE Act was the Majority Leader. Even his staff's assistance, however, was not enough to overcome Republican opposition to an early reauthorization. The current Majority Leader, Senator Trent Lott, is far more conservative and an unlikely ally, should we need one. Senator Nickles was extraordinarily antagonistic during the last effort at early reauthorization, but supported the bill as finally produced in the last Congress by a Republican majority.

Senator Connie Mack, whose home state of Florida is home to many Title I EMAs and a number of Title III grantees, continues as Conference Chairman. Senator Paul Coverdell (GA) continues as the Republican Conference Secretary. Mitch McConnell (KY) defeated Chuck Hagel (NE) to continue at the head of the National Republican Senatorial Committee which seeks to elect Republicans to the U.S. Senate. Senator Larry Craig (ID) will continue as chairman of the Republican Policy Committee, a research service organization for Republicans. Senator Slade Gorton (WA) will continue as the chairman of the Senate Republican Committee on Committees, which makes committee assignments. The Chief Deputy Whip will continue to be Senator Judd Gregg (NH). Senators Coverdell, Gorton and Gregg all represent states with a Title I EMA; Senators Coverdell, Gorton and McConnell represent states with a Title III grantee.

On the Democratic side, Minority Leader Daschle will continue as the Democratic Conference Chair and as the Policy Committee Co-Chairman. Senator Bryon Dorgan (ND) moves from Assistant Floor Leader to Policy Committee Co-Chairman, replacing Senator Reid. Senator Richard Durbin (IL) becomes the Assistant Floor Leader. Senator Barbara Mikulski (MD) will continue as the Conference Secretary, with Senator Bob Kerrey (NE) becoming the Vice Chair. Senator Robert Torricelli (NJ)

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will replace Kerrey as the Chair of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee; Senator Patty Murray (WA) will become the Vice Chair. Senator John Breaux (LA) remains Democratic Chief Deputy Whip and the party's legislative liaison with the White House. Senator John Kerry (MA) remains the Chair of the Democratic Steering Committee, which is the Democratic counterpart to the Republican Committee on Committees. Senators Mikulski, Breaux, Kerry, Durbin, Torricelli, Murray and Reid represent states with Title I EMAs and with Title III grantees.

In the Senate, the political environment remains roughly the same. Not only did the ratio of Republican members to Democrats remain the same, but the sum of the changes were basically a wash -- especially so on AIDS issues. In Indiana and North Carolina, Democrats Evan Bayh and John Edwards replaced conservative Republicans Dan Coats and Lauch Faircloth, but in Kentucky, Illinois and Ohio conservative Republicans Jim Bunning, Peter Fitzgerald and George Voinovich replaced Democrats Wendell Ford, Carol Moseley-Braun and John Glenn. In Arkansas, Democrat Blanche Lincoln succeeded Democrat Dale Bumpers, while in Idaho conservative Republican Michael Crapo succeeded conservative Republican Dirk Kempthorne. And in New York, liberal Democrat Charles Schumer replaced moderate Republican Alfonse D'Amato, but on AIDS issues there is little difference between the two. To reflect the Republican's 55-seat majority, they will continue to enjoy a two-seat advantage on all major committees.

The committee structure of the Congress is basically a mirror image. Reauthorization of the CARE Act will be first considered in each house of the Congress by an authorizing subcommittee. The subcommittee sends the bill to the full Committee in each House. The full Committee sends the bill to the House floor or the Senate floor, as appropriate. The full chambers pass the legislation and send it to a conference committee which resolves differences in the two versions of the bill and sends it back to each chamber for final approval. If each chamber approves the identical bill, it is sent to the President for signature into law.

Each step of this process has risks and pitfalls, and at any point, the legislation can be derailed. During the last reauthorization, a series of issues split the authorizing committees sometimes along party lines, sometimes along fault lines between the title interests.

### **Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions**

It is good news for reauthorization that Senator James Jeffords (R-VT), a moderate-to-liberal Republican supporter of AIDS programs, remains at the helm of the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee, formerly known as the Labor and Human Resources Committee. It is the authorizing committee in the Senate for the CARE Act. Senator Jeffords is considerably more progressive than the Chairman during the last reauthorization, Nancy Kassebaum of Kansas, but for that very reason, may be in a more precarious political position with less control over the committee. Strong conservatives make up the bulk of the Committee Republicans and the new Republican members of the Committee seem more of the same: Sam Brownback (KS), Jeff Sessions (AL), and Chuck Hagel (NE) replace Senators Dan Coats (IN), John Warner (VA), and Mitch McConnell. The departure of Warner leaves Susan Collins (ME) and Chairman Jeffords as the only moderate

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Republicans, arguably making the Committee more conservative overall. No changes were made on the Democratic side where members remain solidly liberal in their political leanings.

The only Republican members of the Committee to represent states with a Title I EMA are Judd Gregg (NH), Mike DeWine (OH), and Sam Brownback (KS). Democrats Kennedy (MA), Dodd (CT), Mikulski (MD), Wellstone (NM) and Murray (WA) do represent states with a Title I EMA. Democratic Senators Tom Harkin (IA), nonetheless a very strong ally of the CAEAR coalition, Jeff Bingaman (NM) and Jack Reed (RI) do not. Republicans representing states with Title III grantees are: Jeffords, DeWine, and new members Brownback and Sessions. Democrats representing states with a Title III grantee are: Kennedy, Dodd, Harkin, Mikulski, Bingaman, Murray and Reed. Only Wellstone, among the Democrats does not.

The Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee roster follows (new members in bold):

#### Republicans

James M. Jeffords, VT, *Chairman*  
 Judd Gregg, NH  
 Bill Frist, TN  
 Mike DeWine, OH  
 Michael B. Enzi, WY  
 Tim Hutchinson, AR  
 Susan M. Collins, ME  
**Sam Brownback, KS**  
**Chuck Hagel, NE**  
**Jeff Sessions, AL**

#### Democrats

Edward M. Kennedy, MA, *Ranking*  
 Christopher, J. Dodd, CT  
 Tom Harkin, IA  
 Barbara A. Mikulski, MD  
 Jeff Bingaman, NM  
 Paul D. Wellstone, MN  
 Patty Murray, WA  
 Jack Reed, RI

#### **Senate Subcommittee on Public Health**

Senator Jeffords has created a Subcommittee on Public Health since the last reauthorization. This Subcommittee will have initial jurisdiction in the Senate over the reauthorization of the CARE Act. Its Republican members include as chair, Frist (TN), Gregg (NH), Enzi (WY), Collins (ME), Brownback (KS), and Sessions (AL). Of these current five Republican members only two, Senators Gregg and Brownback, come from states with a Title I EMA. Two Republicans of the five, Senators Brownback and Sessions, represent states with a Title III grantee.

The Democratic members are: Kennedy (MA) who is Ranking, Harkin (IA), Mikulski (MD), Bingaman (NM) and Reed (RI). Only Kennedy and Mikulski of the five Democrats represent states with a Title I EMA; Harkin, Bingaman and Reed do not. All the Democratic members of the Subcommittee come from states with a Title III grantee. As noted, Senator Kennedy is the ranking Democrat on both the Health Subcommittee and the full Committee. However, during this reauthorization, he will not have as staff, Michael Iskowitz, one of the principal architects of the CARE Act and a brilliant legislative strategist, who has left the Senate for private employment.

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#### Senate Appropriations Committee

Senator Ted Stevens (R-AK) will once again head the Senate Appropriations Committee. It is worth noting that Alaska ranks 49<sup>th</sup> of the 50 United States in biomedical research and does not include a Title I EMA or Title III grantee.

All three new Appropriations Committee members, Republican Senator Jon Kyl (AZ) and Democratic Senators Dianne Feinstein (CA) and Richard J. Durbin (IL) represent states with Title I EMAs and Title III grantees. Senators Feinstein and Durbin are longtime supporters of the CARE Act. Senator Kyl, however, was one of three United States Senators to vote against the last reauthorization of the Ryan White CARE Act. A list of the entire membership of the full Appropriations Committee is appended to this document.

Senator Arlen Specter (R-PA), a moderate, will continue as head of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor-HHS-Education, the most important Senate appropriations position from a CARE Act perspective. Subcommittee decisions regarding funding levels are rarely changed by the full Committee. Senator Specter represents a state with a Title I EMA and Title III grantees. Solid, positive relationships exist with the Senator and with the Subcommittee staff. New members to the Subcommittee on Labor-HHS-Education are Senators Stevens, Kyl and Feinstein, who replaced another strong supporter of AIDS programs from California, Senator Barbara Boxer.

Members of the Senate Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee are (new members in bold):

#### Republicans

Arlen Specter, PA, *Chairman*  
 Thad Cochran, MS  
 Slade Gorton, WA  
 Judd Gregg, NH  
 Larry E. Craig, ID  
 Kay Bailey Hutchison, TX  
**Ted Stevens, AK**  
**Jon Kyl, AZ**

#### Democrats

Tom Harkin, IA, *Ranking*  
 Ernest F. Hollings, SC  
 Daniel K. Inouye, WV  
 Harry Reid, NV  
 Herb Kohl, WI  
 Patty Murray, WA  
**Dianne Feinstein, CA**

#### Senate Budget Committee

Senator Pete Domenici (R-NM) remains the chair of the Senate Budget Committee and Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) remains the Ranking Minority Member. Both Senators represent states with a Title III grantee, and Senator Lautenberg represents a state with multiple Title I EMAs.

Senators Phil Gramm (R-TX), Christopher Bond (R-MO), Slade Gorton (R-WA), Gordon Smith (R-

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OR), Spencer Abraham (R-MI), Paul Sarbanes (D-MD), Barbara Boxer (D-CA), Patty Murray (D-WA), Ron Wyden (D-OR), and Richard Durbin (D-IL), all represent states with both a Title III grantee and a Title I EMA. Other Senators on the Budget Committee representing states with a Title I EMA are: Judd Gregg (NH) and Rod Grams (MN). All members of the Senate Budget Committee except Senator Snowe (R-ME), Senator Frist (R-TN), Senator Grams (R-MN), Senator Gregg (R-NH), Senator Conrad (D-ND) and Senator Johnson (D-SD) represent states with a Title III grantee.

Members of the Senate Budget Committee are:

Republicans

Pete V. Domenici, NM, *Chairman*  
 Charles E. Grassley, IA  
 Don Nickles, OK  
 Phil Gramm, TX  
 Christopher S. Bond, MO  
 Slade Gorton, WA  
 Olympia J. Snowe, ME  
 Spencer Abraham, MI  
 Bill Frist, TN  
 Rod Grams, MN  
 Gordon H. Smith, OR  
 Judd Gregg, NH

Democrats

Frank R. Lautenberg, NJ, *Ranking*  
 Ernest F. Hollings, SC  
 Kent Conrad, ND  
 Paul S. Sarbanes, MD  
 Barbara Boxer, CA  
 Patty Murray, WA  
 Ron Wyden, OR  
 Russell D. Feingold, WI  
 Tim Johnson, SD  
 Richard J. Durbin, IL

**U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES****Overview**

In the House, Republicans retained a reduced majority with 223 votes. By comparison Democrats have 212 votes, including Vermont Independent Bernie Sanders, who will vote again with the Democrats. Democrats picked up five seats, contrary to the usual results for the party holding the presidency in a non-presidential election year. In addition, Rep. Livingston, initially the would-be successor to Rep. Gingrich, will himself resign from the Congress February 28.

The Republican's new top leadership line up includes:

Speaker of the House  
 Majority Leader  
 Majority Whip  
 Conference Chairman

Dennis Hastert, IL  
 Dick Armey, TX  
 Tom DeLay, TX  
 J.C. Watts, OK

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All members of the House Republican leadership, except newly elected Conference Chairman Watts, represent Title I EMAs. Watts's predecessor, Rep. John Boehner (OH) did not represent a Title I EMA. All the Republican leaders come from states with Title III grantees. This having been said, none of the Republican leaders are considered strong supporters of the CARE Act.

The top Democratic leadership includes:

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|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Minority Leader      | Richard Gephardt (MO) |
| Minority Whip        | David Bonior (MI)     |
| Caucus Chairman      | Martin Frost (TX)     |
| Caucus Vice Chairman | Robert Menendez (NJ)  |

Among the Democratic leadership, Representatives Gephardt, Bonior, Frost and Menendez all represent Title I EMAs. All four also come from states with Title III grantees. Rep. Menendez represents a district served by numerous Title III sites. All four are considered supportive of the CARE Act.

It is vitally important that the Coalition update its list of Members of the House of Representatives who represent Title I EMAs. The information supplied in this report on members representing Title I EMAs is based on districts we established previously as within Title I EMA boundaries. The addition of new EMAs since the list was last updated, in 1995, together with some redrawn Congressional districts, make a new list a very important priority for accurate targeting and forecasting. In addition, it would be very helpful to have a full Congressional district breakdown of the locations of Title III grantees and the Congressional districts served by Title III grantees. At present, the CAEAR coalition has supplied us with only a partial listing.

### House Commerce Committee

The House authorizing committee is the House Commerce Committee. No changes were made in the leadership of the Committee, Chairman Tom Bliley (R-VA) and Ranking Member John Dingell (D-MI) will continue in their roles. Republicans gave Democrats and themselves one new seat each on the panel, leaving the ratios, five more Republicans than Democrats, unchanged. In addition, some members from each side left the Congress. The resulting three new Democrats on the panel are Bill Luther (MN), Thomas Barrett (WI) and Lois Capps (CA). The seven new Republicans are: Heather Wilson (NM), John Shadegg (AZ), Charles Pickering (MS), Vito Fossella (NY) and Roy Blunt (MO), Ed Bryant (TN), and Robert Ehrlich (MD).

The Health and Environment Subcommittee of the Commerce Committee has initial jurisdiction over the CARE Act on the House side, and the most important action on the legislation in the House takes place in this venue. Michael Bilirakis (FL) will continue as Chairman and Representative Sherrod Brown (OH) will continue as Ranking member.

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The returning Republican members on the Health Subcommittee are: Michael Bilirakis (FL), Fred Upton (MI), Cliff Stearns (MI), James Greenwood (PA), Nathan Deal (GA), Richard Burr (NC), Brian Bilbray (CA), Ed Whitfield (KY), Greg Ganske (IA), Charlie Norwood (GA), Tom Coburn (OK), Rick Lazio (NY), and Barbara Cubin (WY). New Republican members on the Subcommittee are: John B. Shadegg (AZ), Charles Pickering (MS) and Ed Bryant (TN).

Republicans Bilirakis (FL), Greenwood (PA), Stearns (FL), Deal (GA), Bilbray (CA), Norwood (GA), Lazio (NY) and Shadegg (AZ) represent Title I EMAs. Republicans Upton, Burr, Whitfield, Ganske, Coburn, Cubin and Bryant do not represent Title I EMAs. All the Republican members of the Subcommittee, except Cubin of Wyoming and Bryant of Tennessee, represent states with a Title III grantee. Representatives Bilbray, Norwood and Lazio represent districts with at least one Title III grantee.

The returning Democrats on the Subcommittee are: Sherrod Brown (OH), Henry Waxman (CA), Edolphus Towns (NY), Frank Pallone (NJ), Peter Deutsch (FL), Anna Eshoo (CA), Bart Stupak (MI), Gene Green (TX), Ted Strickland (OH), Diane DeGette (CO), and Ralph Hall (TX). Thomas Barrett (WI) and Lois Capps (CA) are the new Democratic members to the Subcommittee.

Democrats Waxman (CA), Towns (NY), Deutsch (FL), Eshoo (CA), Green (TX), DeGette (CO) and Hall (TX) represent Title I EMAs. Unfortunately, the Ranking Democrat Brown (OH) does not represent a Title I EMA. Neither do Reps. Pallone (NJ), Stupak (MI) and Strickland (OH). All the Democrats represent states with a Title III grantee. Representatives with a Title III grantee in their district or who represent a district served by a Title III grantee are: Rep. Waxman, Rep. Pallone, Rep. Deutsch, Rep. DeGette, Rep. Capps, and Rep. Towns.

Members of the Subcommittee are (new members in bold):

#### Republicans

Michael Bilirakis, FL, *Chairman*  
 Fred Upton, MI  
 Cliff Stearns, FL  
 James C. Greenwood, PA  
 Nathan Deal, GA  
 Richard Burr, NC  
 Brian P. Bilbray, CA  
 Ed Whitfield, KY  
 Greg Ganske, IA  
 Charlie Norwood, GA  
 Tom A. Coburn, OK, *Vice Chairman*  
 Rick Lazio, NY  
 Barbara Cubin, WY  
**John Shadegg, AZ**  
**Charles W. Pickering, MS**  
**Ed Bryant, TN**

#### Democrats

Sherrod Brown, Ohio, *Ranking*  
 Henry A. Waxman, CA  
 Frank Pallone, Jr., NJ  
 Peter Deutsch, FL  
 Bart Stupak, MI  
 Gene Green, TX  
 Ted Strickland, OH  
 Diana DeGette, CO  
**Thomas M. Barrett, WI \***  
**Lois Capps, CA \***  
 Ralph M. Hall, TX  
 Edolphus Towns, NY  
 Anna G. Eshoo, CA  
 John D. Dingell, MI

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#### House Appropriations Committee

Rep. C.W. Bill Young, (R-FL), will assume the chairmanship of the full House Committee on Appropriations following Rep. Bob Livingston's resignation from that position earlier this year. Rep. Young has been a strong supporter of the CARE Act over some years, and his assumption of the Appropriations Committee Chair is a positive development for CARE Act advocates. Rep. John Edward Porter, IL, will continue as the Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor-HHS-Education, the most important Appropriations position from a CARE Act perspective. Rep. Porter, because of his strong support and commitment to CARE Act funding, should remain a focus of the Coalition's advocacy efforts. Rep. David Obey (D-WI) will retain the Ranking Member position on both the full Committee and the Labor-HHS-Education Subcommittee. A list of the full membership of the House Appropriations Committee is appended to this document.

The four new Republicans on the Appropriations Committee are: Jo Ann Emerson, MO; John E. Sununu, NH; Kay Granger, TX; and John E. Peterson, PA. There are seven new Democrats on the Appropriations Committee: James E. Clyburn, SC; Maurice D. Hinchey, NY; Lucille Roybal-Allard, CA; Sam Farr, CA; Jesse L. Jackson, Jr., IL; Carolyn C. Kilpatrick, MI; and Allen Boyd, FL. Representatives Lucille Roybal-Allard and Carolyn C. Kilpatrick represent districts with both Title I EMAs and Title III grantees, Rep. Sam Farr and Rep. Kay Granger represent districts served by a Title III grantee, and Rep. Jesse L. Jackson and Rep. Maurice D. Hinchey represent districts with a Title I EMA.

There are two new members on the Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education: Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham (R-CA) and Rep. Jesse L. Jackson, Jr., (D-IL), both of whom represent Title I EMAs, San Diego and Chicago, respectively. Rep. Cunningham also represents a district with a Title III grantee.

The members of the House Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee are:

#### Republicans

John Edward Porter, IL, *Chairman*  
C.W. Bill Young, FL  
Henry Bonilla, TX  
Ernest J. Istook, Jr., OK  
Dan Miller, FL  
Jay Dickey, AK  
Roger R. Wicker, MS  
Anne Northup, KY  
**Randy "Duke" Cunningham, CA**

#### Democrats

David R. Obey, WI, *Ranking*  
Steny H. Hoyer, MD  
Nancy Pelosi, CA  
Nita M. Lowey, NY  
Rosa DeLauro, CT  
**Jesse L. Jackson, Jr., IL**

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#### House Budget Committee

The House Committee on Budget has undergone substantial changes in membership, but the leadership of the Committee has not changed. Rep. John R. Kasich (R-OH) will continue as the Chairman and Rep. John M. Spratt, Jr., (D-SC) will continue as the Ranking minority member. Two important allies, however, have left the committee -- Rep. Dan Miller (R-FL) and Rep. Lynn Woolsey (D-CA).

Rep. Chris Shays (R-New Haven, CT), Rep. Lynn Rivers (D-MI), Rep. Edward Markey (D-Boston, MA), Rep. James Moran (D-Alexandria, VA), Rep. Jim McDermott (D-Seattle, WA) and Rep. Tammy Baldwin (D-Madison, WI) are particularly strong targets for work on the budget resolution. All these representatives come from a Title I EMA with the exception of Rep. Baldwin, and all represent cities with a Title III grantee or grantees. Rep. Shays comes from a district with a Title III grantee.

Other members of the House Budget Committee representing Title I EMAs are: Bob Franks (R-NJ), Charles Bass (R-NH), Joe Knollenberg (R-MI), William Thornberry (R-TX), Jim Ryun (R-KS), Mac Collins (R-GA), Gary Miller (R-CA), Pat Toomey (R-PA), Ken Bentsen (D-TX), Darlene Hooley (D-OR), Joseph Hoeffel (D-PA). All members of the House Budget Committee, with the exception of Charles Bass (R-NH), Gil Gutknecht (R-MN), Van Hilleary (R-TN), John Sununu (R-NH), Zack Wamp (R-TN), David Minge (D-MN) and Bob Clement (D-TN) are from states with a Title III grantee. Some, such as Saxby Chambliss (R-GA), the second ranking Republican, Pat Toomey (R-PA), Ken Bentsen (D-TX) and Rush D. Holt (D-NJ) represent a district with at least one Title III grantee.

Members of the House Budget Committee are (new members in bold):

#### Republicans

John R. Kasich, OH, *Chairman*  
**Saxby Chambliss, GA, *Speaker's Designee* \***  
 Christopher Shays, CT  
 Wally Herger, CA  
 Bob Franks, NJ  
 Nick Smith, MI  
 Jim Nussle, IA  
 Peter Hoekstra, MI  
 George Radanovich, CA  
 Charles F. Bass, NH  
 Gil Gutknecht, MN  
 Van Hilleary, TN  
 John E. Sununu, NH  
 Joseph Pitts, PA  
**Joe Knollenberg, MI**  
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#### Democrats

John M. Spratt, Jr., SC, *Ranking*  
 Jim McDermott, WA  
 Lynn N. Rivers, MI  
 Bennie G. Thompson, MI  
 David Minge, MN  
 Den Bentsen, TX  
 Jim Davis, FL  
 Robert A. Weygand, RI  
 Eva M. Clayton, NC  
 David E. Price, NC  
**Edward J. Markey, MA**  
**Gerald D. Kleczka, WI**  
**Bob Clement, TN**  
**James P. Moran, VA**  
**Darlene Hooley, OR**

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**William M. "Mac" Thornberry, TX**  
**Jim Ryun, KS**  
**Mac Collins, GA**  
**Zack Wamp, TN**  
**Mark Green, WI**  
**Ernie Fletcher, KY**  
**Gary Miller, CA**  
**Paul Ryan, WI**  
**Pat Toomey, PA**

**Ken Lucas, KY**  
**Rush D. Holt, NJ**  
**Joseph M. Hoeffel III, PA**  
**Tammy Baldwin, WI**

**CONCLUSION**

While the 106<sup>th</sup> Congress overall may be marginally more receptive on AIDS issues than the last, it is nonetheless clear that many hurdles are there to be crossed. Appropriations increases will not come easy despite budget surpluses. Rigid caps on domestic discretionary spending remain in place, and the two political parties differ greatly in how to spend the surplus.

Moreover, Gary Bauer's Family Research Council has again taken aim at the Ryan White CARE Act, calling for an audit of all AIDS funds before Congress reauthorizes the CARE Act which expires September 30, 2000. And 2000 is an election year. Late this year, maybe before, strong partisanship will settle in on Capitol Hill and remain there until after the elections. Little will be accomplished. In such a highly partisan context, attempts will be made to use issues, including potentially reauthorization of the CARE Act, for their impact in the fall 2000 elections. Failure to reauthorize the Ryan White CARE Act could be used to please a radical conservative base and simultaneously to anger/energize/mobilize a Democratic base. Advocates must beware to avoid the pitfalls of such political scenarios.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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March 8, 1999

CORR- 3/99  
SLT outgoing

The Honorable Brian Bilbray  
Member of Congress  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1530 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0549

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

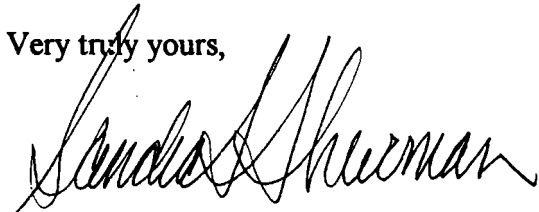
Dear Representative Bilbray:

This past World AIDS Day (December 1, 1998), the President requested that I lead a trip to Southern Africa to look at the growing crisis of children orphaned by AIDS. The U.S. Agency for International Development has estimated that there will be over 40 million AIDS orphans by the year 2010, most of whom will live in sub-Saharan Africa.

Because of logistical difficulties and safety concerns, it has been difficult to schedule this trip. However, it has now been scheduled for the April recess, leaving March 27 and returning April 5. The current plan is to visit Zambia, Uganda, and South Africa. We believe that this schedule allows for a well-rounded view of both the growing crisis and the programs that are demonstrating positive results.

While I realize that this is short notice, I would very much appreciate it if you would give strong consideration to joining us. Your participation in this trip will make a world of difference. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Michael Iskowitz at (202) 456-2437. Thank you for your time and your consideration, as well as your continued support of efforts to address the AIDS crisis both here and across the globe.

Very truly yours,



Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 17, 1999

Professor M.P. Kirpichnikov  
Minister  
Ministry of Science & Technologies  
of the Russian Federation  
11, Tverskaja Street  
Moscow, Russia

*Tell*

Dear Minister Kirpichnikov:

I am writing with respect to the meeting which I had with Deputy Minister Dr. V.A. Knjazhev and Russian HIV Vaccine Coordinator Dr. Andrei P. Kozlov in May of 1998.

The meeting proved very useful as we continued discussions on the necessary collaboration between Russia and the United States to combat HIV and AIDS. As we work to develop an HIV vaccine as well as build on prevention and treatment efforts, the collaborative work of the two countries has become even more important.

I hope to continue on our path of cooperation and look forward to working with you towards ending this epidemic.

Sincerely,



Sandra Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

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March 29, 1999

Whitney A. Taylor  
4455 Connecticut Avenue, NW,  
Suite B-500  
Washington, DC 20008-2328

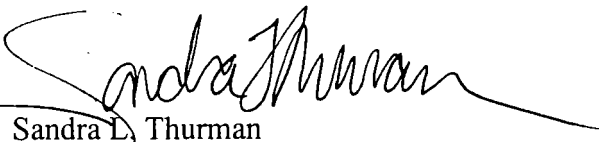
Dear Ms. Taylor:

Thank you for your kind invitation to the Drug Policy Foundation's 12th International Conference on Drug Policy Reform on May 12-15 in Bethesda, Maryland. It is with regret that I must decline, as my travel schedule is extremely tight this spring.

As you know, the dual epidemics of drugs and HIV/AIDS continue to drain America's resources with a particularly devastating affect on our youth. I applaud your continued dedication to creating effective drug abuse strategies that include the very important and timely issue of HIV/AIDS.

I wish you much success on the 12th International Conference on Drug Policy Reform.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy



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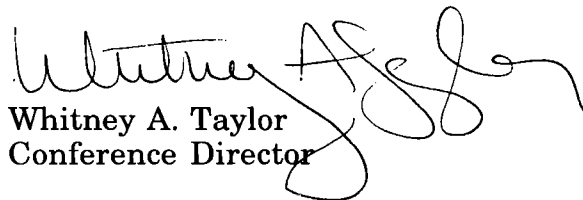
Dear Director Thurman:

The Drug Policy Foundation (DPF), an independent nonprofit organization, has begun preparations for its 12th International Conference on Drug Policy Reform. This event will be taking place May 12-15, 1999 in Bethesda, Maryland. The DPF conference brings together doctors, lawyers, policy-makers, and concerned citizens to discuss how the United States can create an effective strategy to control drug abuse and the many problems associated with it, including HIV/AIDS. It would be a great honor if you could join us as a keynote speaker at this event.

I realize that your schedule is very demanding. Therefore, anytime you may be available from the evening of May 12 to the evening of May 15, we would be happy to place you on the schedule. DPF and many of our associates have been intimately involved with the development and implementation of HIV/AIDS prevention models, especially syringe exchange programs. Your defense of this vital, life-saving tool was an inspiration to us all.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about the Foundation or the International Conference. I hope that you will find the time to join us in the discussion of how best to curb the ravages caused by drug abuse and HIV/AIDS around the world. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

  
Whitney A. Taylor  
Conference Director

*Online*  
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March 30, 1999

Peter J. Visclosky  
215 West 35th Avenue  
Gary, Indiana 46408

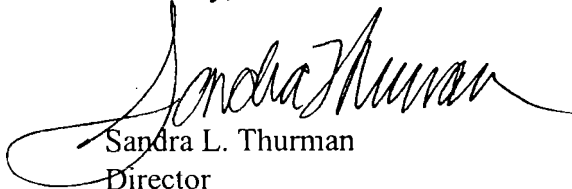
Dear Mr. Visclosky:

Thank you for the kind invitation to join you for a public discussion on managed care and HMO issues on April 7, 1999 in Merrillville, Indiana.

It is with regret that I must decline the invitation to the public discussion. I will be leading a congressional delegation on a fact finding mission to Sub-Saharan Africa during the first week in April.

Best wishes for a successful public discussion on managed care and HMO issues.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

PETER J. VISCLOSKY  
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March 7, 1999

Ms. Sandra Thurman  
Director  
National Aids Policy Office  
736 Jackson Place, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20503

*Decline again  
in April for the  
HMO issues!*

Dear Sandra:

I invite you to a public discussion on managed care and HMO issues that I am hosting. As Congress begins to consider Patient Protection legislation, I want to hear from you and make sure that your views are fairly represented in the health care debate.

Joining us will be Julia Vaughn, an expert in Indiana's grievance law, who will tell you what you can expect from your HMO in terms of appealing health care decisions, and what you now have the right to demand. Also, Professor Robert Blomquist, of Valparaiso University Law School, will tell you what your legal options are once the grievance process has run out.

**WHERE: Merrillville High School, Lecture Hall**  
**276 East 68th Place**  
**Merrillville, Indiana**

**WHEN: April 7, 1999**  
**6:30-8:00pm**

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact my Gary office at (219) 884-1177. I hope you will be able to participate in this event, and I look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,



Peter J. Visclosky  
Member of Congress

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THE WHITE HOUSE

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March 24, 1999

*F. L. Outgoing*

Henry Ponder  
CEO, President  
National Association for Equal Opportunity  
In Higher Education  
8701 Georgia Avenue  
Suite 200  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Mr. Ponder:

Thank you so much for your interest in our upcoming Presidential Mission to Africa,  
March 27 – April 5, 1999.

The Manifest for this particular trip was very limited. I would, however, like to meet  
with NAFEO upon my return so that we may discuss how to work together towards a  
more culturally sensitive response to the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

I look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

*Sandra L. Thurman*

Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

*Sent the  
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*[Signature]*

# National Association For Equal Opportunity In Higher Education

8701 Georgia Avenue, Suite 200, Silver Spring, MD 20910

Telephone (301) 650-2440, Fax No. (301) 495-3306

March 16, 1999

Ms. Sandy Thurman

Director

The Office of National AIDS Policy

The White House

Washington, DC

Dear Ms. Thurman:

It has come to my attention, that the White House is in the process of creating an investigatory trip on AIDS to Africa. While this letter might be a little late, I surely hope that you will consider it and consider placing NAFEO in the delegation of those to attend this most crucial fact-finding and policy formulation mission. I also hope that you will add our name to your mailing list and allow us to be a part of the efforts of the National AIDS Policy Office.

The National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO) is the association of 118 historically and predominantly Black colleges and universities in the United States. This organization is governed by of the presidents and chancellors of these illustrious institutions. We have been operating for thirty (30) years and are approaching our 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Blacks in Higher Education.

In the nineteen eighty's (1980's) NAFEO had the privilege of instituting the first linkages programs between African and African American colleges, this project was funded with a grant from the United States Agency for International Development. We have had the privilege of working with the Department of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for more than eleven (11) years on AIDS projects. NAFEO has been at the forefront of providing culturally specific HIV/AIDS educational training including basic facts on transmission, treatment, testing, and prevention to faculty and students at historically and predominantly black colleges and universities.

Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) since 1988, NAFEO has established a comprehensive, three-tiered prevention program for HBCU students, faculty and administrators, as well as developed a technical assistance component to build capacity among community-based organizations (i.e. service providers, health department personnel and others) who serve minority at risk populations for serious health problems.

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Ms. Sandy Thurman  
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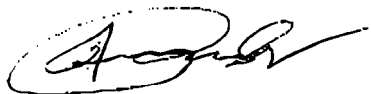
NAFEO's recent accomplishments include:

- Providing basic HIV/AIDS certification training through our Peer Educator Training Program to HBCU students and faculty – this training has been coordinated through the American Red Cross for the last five years.
- Provide capacity-building technical assistance to community-based organizations (CBOs), health service providers, health department personnel and other community entities to help strengthen their organizational capacity to deliver vital educational and preventive services to their constituents. Specific workshops include: grant and proposal writing/funding resources; program planning, monitoring and evaluation; and coalition building/collaboration.
- Provide training and assistance to campus decision-makers, presidents, chancellors, deans, and others to get them to support prevention programs on campus.
- Provide competitive mini-grant stipends to HBCUs for innovative HIV/AIDS projects; and provide grants to Presidents and Chancellors to conduct workshops around HIV/AIDS for their peers.

While this is not all that we do, we want you to know the dedicated commitment NAFEO has demonstrated to the education and training for prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS. And, because we have worked at the community level and have has international experience, we know that being a part of this delegation would benefit the nation and NAFEO.

It is sincerely hoped that you will consider this request and invite NAFEO to be a part of this delegation. We would be most grateful if you will keep us on your mailing list and allow us to serve on your advisory board.

Sincerely,



Henry Ponder  
CEO and President



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## OFFICE OF NATIONAL AIDS POLICY

### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Phone: (202) 456-AIDS (2437)  
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TO:

Mr. Henry Ponder

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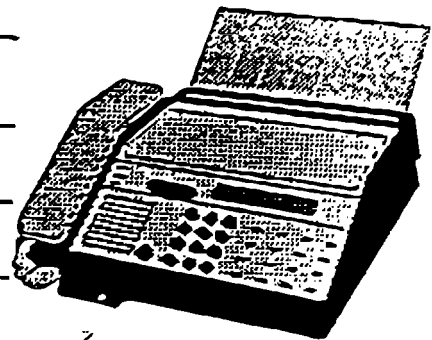
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 2, 1999

Steve Gunderson  
Family AIDS Network  
Managing Trustee  
1611 North Kent Street, Suite 1003  
Arlington, VA 22209

Dear Mr. Gunderson:

Thank you for your letter expressing interest concerning the state of the federal fight against AIDS. The Family AIDS Network plays an important role in educating the AIDS community. I commend you for your continuing effort in promoting communication on HIV/AIDS.

The Federal Government has three central responsibilities in leading the fight against AIDS. The roles consist of supporting research for improved treatments, a cure for those who are living with HIV/AIDS, and a preventive vaccine to protect those who are uninfected; helping communities cope with the financial costs of caring for those who are living with HIV/AIDS; and working with communities to foster behaviors that prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS.

The Office of National AIDS Policy was established by President Clinton in 1993 to provide the Federal government with a greater focus on the issues related to the epidemic of HIV/AIDS. The office provides broad direction for the Federal AIDS policy and fosters interdepartmental communication on HIV/AIDS. The office works closely with the AIDS community both in the United States and around the world.

Our office has assisted in developing new initiatives to address the changing demands of this epidemic. For example, on October 28, 1998, the President announced a comprehensive new initiative that invests an unprecedented \$156 million to improve the nation's effectiveness in preventing and treating HIV/AIDS in the African-American, Hispanic, and other minority communities. Similarly, this past World AIDS Day, the President joined by Secretary Albright and USAID Administrator Atwood announced a new \$10 million emergency effort to help with the growing number of children across the world orphaned by AIDS.

Recently, the administration proposed substantial increases in AIDS specific programs--over \$162 million--as well as several special initiatives that will be critical to addressing the ongoing needs of those living with HIV/AIDS. These include support for the Jeffords-Kennedy Work Incentives Improvement Act, Patients' Bill of Rights, increased Medicaid coverage for immigrants, and support for long-term care.

President Clinton and Vice President Gore have worked hard to invigorate the response to HIV and AIDS, providing new national leadership, substantially greater resources and a closer working relationship with affected communities. Please let us know how we can be helpful to you in your work to stop AIDS.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

# Family AIDS Network, Inc.

MARY FISHER, FOUNDER

February 5, 1999

Sandra L. Thurman  
Director, Office of National AIDS Policy at the White House  
736 Jackson Place NW  
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Ms. Thurman;

On behalf of Mary Fisher's Family AIDS Network, I want to congratulate you on your long history of service to and advocacy for those affected and infected by HIV/AIDS. Your efforts to educate the American people about the growing complacency toward the epidemic is an inspiration to our organization.

As you may know, the Family AIDS Network is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to *"identify, design and promote communication strategies and partnerships which effect positive change within families in the AIDS community and in the nation as a whole."* To support this, the Network mails bi-annual information packets to communicate the realities of HIV/AIDS to our supporters. In the past, these packets have included national statistics, cutting-edge research updates and speeches from the Network's founder, Mary Fisher. **I'm writing now to ask if you would write a letter detailing the state of the federal fight against AIDS for our next information packet. It will be mailed to an audience of approximately 5,000 people nationwide who have expressed interest – through financial or other support – in our efforts to combat the AIDS epidemic.**

A letter from you will be a powerful way to communicate the realities of the epidemic to our supporters. We would like to include the letter in our March mailing, so we will need it by February 18, 1999. Please feel free to call me at (703) 243-8242 if you have any questions or want to discuss the focus of the letter. Thank you in advance for your participation in this informative and worthwhile project.

Sincerely,

Steve Gunderson  
Managing Trustee

Cc: Rose DiNapoli  
Phyllis Greenberger

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FROM:

SUE J. SMITH *SJS*  
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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:

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Director, Agency Liaison  
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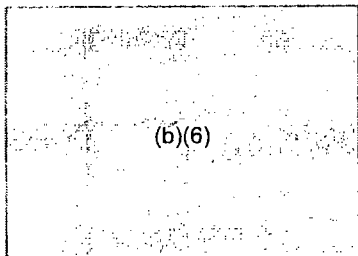
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 26, 1999



[0029]

Thank you for taking the time to share with Mrs. Clinton your concerns about the devastating impact that HIV disease is having on the American public. The First Lady asked me to respond to your letter. I am saddened to hear that you are so directly effected by this epidemic and I wish you the best of health.

The Office of National AIDS Policy is working diligently with all federal departments and agencies to address the HIV prevention, services and research needs of all Americans. The issues you raised, including education, HIV testing, and the increasing number of women and African Americans that are becoming infected, are of key concern to this office and the President.

The Clinton Administration has done more to fight this disease than any other administration and will continue to do so. Vaccine research has never been stronger, as we continue to care for the millions that are presently affected by the virus. Recently, the Administration has proposed substantial increases in AIDS specific programs, over \$162 million in funding, as well as several special initiatives that will be critical to addressing the ongoing needs of those living with HIV/AIDS. These include support for the Jeffords-Kennedy Work Incentives Improvement Act, Patient's Bill of Rights, increased Medicaid coverage for immigrants, and support for long-term care.

The Administration also continues to address HIV/AIDS in racial and ethnic communities. On October 28, 1998, the President announced a comprehensive new initiative that invests an unprecedented \$156 million to improve the nation's effectiveness in preventing and treating HIV/AIDS in the African-American, Hispanic, and other minority communities.

As a society, we must all strive to do what we can to prevent new infections because this epidemic is far from over. I commend your continued efforts to educate your local community about HIV/AIDS related issues and wish you the best of luck in all your future endeavors.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman

Director

Office of National AIDS Policy

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[002b]

Hillary Rodham-Clinton  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D. C. 20500

January 27, 1999

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

I am writing to you as a concerned woman hoping, with your support, to make a difference in the world. I know the past year has been filled with turmoil and unrest for you and your family and I want to encourage you to be strong and stay focused. This life lesson can be used to benefit the masses by broadening the awareness, increasing knowledge, and encouraging understanding on so many different levels.

I am a young woman living with AIDS. I became infected through unprotected sex with my fiancé who didn't know he was infected. I was twenty-one when I met him in 1991 and back then those at risk for HIV infection were homosexuals, I.V. drug users, or those infected through blood transfusions. Neither one of us fell into those categories so we assumed that we were taking no risk at all. Today we know better and I would like to stop the spread of this disease by giving young people the tools of knowledge. My fiancé lost his battle with this disease in 1995, only a year after he was diagnosed. We were in a monogamous relationship for four years and unfortunately, he was infected six years before we even met.

The point of my correspondence is to encourage you to address the issues that are affecting our nation by shifting the focus from infidelity to the health issues that were never raised. Women are the fastest growing group of new infection and the majority of them were in what they thought were monogamous relationships. The American Public needs to hear that AIDS is not going away and that anyone having unprotected sex is still at risk. People have become complacent with reports of the decline of AIDS related deaths but what needs to be stressed is the increase of new infection. It is still the leading cause of death for African American women between the ages of 25-44. Our fight is far from over so I ask for your support and your voice to re-ignite the once burning concern AIDS commanded.

I work for a non-profit organization in California called Women At Risk as the Education/Outreach Coordinator. My job is to arrange speaking engagements at high schools, colleges, for doctors and clinical workers, to help people see what the face of AIDS looks like today. You can't tell by looking at me that I have AIDS. I am always asked if you can contract the virus through oral sex and the answer is yes. Both people are at risk regardless of who is doing what to whom. It is imperative that we use this opportunity to educate and re-emphasize the importance of safer sex practices or at the very least encourage testing. The majority of people infected do not know it! Everyone having any form of unprotected sex (vaginal, anal, and oral), is at risk.

My hope is that you see how important this topic is to the welfare of our nation and come forward to voice your concerns and encourage people to get tested. Our fight is far from over and our nation needs strong role models, like you, to encourage awareness and understanding to help prevent anymore infection of our young people.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you with your ideas through correspondence and/or by addressing the public directly.

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OFFICE OF NATIONAL AIDS POLICY  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
THE WHITE HOUSE

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FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET

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TO:

[Tommy Amico]

COMPANY:

White House Office of National AIDS

Policy

FAX NUMBER:

816-531-7199

FROM:

Sarah Holewinski for Sandy Thurman

DATE:

March 1, 1999

PAGES:

[# of Pages (including cover)]

COMMENTS:

Hey Tommy! Hope you're there, though I would expect that you are running around like crazy with the Week of Prayer. I wanted to make sure that you received my voice mail asking for an address for a Saturday morning Fed-Ex. I hope that this letter can still be of some use...

Give us a call and let us know how the Week turns out. It sounds wonderful.

Take care,  
Sarah

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*Please send - original to*  
*Tommy -*  
*Michael -*  
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*Frank*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 25, 1999

Reverend Eric D. Williams  
Co-Chairperson  
Black Church Week of Prayer  
2801 Wyandotte Suite 167  
Kansas City, Missouri 64108

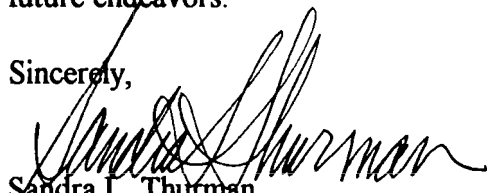
Dear Reverend Williams:

I understand that African American Churches throughout the Kansas City area will be hosting a Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS of Greater Kansas City beginning March 1, 1999. I would like to offer you my congratulations and commend you on your continued efforts to help heal those living with and affected by HIV and AIDS.

The response to the epidemic by communities of faith continues to meet the needs of individuals spiritually. Your hard work and dedication is not only extremely valuable to the community, but serves as a model of collaborative efforts that take place in communities of faith that are driven by compassion and cooperation. I applaud the service each congregation continues to give to the community.

Again, congratulations! I wish each of you the very best during your spiritual healing and in all future endeavors.

Sincerely,



Sandra L. Thurman

Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

PAT DANNER  
6TH DISTRICT  
MISSOURI

January 30, 1998

Reverend Eric D. Williams  
Co-Chairperson  
Black Church Week of Prayer  
2801 Wyandotte Suite 167  
Kansas City, Missouri 64108

Dear Reverend Williams:

I understand that African American Churches throughout the Kansas City area will be hosting a Black Church Week of Prayer for the Healing of AIDS of Greater Kansas City beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>. I would like to take this opportunity to offer my congratulations.

Your hard work and dedication to serving the local community's spiritual and physical needs associated with this terrible disease is truly commendable. I applaud the service each congregation continues to give the community. Your efforts are a shining example of responsible American citizenship.

Again, congratulations! I wish each of you the very best in all your future endeavors.

Best regards,

Pat Danner  
Member of Congress

*Handwritten notes:*  
R - Please turn  
a nice letter from SCT similar  
to what we've done before  
for their week of prayer  
+ then call Tommy  
Amico, let him  
know that we'll  
have it  
Wednesday  
night for  
Thursday  
delivery!  
Thanks!  
(Leave on my  
chair when  
done)  
J

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**FAX TRANSMITTAL COVER PAGE**

TO: Sarah

COMPANY: White house AIDS

FROM: Tommy Carmico

FAX #: 202-456-2439 DATE: 2/22/99 PAGES INC. COVER: 2

MESSAGE: Call if you need anything!

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# **OFFICE OF NATIONAL AIDS POLICY**

## **EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

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736 Jackson Place, NW  
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(202) 456-2437  
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**TO:**

**Ms. Alison Kolwaite**

**FAX NUMBER:**

**456-5123**

**FROM:**

**Sandy Thurman**

**DATE:**

**March 1, 1999/4:06 PM Eastern**

**PAGES:**

**2**

**COMMENTS:**

**Please accept the following faxed recommendation for the application of Ms. Johanna Kiehl to the White House Internship Program (original to follow through inter-office mail). Thank you so much!**



**OFFICE OF NATIONAL AIDS POLICY  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
THE WHITE HOUSE**

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**FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL SHEET**

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**TO:**  
**Michael Vance**

**COMPANY:**  
**WH Office of National AIDS Policy**

**FAX NUMBER:**  
**404 - 639-8600**

**FROM:**  
**Sarah for Sandy Thurman**

**DATE:**  
**March 1, 1999**

**PAGES:**

**1**

**COMMENTS:**

**Hello Michael -Thanks for your patience on this - it's absolutely crazy around here. This are the issues that Sandy specifically would like to discuss during her meeting with Dr. Gayle and Dr. Copland on March 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM here at 736 Jackson Place (how's that for all the logistics?):**

- The allocation of prevention dollars currently being spent**
- Testing**
- Names Reporting**
- Brainstorming on future plans for prevention campaigns.**

**Let me know if you need anything further. Thanks!**



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**736 Jackson Place, NW  
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**TO:**

**Georgetown Admissions Board**

**FAX NUMBER:**

**687-5084**

**FROM:**

**Sandra L. Thurman**

**DATE:**

**March 1, 1999/4:06 PM Eastern**

**PAGES:**

**2 (Including cover sheet)**

**COMMENTS:**

**Please accept the following recommendation for the  
application of Justin Pascal Jones to the Georgetown  
University School of Business.**

**Thank you.**

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 25, 1999

Office of Undergraduate Admissions  
Georgetown School of Business  
Georgetown University  
Washington, DC 20057-1002

Dear Georgetown Admissions Board:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Justin Pascal Jones for admission to the Georgetown University School of Business.

While I certainly understand that Georgetown has no shortage of extraordinary young men and women from which to choose, I think that Justin, whom I have known most of his life, possesses a unique combination of academic potential and an indomitable work ethic that enables him to give as much as he gets in all his endeavors. Justin would be a delightful addition to your student body.

During the time that I have known Justin, he has exhibited a keen understanding of the complexities of the business world as well as the dedication needed to succeed in it. He has continually dedicated himself to a variety of school, community and business related activities, constantly pushing himself to develop the skills he will need to succeed.

While Justin has had the unique opportunity to observe and learn about the challenges and rewards of the real business world, he will certainly benefit from the formal educational background that is so necessary to further his career. I am certain that his talents and intellect will thrive under Georgetown's rigorous academic training.

I encourage you to consider Justin's application for admittance carefully, not only for his sake, but for the University's as well. The gift of education and validation you give to him will be returned tenfold. I can think of no better candidate for admission to the Georgetown University School of Business.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 456-2437.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy



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736 Jackson Place, NW  
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**TO:**

Johanna Kiehl

**FAX NUMBER:**

706-542-4611

**FROM:**

Sarah for Sandy Thurman

**DATE:**

March 1, 1999/4:06 PM Eastern

**PAGES:**

2

**COMMENTS:**

Hey Johanna!

Got it in on time...no more worrying!

I'd wish you good luck, but know that you will be perfectly fine without it...

Take care and I'll see you very soon,  
Sarah

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 25, 1999

Alison M. Kolwaite  
Director  
White House Office of Intern Programs  
Old Executive Office Building  
Room 98  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Kolwaite:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Johanna Kiehl for admission to the White House Intern Program.

While I certainly understand that the internship program has no shortage of extraordinary young men and women from which to choose, I think that Johanna, whom I have known most of her life, possesses a unique combination of academic potential and an indomitable work ethic that enables her to give as much as she gets in all her endeavors. Johanna would be a delightful addition to the program.

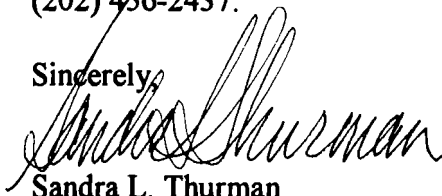
During the time that I have known Johanna, she has exhibited the dedication, leadership ability and personal drive necessary to succeed. She has continually dedicated herself to a variety of school and community related activities, constantly pushing to better both her own skills and the lives of others.

While Johanna has had the unique opportunity to learn from the many extraordinary activities in which she has taken part, she will certainly benefit from the skills she will gain from an internship at the White House. I am certain that her talents and intellect will thrive under the rigorous demands of such an experience.

I encourage you to consider Johanna's application for admittance carefully, not only for her sake, but for the Administration's as well. The gift of political and policy experience you give her will be returned tenfold. I can think of no better candidate for admission to the White House Internship Program.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 456-2437.

Sincerely,

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Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 3, 1999

The Honorable Barbara Lee  
Member of Congress  
U. S. House of Representatives  
2108 Rayburn House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515

**RE: Delegation to Southern Africa Responding to AIDS Orphan Crisis**

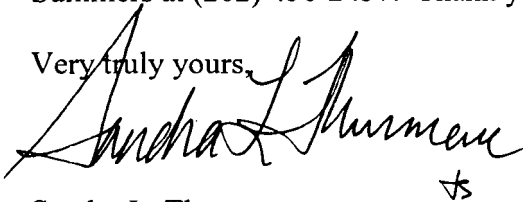
Dear Representative Lee:

This past World AIDS Day (December 1, 1998), the President requested that I lead a trip to Southern Africa to look at the growing crisis of children orphaned by AIDS. The U.S. Agency for International Development has estimated that there will be over 40 million AIDS orphans by the year 2010, most of whom will live in sub-Saharan Africa.

I know that you have received several letters from me regarding this trip and soliciting your interest in participating. Unfortunately, because of logistical difficulties and safety concerns, the trip had to be postponed from the original January dates. The trip has now been rescheduled for the April recess, leaving March 27 and returning April 5. The current plan is to visit Zambia, Uganda, and South Africa. We believe that this schedule allows for a well rounded view of both the growing crisis and the programs that are demonstrating positive results.

I very much appreciate your patience with the necessary changes in this trip, and your continued support of efforts to address the AIDS crisis both here and across the globe. Your participation in this trip will make a world of difference and I hope you will be able to join us. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Todd Summers at (202) 456-2437. Thank you for your time and your consideration.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sandra L. Thurman", with a small flourish at the end.

Sandra L. Thurman  
Director  
Office of National AIDS Policy