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This is per our conversation
today. Let me know if
I can help in any way.

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July 9, 1993

Kristine M. Gebbie, RN, MN, FAAN
AIDS Policy Coordinator
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Dear Ms. Gebbie:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on your recent appointment, and to wish you the best of luck as you begin to deal with the difficult problems the AIDS epidemic poses for American society.

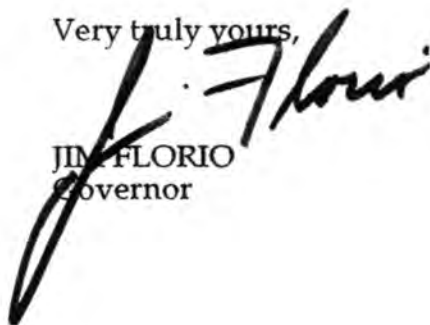
As you know, New Jersey ranks fifth among all states in cumulative death from AIDS. Much has been done here to confront this epidemic; much more remains to be done. Accordingly, upon the recommendation of my Advisory Council on AIDS, and with the financial support of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, I have convened a New Jersey AIDS "Summit" for July 28, 1993 at Rutgers University - New Brunswick Campus.

This is, I believe, the first time such a spectrum of a state's public and private sector leadership has been convened to be educated about AIDS and to search for new and more broadly-based strategies to contain it.

I would be delighted if you could join New Jersey's Commissioner of Health, Dr. Bruce Siegel; Chairperson of the National Commission on AIDS, Dr. June Osborn; my AIDS Advisory Council and me--among many others--at the AIDS Summit and offer some remarks from your unique perspective as National AIDS Policy Coordinator.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could join us for a short time on the 28th. President Clinton, during the campaign, delivered his major policy address on AIDS here in New Jersey. It would certainly be newsworthy and help to advance his agenda on this issue if you could address this major statewide summit of the AIDS community. Please contact Brenda Bacon, Chief of my Office of Management and Planning, to indicate your availability. She can be reached at (609) 777-2207. I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Florio". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

JIM FLORIO
Governor

c. President Clinton
Carol H. Rasco ✓



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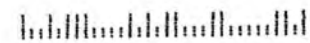
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THE WHITE HOUSE

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Dear Reverend South,

Thank you for your letter. I sincerely apologize for the omission of your organization from the ceremony. We will work hard to keep this from happening again.

Sincerely,
Carol Rasco



June 29, 1993

Ms. Carol Rasco
The White House
Domestic Policy Council
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Dear Ms. Rasco:

The AIDS National Interfaith Network, as one of only eight, Washington based, national AIDS organizations is, for the first time since the beginning of the epidemic, able to sincerely support the President and offer our network of over 3,000 AIDS ministries. However, there seems to be a communication breakdown between organizations like ours and the staff of the White House.

Twice in the last two months there have been requests by the White House to involve national AIDS organizations in meetings. One was to provide input on health care reform policy and the other was the ceremony to swear in Kristine Gebbie as the first AIDS policy coordinator, in which the religious community in general and ANIN in particular was excluded. We sincerely hope this was an oversight due to lack of information about who we are and what we do.

I have included information about our organization as well as a list of National AIDS Organizations that meet the criteria of having AIDS as their only mission, a national constituency and full time staff. We hope this is useful in future meetings.

We, like many others, have been working to see the end of this horrible epidemic over the last ten years. We were encouraged with the election of President Clinton and are still extremely optimistic that his leadership, and that of his staff, will make a dramatic impact on this epidemic. Help us help you by including us along with our colleagues in future efforts.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Rev. Kenneth T. South
Executive Director

National Member Organizations (Partial Listing) • AIDS Action and Information Program, Unitarian Universalist Association • Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc. • Church Women United • DIGNITY/USA, National AIDS Project • Friars of the Atonement • Health and Welfare Ministries Department, General Board of Global Ministries, United Methodist Church • HIV/AIDS Ministries Network, Church of the Brethren • International Council of Community Churches • National Catholic AIDS Network • National Episcopal AIDS Coalition • National Episcopal Church, Joint Commission on AIDS • Office for Church in Society, United Church of Christ • Presbyterians for Lesbian/Gay Concerns • Social Justice and Peacemaking Ministry Unit, Presbyterian Church (USA) • U.S. Office, World Council of Churches • Union of American Hebrew Congregations • United Church AIDS/HIV Network • United Church Board for Homeland Ministries • United Church Coalition for Lesbian/Gay Concerns • Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches

Local/Regional Member Organizations (Partial Listing) • AIDS Action Working Group, Unitarian Universalist Church of North Hills, Pittsburgh • AIDS Chaplaincy Program, San Diego • AIDS Committee, Episcopal Diocese of New York • AIDS Education Project, New York Annual Conference, United Methodist Church • AIDS Interfaith Council of Minnesota • AIDS Interfaith of Marin, San Anselmo, CA • AIDS Interfaith Ministries of Louisville, KY • AIDS Interfaith Network, Baltimore • AIDS Interfaith Network, Detroit • AIDS Interfaith Network of the East Bay, Oakland, CA • AIDS Interfaith Network, New Haven, CT • AIDS Interfaith Network, Inc., (North Texas), Dallas • AIDS Interfaith Network of New Jersey • AIDS Interfaith Network, Omaha • AIDS Ministries, Catholic Archdiocese of San Francisco • AIDS Ministries Program, Hartford, CT • AIDS Outreach, Franciscan Center, Baltimore • AIDS Pastoral Care Network, Chicago • AIDS Resource Center, New York • AIDS Response Program, Garden Grove, CA • AIDS Task Force, Louisiana Annual Conference, United Methodist Church • AIDS Task Force, Plymouth Congregational Church, Seattle • AIDS-Task Force, Presbytery of Chicago • AIDS Task Force, Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy, St. Louis, MO • AIDS Task Force, Western Reserve Association, Ohio Conference, United Church of Christ • AIDS/HIV Commission, Episcopal Diocese of Central PA • Akron Metropolitan Christian Church, Akron, OH • An Ark of Love, Inc., Oakland, CA • Bronx Episcopal AIDS Ministries, Bronx, NY • Catholic Charities of Chicago • Committee on AIDS Ministries, Southern New England Conference, United Methodist Church • Committee on AIDS/HIV Ministries, Baltimore Conference, United Methodist Church • Community Maternity Services, Farano Center for Children, Albany, NY • Congregation Mishkan Israel, Hamden, CT • Department of Christian Social Relations, AIDS Sub-Committee, Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky • Department of Church in Society, Connecticut Conference, United Church of Christ • Episcopal Caring Response to AIDS, Washington, DC • Episcopal Diocese of Iowa • First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, Albany, NY • Friends Alliance, Detroit • Genesis AIDS Project, Winter Park, FL • Greater Rochester AIDS Interfaith Network, Rochester, NY • Health Information Network, Seattle • Inter-Faith Ministries - Wichita, KS • Interfaith AIDS Ministry of Greater Danbury, Danbury, CT • Interfaith AIDS Ministry, Inc., West Newton, MA • Interreligious Coalition on AIDS, San Francisco • Jewish Family and Children's Services, San Francisco • John XXIII AIDS Ministry, Monterey, CA • Lutheran Social Services, AIDS Ministry, Falls Church, VA • Metropolitan Community Church in the Valley, North Hollywood, CA • Metropolitan Community Church of Dallas • Metropolitan Community Church of Portland, OR • Metropolitan Community Church of Washington, DC • Metropolitan Community Church, Key West, FL • Metropolitan Community Church-Long Beach, CA • Milwaukee AIDS Project • Ministerial Network on AIDS, Pittsburgh • Multifaith AIDS Project of Seattle • Northern Indiana AIDS Ministry, South Bend, IN • Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry, Alexandria, VA • Outreach Board, Community Church of Chesterland, OH • Project Lazarus, New Orleans • Regional AIDS Interfaith Network, New Orleans • Religious Coalition on AIDS, Allentown, PA • San Francisco Monthly Meeting, Religious Society of Friends • Social Concerns Commission, Wisconsin Conference of the United Church of Christ • South Central Synod of Wisconsin, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America • South Dakota Conference, United Church of Christ • St. Luke's AIDS Ministry, St. Luke's Metropolitan Community Church, Jacksonville, FL • Synod of the Northeast, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) • Task Force on AIDS Ministries, Monmouth (NJ) Presbytery • Task Force on AIDS Ministry, Rocky Mountain Conference, United Methodist Church • Temple Beth Chayim Chadashim, Los Angeles • Trinity United Church of Christ, Newton, KS • United Methodist Urban Ministry, Wichita, KS • Westchester Reform Temple, Scarsdale, NY • Wichita Ministerial League, Wichita, KS • Wingspan Ministry, St. Paul Reformation Lutheran Church, St. Paul, MN

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OUR COMMON GROUND

AIDS National Interfaith Network Mission Statement

As people of faith, we commit ourselves and call to faith communities, as well as the nation, to recognize and respond through creative and effective means to affirm:

The inherent worth, dignity, and rights of all persons before God without prejudicial regard to race, gender, age, health and physical status, sexual orientation, religious commitment, relationship status, legal or community standing.

As people of faith, we strive to assure that all those whose lives are affected by AIDS/HIV infection will receive compassionate non-judgmental respect, care, support, and assistance. AIDS is not divine punishment. God's merciful, loving and empowering presence is with all affected by disease, including AIDS/HIV infection.

As people of faith, we commit ourselves to confront both the symptoms and causes of the AIDS/HIV-related social epidemic. The symptoms include our society's inadequate acknowledgement of the ravages of AIDS in ethnic and racial communities, the heterosexual community, women and children, the gay/lesbian community, and in AIDS/HIV-related threats to civil liberties and violations of confidentiality. The causes of this AIDS/HIV-related social epidemic include racism, sexism, homophobia, heterosexism, classism, and cultural and national imperialism.

As people of faith, we believe that God's reassuring and embracing presence reaches out to all those who are alienated and oppressed. We serve God and humanity by striving to emulate divine compassion, to seek justice, and to provide service. This is our prophetic task.

*For the purposes of this document, AIDS refers to a broad constellation of social and health-related issues, including those related to AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) and HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) Infection.

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