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The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States of America
The White House
Office of the President
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Clinton:

It was wonderful for Alan to see you at the Democratic Leadership Council dinner last week. We are writing to invite you to participate in City Year's national convention, *cyzygy 2000*, which will be held from May 30th to June 3rd, 2000 at San Jose State University in California.

We would also like to thank you for attending our national convention for the past 2 years – your presence, leadership and vision in these conventions has been the highlight of our 10 years of work. In particular, we deeply appreciated that you mentioned in your speech at *cyzygy '99* that “when [you] saw City Year [you] knew that [you] had found the concrete, living, breathing embodiment of what [you] thought politics ought to be about” – your words were a tremendous honor that we strive daily to live up to.

The theme of *cyzygy 2000* is “Social Entrepreneurship for the 21st Century.” AmeriCorps has been a breeding ground for social entrepreneurs and change agents in our country, and your presence – as the visionary leader who founded AmeriCorps – would be a great honor to all of us. We would very much like to have you lead a roundtable discussion at *cyzygy 2000* with a combination of social entrepreneurs who run AmeriCorps programs, such as Wendy Kopp from Teach For America and Geoffrey Canada from the Rheedlen Foundation, and leading private sector entrepreneurs from Silicon Valley, such as Kim Polese from Marimba. We envision this roundtable to focus on how to tap the entrepreneurial spirit to address our nation's social problems.

Mr. President, we know that this is an extraordinary request to once again have you attend our convention. But we feel that there is no other person better suited to present this message to our organization, to Silicon Valley and to our country than you. We would be deeply honored if you could join us at any time during these four days.

Thank you very much for considering our request. We will follow up with your office.

With deep appreciation and gratitude,

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President Clinton—

*Thank you for your tremendous leadership
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come to our convention!*

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