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PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS FOR THE WINTER OLYMPICS/PARALYMPICS RECEPTION
APRIL 29, 1998

Acknowledge: Members of Congress I'm sorry Mrs. Gore can't be here today, but I'm so glad that I asked her to head the U.S. Delegation to the 1998 Winter Olympics. She kept us informed with daily reports from Nagano, stories of incredible Japanese hospitality, pictures of our delegation and team members and even a few wild monkeys. I'd like to thank the delegation -- "Team Tipper" as they called themselves, for representing us well. I'd also like to thank Mack McLarty, for working so hard as co-chair with the Vice President of our WH task force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Welcome to all of our Olympic athletes, it's an honor to have you at the White House. In 1908, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to the Olympic Athletes in London and presented them with a caged tiger. Today, we are going to have to make do with Buddy and Socks.

In 1998, America's best carried the torch in Japan. All of you should feel proud of your efforts and proud of the way you represented the United States. Your excellence, your determination, and your diversity, are powerful testimonials to America's rich heritage. The Olympic spirit is the spirit of personal responsibility and best effort, the spirit of community and spirit of unity. Whether you are multiple Gold Medalists or first-time Olympians, each of you is a guardian of that Olympic spirit.

The goodwill of the games transcends athletics as team members from all nations come together to compete peacefully on the field of play. With strong leadership from the United States Olympic Committee, you have lived up to the Olympic ideal of promoting respect between the peoples of the world. We are grateful to you for your efforts and for what you symbolized for America.

America's stars shown brightly in Nagano. Both men and women's ski jumping team? took home the gold; Picabo Street gave new meaning to the name "comeback kid" as she won the gold medal in the women's super-G; U.S. women's ice hockey team made history with the first ever Gold medal; paralympic legend Sarah Will won 3 golds and a silver on the alpine slopes; Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan's performances captivated us all and brought home gold and silver. Led by Joe Howard's six goals, the U.S. sled hockey team defeated Great Britain for its first Paralympic victory.

And we have much to anticipate in the Olympic future. Americans watched the closing ceremonies with pride as the Olympic flag was lowered and passed from the Mayor of Nagano to Mayor Corridi of Salt Lake City. We are joined today by Mayor Corridi, along with Sen. Xxx, the Chairman of the Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Robert Garff. I believe I can speak on behalf of all of us and express how much we look forward to hosting the next winter Olympic Games in 2002 in Salt Lake.

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Acknowledge: Rep. Jim Ryun [RY-uhn] (Former Olympian); President of the United States Olympic Committee Bill Hybl [Hibbel] and Exec. Dir. Dick Schultz.

I know Mrs. Gore wishes she could be here today. She did a tremendous job as the head the U.S. Delegation to the 1998 Winter Olympics, keeping those of us back home informed with daily reports from Nagano. I'd also like to thank Mack McLarty, for working so hard as co-chair with the Vice President of our WH task force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

It is an honor to welcome America's best and bravest athletes to the White House. In 1908, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to the Olympic Athletes and thanked them for their efforts with a caged tiger. Today, we're going to have to do with Buddy and Socks.

The men and women here --America's best --carried the hopes and dreams of all our people to Nagano. This winter, in the mountains, ice rinks, and race courses of Japan, you made all of us very proud. You showed the world what is best about America -- our determination and perseverance, our diversity and our teamwork, and our unyielding pursuit of excellence.

America's athletes do more than carry our flag, they carry our spirit. Each and every one of you has proved that with hard work and faith, anything is possible. As you soared past the competition and into Olympic history, every American back home saw that they too could make their dreams come true. I am moved by the courage and strength of our Paralympians. The team brought home 34 medals in the largest winter paralympics ever, offering hope and inspiration to people all over the world.

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Across the country, we watched with pride. As the Olympic flag was lowered and passed from the Mayor of Nagano to Mayor Corradini of Salt Lake City, the closing ceremonies in Nagano became the opening event of the 2002 Salt Lake City Games. We are joined today by Mayor Deedee Corradini, Chairman of the Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Robert Garff, elected officials, and members of the Utah Olympic Committee. I ask them to stand for a round of applause . . .

Before we move on to Salt Lake City, let me say that the celebration of your 1998 Olympic glory does not stop here. You have become a part of "America's team" and for the rest of your lives you will, if you choose, have a profound impact on those around you, especially our young people. While you may think that being in the Olympics was your magic moment, I believe that the future holds even more promise. You are young, you are strong and everyone of you has a great amount of power over the minds of our youth. With that power comes a responsibility, a responsibility to teach the lessons of setting your sights high, working hard and being persistent. I want you to make the most of your achievement, as some of you have earlier

today in the Champions in Life Program. You can be the examples our children need by reaching out, telling your stories, working in our communities and approaching your future endeavors with the same drive that got you here today. The power of your success can change many lives for the better.

In this century, through all its highs and lows, we have seen a renaissance of the Olympic Games. In the 1936 Berlin Olympics, clouded by the darkest days of humanity, Jesse Owens sprinted past barriers of prejudice and hatred. Here's what he said: "Only an Olympian can fully realize the grip the Games have on the youth of the world, and this is especially true throughout the United States. Problems can be solved -- must be solved. If we lose the Olympics and all they represent, our civilization will have taken a sad step backward."

Now, in this sunlit time of peace and prosperity, the Olympic spirit -- the spirit of international goodwill and friendship -- must propel us further into an even brighter era of respect for all people and opportunity for all children. I ask each of you, in your own lives and in your own way, to carry that torch into the 21st Century.

I'm honored to introduce the athlete you have chosen to represent you today...an athlete whose grace and excellence on the ice brings tears to the eyes of her spectators and joy to our hearts. Ladies and Gentleman, Michelle Kwan.

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by

Ruth Owens
& Jesse's
wife)

JESSE LETTERHEAD

Dear Friend,

I'd like you to have the enclosed stamp -- one of the first ones issued to commemorate the upcoming Olympics -- as a keepsake of the Games. It's a nice souvenir and will help introduce the 1980 Olympic Stamp Program to you.

The Olympic Games bring all nations -- all people -- together. You really have to be there to see it. Those young boys and girls, the world's finest athletes, marching side by side on Opening Day. And then, when the races have been run, the games played and the medals awarded, they come together again for the closing ceremonies -- it's the true spirit of international friendship!

I have so many wonderful memories of the Olympics ... and they all started long ago with a thirteen-year-old's dream of being the world's fastest human. It was the American people who helped make that dream come true. They sent me to Berlin in 1936, and I was mighty grateful, proud and happy to be a member of the United States Olympic team.

Americans like you gave me the opportunity to be trained by good coaches and go to the Games. I couldn't have done what I did without the golden chance that was given to me.

There are future Olympic champions all over this great country today. The dollars, quarters and dimes you donate, and the Olympic stamps and coins you buy will help train and send them to Moscow in 1980. I've always felt that the American people are the greatest in the world -- always ready to rally to a worthy cause like this.

Wherever I go in this country -- from Maine to California, from Washington to Florida -- I talk to people about the Olympics, and they always ask what I remember about the Games. And I often use the phrase "you have to be there" when other words fail me. Well, everyone can't "be there", but the 1980 Olympic stamps make it possible for you to know some of the Olympic excitement I remember so well.

The U.S. Olympic team is your team. That's why I am happy to recommend the 1980 Olympic Stamp Program to you. It will give you some precious Olympic memories of your own ... and it will help give some other youngster with a dream a chance to represent America at the Games. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jesse Owens



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PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
TALKING POINTS FOR THE OLYMPICS/PAROLYMPICS
APRIL 29, 1998

Acknowledge: Thank you to Mack McLarty for all your work. Tipper kept me informed while she led the delegation in Nagano. I enjoyed her reading her reports in USA Today, reports of Japanese monkeys, the pictures of the delegation, the warmth of the Japanese fans,

In 1998, the torch was carried to Japan by America's best. Welcome to all of our olympic athletes, it's an honor to have you at the White House. In 1908, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to the Olympic Athletes and presented them with a caged tiger. Unfortunately, I don't have anything as grand, although watch out for Buddy and Socks. *should be around here*
Smile

The highlights of Nagano were many: Picabo Street's comeback as she took the gold medal in the women's super-G, history in the making as the U.S. women's ice hockey team won the first ever Gold medal, the emotional performances by Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan as they brought home gold and silver. *Ski jumping*

The Olympic spirit is the spirit of personal responsibility and best effort, the spirit of community and spirit of unity. Thank you for showing us and the rest of the world the American spirit. You have brightened the stars on
Welcome to the Paralympic

Welcome to the USOlympic Committee

I'm honored to introduce the athlete you have chosen to represent you today. An athlete

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With a little bit of lutz, our three Olympic figure-skating women might have nothing to fear but each other

BYLINE: Alex Tresniowski, Lorenzo Benet in Nagano and Luchina Fisher in Chicago

BODY:

This was Michelle Kwan's moment of truth, ~~the chance of a~~ lifetime, the evening when her dreams would come true--and she would get to meet Leonardo DiCaprio. There was Kwan, 17, at the Los Angeles premiere of Titanic last Dec. 14, and there across the room was DiCaprio, the heartthrob whose picture she kept in a school workbook. Wearing her little black dress, camera in hand, she managed to get herself introduced. She even had her picture taken with him. Then, heartbreak. Kwan realized DiCaprio had no idea who she was--Not a clue. "Wasn't I silly?" she asked her friend, figure skater Brian Boitano. "Don't worry, Michelle," said Boitano. "He'll recognize you in another two months."

He and maybe a billion other people, if Kwan can win the prize she longs for even more (yes, it's true) than a date with DiCaprio: a figure-skating gold medal at the Nagano Olympics. In peak form and the favorite going in, Kwan will have some stiff competition, mainly from her own U.S. teammates--Tara Lipinski, 15, and Nicole Bobek, 20, two bundles of talent who round out one of America's most impressive women's figure-skating teams ever. "They're all great competitors," says Boitano, the 1988 men's gold medalist. "I think we have a good chance to go one, two, three."

Teammates though they may be, the three couldn't be more different in style and temperament. Michelle is the driven careerist given to grueling practices and intense workouts; Tara is the pint-size prodigy still enamored of Beanie Babies; and Nicole is the enigma whose 1994 brush with the law failed to squelch the rebel within.

Still, whatever their differences, America's would-be golden girls share one essential attribute: toughness. Each tasted early success, and each has been confronted--especially in the past year--by crises that have tested her will. Yet all three rose to the occasion precisely when it mattered most: at the 1998 U.S. championships in Philadelphia in January, where Kwan,

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Lipinski and Bobek finished first, second and third and earned their tickets to Nagano.

Of the three, Kwan was certainly the most spectacular. In fact the purity and expressiveness of her performance moved several of the judges to tears. She had arrived in Philadelphia with a stress fracture in her left foot, a training injury that prevented her from practicing at full tilt. Prior to skating she sat with her coach, Frank Carroll, comparing hands to see whose were shaking the most. But the trembling stopped when she hit the ice, and Kwan sparkled in her short and long programs, earning a perfect 6.0 in 15 of the judges' 18 scores--the most sixes ever by an American skater. "In my mind, I was flying so high," Kwan said after her victory. "I was really enjoying myself, really having fun."

That was not always the case with Kwan, whose Hong Kong-raised parents, Dan, 49, a retired systems analyst, and Estella, 47, a former nurse, sold their Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif., home to pay for training for Michelle and her sister Karen, now 19 and a sophomore at Boston University. Kwan, who started skating at age 5, proved a quick study and made the 1994 U.S. Olympic squad as an alternate, though she didn't get to skate.

She went on to win the 1996 world and national championships, but the very next year her reign as skating's queen was at an end. Kwan blossomed from 4'11" and 88 lbs. in 1994 to a more womanly 5'2" and 105 lbs. The additional weight made it "harder to jump than when I was 13 and had cat's feet," she said last year. Her confidence shaken, Kwan fell twice at the 1997 nationals and was replaced as champion by Tara Lipinski.

For Kwan, it was time to retrench. "When something goes wrong, you search your soul," says Boitano. "Michelle found out why she was skating--because she loves it." Kwan also came to terms with the changes wrought by Mother Nature. "Last year she was insecure about herself," says Carroll. "Now she's in charge of her body." Yet Kwan hasn't let herself get too excited about being back on top. "Michelle isn't one to think she's 6.0 perfect," says sister Karen, noting that their parents were there to "put her in her spot. They weren't walking around saying, 'Wow, you're No. 1.' "

Indeed, Kwan's parents, who live with Michelle not far from her Lake Arrowhead training complex near Los Angeles, are "very protective," says her friend Kyoko Ina, the pairs skater. They escort her to and from the rink, where she usually practices three hours a day. And "if she wants to go on a date," says Ina, "her mom and dad have to go with her." Since the nationals, of course, Kwan has hardly had time to date: She has been undergoing physical therapy on her foot and making up missed schoolwork. "I'm taking French, English, history and computers," says Kwan, who since 1992 has studied an average of four hours a day with a private tutor.

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To relax, she watches movies and home videos (anything with Leonardo or Brad Pitt will do), hangs out with friends at the local Belgian Waffle Works and, once in a while, lets her hair down--or puts it up. For a recent practice, Kwan, who normally trains in a plain black unitard and no cosmetics, showed up in full makeup and diamond earrings with her hair pulled back in an elegant bun. "She looked like a princess," says Frank Carroll, who asked if she had a TV appearance. "No," said Kwan. "I just felt like fooling around and playing."

When it comes to frolicking, though, it's Tara Lipinski who takes the gold. Just shy of 4'11" and all of 82 lbs., Lipinski likes to go to malls and goof on waitresses. "We have a blast," says her best friend, Erin Elbe, 16, who cracks up her pal by walking into walls. Lipinski also collects the Beanie Babies fans hurl on the ice after she skates ("I have too many to count," she says). "She still likes to swing on swings," says her choreographer, Sandra Bezic. "It's great that she isn't trying to be older than she is."

But while Lipinski may be childish at times, a fierce competitive fire burns within. "She's a force beyond your average 15-year-old," says Bezic. As defending champion, Lipinski missed a triple flip during her short program at this year's nationals, but rather than fall apart, she rose to the challenge and rallied to finish a strong second to Kwan. She has also had to deal with a critical backlash against her meteoric rise, with some in the skating world sniping at her less than elegant style. (One waspish writer called her a "robotic shrimp.") Suddenly, Lipinski was no longer skating's darling, but friends are confident she won't let it bother her. "Tara likes being the underdog," says fellow Olympian Todd Eldredge, the reigning U.S. men's champion. "She wants to show everyone that she's in top form."

Lipinski has long since proved she's a fighter. An only child who was 6 years old when she started skating at a rink near her Sewell, N.J., home, she would get up at 3 a.m. to practice before school. In 1995, Lipinski and her mother, Pat, 46, a former Wall Street secretary, moved to Bloomfield, Mich., so Tara could train with her current coach, Richard Callaghan; her father, Jack, 46, an oil refinery executive, stayed behind in the Houston home where the family had relocated in 1991. Hundreds of dollars in phone bills later, those sacrifices paid off when Lipinski, a phenomenal jumper, finished third at the '96 nationals.

One year later she beat a shaky Kwan to take the championship, then captured the '97 world title in Switzerland--becoming, at 14, the youngest skater ever to do so. Still, Lipinski's artistry needed to catch up to her technical prowess. "She's working on it," says Bezic. "It's something that comes not just from training but from life experience."

Squeezed in around three-hour practices at the Detroit Skating

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Club--and four hours of daily tutoring--are the trappings of a normal teenage existence: shopping, gabbing on the phone, going to movies (Titanic and Scream 2 were favorites). "She's always bugging her mom and dad, 'Can I drive?'" says Elbe. "She's waiting until after the Olympics so she can get her permit." Off the ice, says Lipinski, "I'm just like other 15-year-olds. Everybody needs to decompress."

Which explains her frequent trips to Disney World, where she and Elbe spent nine fun-filled days last summer. Yet even Mickey and Goofy couldn't keep her mind off skating. Before one visit, Lipinski insisted on fitting in a half-hour practice session. "But when we got to the rink, it took, like, 2 hours," says Elbe. "Disney World is her favorite place, and she didn't care about it until she was satisfied with her skating. She just loves it so much."

That kind of dedication hasn't been Nicole Bobek's hallmark--at least until now. Hugely talented but known for work habits that were, shall we say, erratic, Bobek blocked out years of unfulfilled promise and, as she had done only occasionally in the past, skated up to her potential at the '98 nationals, drawing standing ovations. Afterward, Bobek rang up her friend and fellow skater Rudy Galindo. "I made the team," she told him. "People were discounting me, and I made it."

It was a bittersweet victory for Bobek, whose beloved coach Carlo Fassi died last year of a heart attack. In fact, she observed after the nationals, "My whole life has been an emotional roller coaster." Born in Chicago, she never knew her father, who left shortly after Nicole was born, and was raised by her Czech-born mother, Jana, 50, and Jana's friend Joyce Barron, 53. Bobek's growth as a skater was hindered by discipline problems: She ran away from home at 16 and hired eight coaches in as many years.

In 1994 Bobek was arrested for illegally entering the Michigan home of a fellow skater and sentenced to two years' probation (the charge was later dropped on a technicality). Yet only a few months after the break-in, Bobek skated well enough to win the 1995 nationals. ("Nicole is so talented she could show up not ready to compete and her talent would carry her through," explains Tonia Kwiatkowski, who finished fourth behind Bobek at this year's nationals.) In 1996, Bobek reunited with Fassi, her favorite coach and a father figure, and appeared ready to turn a corner. But midway through last year's world championships, Fassi died. "She had to grow up fast because of the loss," says Fassi's widow, Christa, who now coaches Bobek. "She has matured very much this past year."

Her friend John Baldwin Jr., a skater who trains with Bobek in Lake Arrowhead--the same mountain complex Kwan uses--agrees she is "more dedicated now" but adds that "Nicole is a free spirit who likes to go out and have fun." He says Bobek didn't start training seriously for the nationals until late November and

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notes that she sometimes splurges on burgers and Mexican food, in contrast to Kwan's religiously adhered-to low-fat diet. On many weekends Bobek and her construction-worker boyfriend, Brian Hadden, 20, take her white Taurus, plastered with Grateful Dead stickers, down the mountain to shop on L.A.'s Melrose Avenue. "She's a wild driver, and she's got the music blasting," says Baldwin Jr. "You can't even hear the wheels squeak when they take those tight mountain turns."

But there are signs that Bobek is taking these Olympics seriously, perhaps realizing they may be her last chance as well as her first. "We talked a few times about going to Las Vegas with her boyfriend," says Baldwin Jr. But the talk remained just that: Bobek never broke training. "She knows what her responsibilities are," he says.

Bobek, like Kwan, also chose to skip the Feb. 6 opening ceremonies in Nagano so she could continue to work out at Lake Arrowhead. Only Lipinski, the youngest and smallest U.S. Olympian, made it to the storm-wracked town in the Japanese alps in time for the torch lighting--and in time to meet Akebono, the champion sumo wrestler, who outweighed her by a mere 437 pounds. "He's, uh, big," she says. "But that's what the Olympics is all about. Meeting different people." As different as, say, her two teammates and rivals for Olympic glory? "We all get along," says Lipinski of Bobek and Kwan. "But," she adds, "on the ice is much different than off the ice."

--ALEX TRESNIEWSKI

--LORENZO BENET in Nagano and LUCHINA FISHER in Chicago

GRAPHIC: COLOR PHOTO: JAY GORODETZER/REUTERS/ARCHIVE PHOTOS, COVER, YOU GO, GIRLS!, The kid (Tara), the pro (Michelle) and the wild one (Nicole) take on the world in Nagano Michelle Kwan; COLOR PHOTO: TODD WARSHAW/ALLSPORT, COVER, [See caption above] Nicole Bobek; COLOR PHOTO: DAVE BLACK, COVER, [See caption above] Tara Lipinski; COLOR PHOTO: ERIC DRAPER/AP, COVER STORY, The U.S. figure-skating squad in Nagano stars prodigies Michelle Kwan (with coach Frank Carroll), Tara Lipinski and Nicole Bobek--three talents with a common dream and very different personalities. [Michelle Kwan--T of C]; COLOR PHOTO: PHOTOGRAPH BY NEAL PRESTON, "When I watch her, I feel transported," says Brian Boitano of Michelle Kwan (at Lake Arrowhead). [Michelle Kwan]; COLOR PHOTO: DAVE BLACK (4), "We each have our dreams," says Lipinski (on tour with rival Kwan last year). [Michelle Kwan, Tara Lipinski and others]; COLOR PHOTO: DAVE BLACK (4), The ultradisciplined Kwan (with her parents) confesses to a weakness for waffles. [Estella Kwan, Michelle Kwan and Dan Kwan]; COLOR PHOTO: DOUG PENSINGER/ALLSPORT, Kwan stumbled at the 1997 nationals, but a year later her scores were nearly perfect. [Michelle Kwan]; COLOR PHOTO: DAVE BLACK (4), "The attention is fine," says Lipinski (signing for fans). "You expect it when you're the world champ." [Tara Lipinski with fans]; COLOR PHOTO: JIM MALUCCI/OUTLINE, Lipinski (in 1997) "is not a windup toy," says a friend. "She's a young woman." [Tara Lipinski]; COLOR PHOTO: DAVE BLACK (4), Tara gets makeup tips from Mom, but on the ice, "I know what I want to do," she says. [Pat Lipinski and Tara Lipinski]; COLOR PHOTO: HEINZ KLUETMEIER, "Nicole has grown up," says a friend of Bobek (in 1997). "She's her own woman." [Nicole Bobek]; COLOR PHOTO: AP, Her late coach Carlo Fassi is "always with me," Bobek said after the nationals. [Carlo Fassi];

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COLOR PHOTO: STEVE KAGAN, Her mother, Jana (with Bobek in 1995), helps run her career, but, says a friend, "Nicole isn't on a leash." [Nicole Bobek with mother Jana]; COLOR PHOTO: DOUG MILLS/AP, "All we have in common," says Lipinski (in Nagano) of teammates Bobek and Kwan, "is that we're going for the gold medal." [Tara Lipinski]

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781 Message Greeting Sir Winston Churchill on the Occasion
of His 90th Birthday. *November 30, 1964*

I KNOW I speak for all Americans, your fellow citizens, in extending warmest congratulations and affectionate best wishes on your 90th birthday. As you celebrate this milestone in a full and eventful life we remember with gratitude, and future generations will continue to do so, your magnificent eloquence, your unfailing courage and your

great service to the cause of freedom and human dignity.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

NOTE: The text of Sir Winston's reply follows:

I am most grateful to you, Mr. President, for your heartwarming message. As an honorary citizen of the United States, I send my compatriots my thanks and my true good wishes.

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL

782 Remarks at a Luncheon for the U.S. Olympic
Medal Winners. *December 1, 1964*

I HOPE you are understanding people. I appreciate your patience and ask for your forgiveness. I would like to introduce to you a few of our distinguished guests today.

There is a saying among some people to never spend your time on a colonel if there is a general in the vicinity. And my beloved friend and distinguished Vice President-elect, Senator Hubert Humphrey, I observe has a rule, "Never sit by a man, if there is a lady in the room." Stand up, Hubert. I want to introduce you.

And that may account for the unusually high percentage of female voters that were recorded in November.

I would also like to present Mr. Kenneth L. Wilson, the president of the United States Olympic Committee which did such a superb job of administering affairs for our team and three other high officials of our Government who made their own sparkling place in the record book of sports. If you will, hold your applause until I introduce the other three distinguished guests today.

My good friend and very great public servant, Mr. Justice Byron R. White, presently a member of the Supreme Court, the

fabled "Whizzer" White, everybody's All-American when he played football at the University of Colorado.

My Secretary of the Interior, the imaginative and man of vision, Mr. Stewart L. Udall, who was a star guard on the 1946 championship basketball team of the University of Arizona and is presently a star guard in the Cabinet of the United States.

Finally, my old friend, Stan Musial, "Stan, the Man," who I am privileged to have serving with me as my Special Consultant for Physical Fitness, and, so far as I know, anticipates no senatorial aspirations.

This is an especially happy occasion for Mrs. Johnson and me. Like most Americans, the Johnson family followed the 1964 Olympics with avid interest and a very warm sense of satisfaction.

In all the long and exciting tradition of these international games, I doubt if there has ever been a finer representation of the essential Olympic spirit. Some 6500 young men and women from some 94 nations presented a memorable demonstration of winning without strutting and losing without whimpering. Certainly the 1964 competi-

tion notably advanced the Olympic ideal of promoting respect between the peoples of the world.

The Japanese are artists in hospitality and on this occasion they outdid even their reputation. They left nothing to chance—nothing at all, not even overlooking the 36 extra dogcatchers along the route of the marathon to protect those celebrated shins of yours.

And the athletic records came tumbling down, as all good records should. Of course, I will say nothing about the brilliant run of medals that were won by the American team. But perhaps you will forgive me if I note that the "Star Spangled Banner" was played so often that people in Tokyo went around humming it like the number one hit tune of the day.

Mrs. Johnson and I are very happy to welcome you medal winners of the American team and you United States officials of the Olympic Committee. We wish there had been room here in this White House to invite all of those who represented America so superbly. But we are delighted today to greet you as the representatives of all of the athletes and the officials.

The American people are very proud of their 1964 Olympic team. They are proud of what you have accomplished and, what is more important, they are proud of what you are.

You young athletes chose a difficult and a demanding endeavor. You represent excellence finely honed to the keenest possibilities.

You exemplify the ideal of our Nation for all phases of our national life. In every occupation, in every endeavor, public and private, let us go at the task fullheartedly

and let us demand results that meet the most severe and the most exciting standards.

Our poets have told us, America is promises. America is fulfillment, fulfillment in the richest and the most zestful sense of that word.

Years ago the founder of the modern Olympics declared: "The important thing in the Olympic games is taking part. The essential thing in the Olympic games is fighting well."

You have symbolized for all of us Americans what taking part—a genuine, dedicated, all-out taking part—can produce, and we salute you with a pride that carries the fullest measure of American gratitude for all the people who are privileged to be citizens of the same country that you claim.

It is such a privilege to have you here in the first house of the land. It is equally satisfying to have in this house some of the first of the land.

Thank you very much.

NOTE: The President spoke at 2:45 p.m. at a luncheon in the East Room at the White House. Attending were about 100 of the U.S. Olympic medal winners.

A White House release of November 30, announcing the luncheon, stated that immediately after the close of the games, held in Tokyo October 10-24, the President cabled the following message to Kenneth L. Wilson, president of the U.S. Olympic Committee:

"The Nation is proud of its Olympic representatives and their accomplishments. Please give my warm congratulations to the committee and the whole team. Would like to greet all of you personally at the White House. Since that is impractical please invite on my behalf as representatives of the whole group the four officers of the committee and the winners of medals to lunch with me."

Because many of the athletes had previous commitments in other countries, the release further stated, the luncheon was delayed until December 1.

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HEADLINE: U.S. delegation leaves Nagano filled with spirit of the Olympics

BYLINE: Tipper Gore

BODY:

The Olympic Winter Games in Nagano will be remembered for the beauty of their setting and the graciousness and hospitality of the Japanese people. Nagano is the southern-most city to host a Winter Games, a paradise of snow-capped mountains, gentle streams and gentle people. Just north of Nagano, the Jigokudani Wild Monkey Park has attracted those seeking a quiet place. The Japanese Macaque are found here -- monkeys living farther north than any other known primates. They live and play in the hot springs, feeding on bamboo grass, winter buds and bark throughout the winter. At night, they sleep in the surrounding trees, hugging each other in communal family groups.

I visited the park with Jodi Cobb, a member of the U.S. Presidential Delegation and a National Geographic photographer. We photographed these beautiful animals, peacefully existing in the quiet winter landscape.

Just miles away, a far different scene has unfolded over the past few weeks as people from more than 80 nations came to compete and share in the excitement of the Olympic Games. The highlights are memorable:

-- The spectacular and frightening spill by Germany's Hermann Maier during the men's downhill, followed by his incredible gold medal wins in the super-G and giant slalom.

-- The comeback by the USA's Picabo Street as she took the gold medal in the women's super-G after a knee injury suffered just last summer.

-- The joy of the U.S. women's ice hockey team as it made history by winning the first-ever Olympic gold.

-- The astounding performance and record medal wins of the Japanese athletes, inspired by the warmth and support of their fans.

-- The emotional performances by the USA's Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan as they brought home gold and silver in women's figure skating.

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-- The upsets in men's ice hockey, as the Czech Republic won the gold medal and Russia the silver, and the U.S. and Canadian teams left Nagano without medals.

These moments help us remember why the Olympic Games are so special. There is goodwill and a spirit felt during the Games that transcends athletics. People from all nations come together in peace to compete on the field of play. Sadly, not all of the U.S. athletes who participated represented the best of our nation. The behavior of a few members of the U.S. men's ice hockey team has been a disappointment to us. They detract from the efforts and standards set by the other members of the team and all of the U.S. athletes who came here to compete and to experience the magic of the Olympic Games.

But our nation is extremely proud of the athletes who competed here. The highlights and the lowlights of these Games will soon become part of Olympic history. Gary Allison, who traveled with our delegation, is capturing these stories in a series of chronicles known as The Olympic Century: The Official 1st Century History of the Modern Olympics. This 25-volume history reflects 18 years of research and 102 years of Olympic moments. Thank you Nagano for keeping the spirit alive.

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HEADLINE: U.S. women changing the face of sports

BYLINE: Tipper Gore

BODY:

The USA is celebrating the first Olympic gold medal in women's ice hockey! I had the chance Thursday in the athletes village to meet the young women who made Olympic history. We talked about what a moment in time this was and how their lives would forever be changed. Their excitement and enthusiasm was so contagious that delegation member Herbie Hancock staged an impromptu jazz concert in the cafeteria.

I couldn't help but think, as I watched this exuberant group of young women, of how much the role of women in athletics has evolved. Their victory, on the heels of the gold-medal performances of the women's softball, soccer and gymnastics teams in Atlanta during the 1996 Summer Games, signals that finally women's team sports have arrived at the Olympics.

But it wasn't always this way. For many years, women stood on the sideline as the men competed.

In 1896, at the first modern Olympic Games in Athens, what was then an all-male festival had a bit of a surprise. A woman named Stamata Revides decided to compete. In March 1896, she did a trial run from Marathon to Athens in 4 hours, 30 minutes that was officially documented. But the Athens Olympic Organizing Committee barred her from running the Olympic marathon. It was almost a century later that the woman's marathon took its place in the history of the modern Olympic Games, when American marathon runner Joan Benoit won the race in 2 hours, 24 minutes, 52 seconds.

Like the marathon, it has been a long road through history for female Olympians. Those who blazed the trail among our American female athletes have taken their place in the history books: Babe Didrickson, Wilma Rudolph, Tenley Albright, Peggy Fleming, Mary Lou Retton, Kerri Strug, Bonnie Blair, Dot Richardson, Mia Hamm.

It took many years to overcome the attitude that sports wasn't "ladylike." Even then, it took federal legislation -- Title IX -- to overcome biases in the U.S. educational system. Before Title IX took effect in 1972, an estimated 300,000 young women participated in interscholastic athletics nationwide. Today, approximately 2.25 million women participate -- and that number is growing.

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Studies have shown a long list of benefits derived from girls participating in sports and physical fitness, including reducing the risk of obesity, enhancing mental health and boosting self-esteem.

If participation is one milestone, representation is another equally important step toward equity. As more women begin to serve in administrative positions in professional and amateur sports, the opportunities and interest will continue to expand.

That's beginning to happen. Three new professional sports leagues led by women made their debuts in 1997 -- the ABL, WNBA and Women's Pro Fastpitch. Last September, the first female senior International Olympic Committee (IOC) member in the USA, Anita DeFrantz, became the first to be elected IOC vice president in its 102-year history.

And the good news for female athletes is the growing recognition among American fans that women, indeed, can play. Audience interest leads to corporate sponsorship which is, for many sports and athletes, a necessity for survival.

As we celebrate the accomplishments of our female athletes in Nagano, and as we watch with awe the speed and power and grace of Cammi Granato and Picabo Street and Michelle Kwan, let's remember those who helped pave the way. And let's ensure that all our future athletes, male and female, have the chance to play and maybe, one day, to fulfill their Olympic dream.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT,
THE VICE PRESIDENT, MRS. CLINTON AND MRS. GORE,
AND BILLY PAYNE, PRESIDENT AND CEO FOR
THE ATLANTA COMMITTEE FOR THE OLYMPIC GAMES
AT CEREMONY FOR THE DEPARTURE OF THE OLYMPIC TORCH

The South Lawn

7:39 A.M. EDT

MRS. CLINTON: Good morning, and welcome to the White House. The President, the Vice President, Mrs. Gore and I are very happy all of you could join us for this very special departure ceremony. I would like to welcome Billy and Martha Payne and other distinguished guests from the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games.

Also, Georgia Governor Zell Miller and his wife, Shirley, are here, and we want to say a special word of welcome and thanks to Donna and Mack McLarty, who have been working closely with Vice President Gore to coordinate the administration's activities in support of the 1996 Olympics and Paralympics.

We're also pleased we could be joined by members of Congress, the Cabinet, the White House Task Force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games, and also the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, especially the Cochair, Tom McMillan, all of whom are with us this morning. We are also honored to have here today the ambassadors from nations that have hosted past summer olympic games.

I'd like to extend a special welcome and congratulations to the men and women who carried the torch here in the District, especially to the two runners who carried the torch to the White House last night: Dr. I. King Jordan, the President of Gallaudet University; and Sister Mary Poppett (phonetic). I'd also like to acknowledge Martin Begosh (phonetic.), who is here as well, as one of the torch bearers. There were community hero torchbearers that the President first introduced in his State of the Union Address many months ago: Lucius Wright (phonetic) of Jackson, Mississippi and Jennifer Rogers (phonetic) of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

And, finally, let us welcome some of the wonderful exemplars of excellence -- the former

and current olympians from the D.C. area. The U.S. Men's Soccer Team and this year's -- (applause) -- who are doing well, and this year's brilliant group of presidential scholars. (Applause.)

Some of you may remember that my daughter and I had the privilege of witnessing the lighting of this same flame almost three months ago in Olympia, Greece. It was the traditional ceremony set amid the ancient ruins of Olympia where the original games were held more than 2500 years ago. On that beautiful, sunny day in a place surrounded by olive, orange and lemon groves, it was very easy for us to feel the tradition, history and symbolism of the Olympic flame. This flame carries much more than light and heat, it carries the spirit of our family of nations, the legacy of friendships formed over centuries of olympic contests, and the hopes of the young men and women who will convene in Atlanta this summer. Through them, the Olympic spirit will only grow faster and higher and stronger, enabling all of us to renew bonds of international goodwill and understanding. That is the heart of the Olympic ideal that we honor here at the White House today.

Now, let me introduce to you a great friend of mine and a great athlete in her own right, Tipper Gore. (Applause.)

MRS. GORE: Thank you very much, Mrs. Clinton. I must admit that sharing in a part of this Olympic spirit has been one of the most -- greatest highlights of my life. I've really, really loved it and been moved at every point.

I had the privilege of greeting the torch when it arrived on American soil in Los Angeles, and I watched with pride as Rafer Johnson, a gold medalist in the decathlon in 1960 gallantly carried that torch through the streets of L.A., beginning its journey to the site of the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta. And this community of athletes has been summoned to compete next month because they have reached the peak of athletic excellence, and their abilities command our respect and they have earned our admiration, and they have ignited a very fierce pride in all of our hearts.

It's now my distinct honor to introduce to you the President and the CEO of the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games, the dynamic and energetic Mr. Billy Payne. Thank you. (Applause.)

MR. PAYNE: Mr. President, Mrs. Clinton, Mr. Vice President, Mrs. Gore, the country's best Governor, Zell Miller of Georgia, ladies and gentlemen. Along with the great honor that America has been given to organize these Centennial Games, so, too, do we feel an obligation -- an obligation to protect this flame, to respect its purity, to carry it high and to pass it on from torchbearer to torchbearer in a seemingly endless chain of humanity, moving ever closer to Atlanta, now turning south to Georgia and the opening ceremonies of the Centennial Games, and the thousands of men and women who are our Olympic torchbearers represent the very best of who we are as a nation. Whether famous or not, they are all community heroes as they demonstrate every single day of their life that unselfish service to others is the lifeblood of this

great country. And as we learn by the example each has set, we share with them the belief that in America, all is possible.

And so just as these torchbearers represent the best of our country, this Olympic flame represents the truest and the highest ideals of the Olympic movement, that in spite of our differences, we can assemble to celebrate that which we share in common. And in doing so, maybe -- just maybe -- find our lives so enriched that our differences are no longer our obsessions.

To you, Mr. President, Mr. Vice President, we extend our heartfelt thanks for your wonderful support of these Centennial Olympic Games.

And now, it is my distinct honor to introduce the gentleman who has chaired the administration's effort in support of the Games, the Vice President of the United States of America, the Honorable Al Gore. (Applause.)

THE VICE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much, Billy, and thanks to all of the citizens of Atlanta and Georgia, and all Americans who have made it possible for our nation to host these Games. No matter where it travels in the world, the Olympic Torch is a powerful symbol of unity, hard work, and the burning desire for excellence.

This year, its final destination is Atlanta, and it has been making a remarkable journey to the Centennial Olympic Games. It was carried on a cable car through the hills of San Francisco, and in a jazz parade across the streets of New Orleans. It climbed the Rocky Mountains, drifted down the Mississippi River and circled Ellis Island in the shadow of the Statue of Liberty. It has traveled in railroad cars and with the Pony Express. It visited Memphis in May for the Sunset Symphony.

By the time it reaches Atlanta, it will have passed within two hours of the residences of 90 percent of our nation's population.

As Chair of President Clinton's White House Task Force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games, I'm intensely proud of all this torch symbolizes, as I am of all the hard work that this task force has done to ensure that these games are the best games ever. I want to thank my partner, Mack McLarty, and all those who have worked under the President's direction to help our nation ensure that these games are a spectacular success for America and for the world.

The Olympic Torch has been shooting out rays of hope and shining a light on everything that makes our country great. Today, the torch continues its journey now up this South Lawn. A community hero from our Nation's Capital, Lang Brown, along with 12 of the young people whose lives he has touched, will light the torch. (Applause.)

(The torch is lit.) (Applause.)

THE PRESIDENT: Good morning. I want to begin by thanking Lang Brown, not only for what he has done this morning in bringing the torch up here, but for what he does every day. He gives his best to help troubled teenagers, to teach them how to live responsible lives and to know that they are not alone as they do their best.

Today, we honor that spirit -- the spirit of the Olympics, as we send forth the Olympic Torch to light the way to Atlanta. Thank you, Lang Brown. (Applause.)

This torch has seen more of America than most of us Americans will see in a lifetime, and much of America has seen the torch, cheered it, and the people bearing it. The torch, burning bright and strong, stands for the joy of athletic competition and more -- for the importance of international cooperation and more, for the pride we feel when our strong young Americans win the gold and more. For this Olympic flame also calls upon each of us to be our very best as individuals, to do our best to build strong families and strong communities and a strong country. It tells us that victory comes to the united, not to the divided. Every Olympian has reached within and worked hard to be the fastest, the strongest, the most graceful.

We all have hurdles to leap -- to finish high school or college, to be a good parent, a good worker, a good neighbor. Every one of us must summon that spirit of responsibility and best effort in our own lives. Every Olympian stands at the starting block or at the beginning of a great game alone. But they do not win alone. They draw strength from a lifetime of support from family and friends, coaches and role models. And every one of us must summon that spirit of community to meet our challenges.

Every Olympian is proof that for all of our differences, we are one America. We cheer our athletes not because they are men or women, not because of the color of their skin, we cheer them because they are Americans. They represent us all and they fill us with pride. And every one of us must summon that spirit of unity, to embrace those things that bind us together, and never to succumb to those things that would keep us apart.

My fellow Americans, in the last several months, we have had to deal with some different kinds of flames. But it is this flame that represents the best of the United States of America. (Applause.)

The Olympic spirit is the spirit of personal responsibility and best effort, the spirit of community, the spirit of unity. The people who carried this torch all across America show us exactly how that spirit can lift all our lives every day. This torch has been carried by a 74-year-old woman in Nevada who has cared for more than 100 abandoned children, by a New York businessman who has put thousands of disadvantaged young people through college, by a North Carolina teacher who organized students in 48 states against violence. This torch has been carried by America's best. They are everyday Olympians.

Now, this torch will be carried by someone who is America's best, who is both an everyday Olympian and a member of our Olympic team. Eight years ago, Carla McGhee was in a car accident. She almost died. Her body was broken, but her spirit was whole. She fought her way back to a promising basketball career that most people thought had been lost forever. She went on to return to the University of Tennessee and to help her team win a national basketball championship. The Vice President is particularly proud of that achievement. (Laughter.) And now we hope that she will help to work the same magic for our Olympic women's team; a miraculous road back for a wonderful young woman. (Applause.)

May the Olympic flame always carry the ideals that burn in athletes and citizens like Carla McGhee, that burn in people like our torchbearers, the community heroes, the veterans of war and the keepers of peace, and all of those who have run with it, walked with it, wheeled with it, and set eyes on it. And may these ideals cast light on every shadow and brighten every dream on America's road to tomorrow.

May God bless America. And to Carla and all our Olympians, Godspeed. (Applause.)

END

7:58 A.M.



November 5, 1997

Stephen Bull
Director, Government Relations

Mr. Steve Ronnel
Office of Counselor Mack McLarty
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Dear Steve:

Attached is a letter of invitation for the President and Mrs. Clinton to attend, and for the President to be the principal speaker at the Vth Olympic Dinner, scheduled for Wednesday, April 29th, at the Washington Hilton Hotel. This is the same biennial event as the two previous ones they attended, the first following the Olympic Winter Games in 1994, and the second just prior to the Summer Olympic Games in 1996.

Although the Olympic Dinner is a fund raising event, it actually is just one portion of what has become a multi-faceted national celebration of America's participation in the Olympic Games. For the 1998 Olympic Dinner the focus will be the approximately 275 members of the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Winter teams who will be brought to Washington for the occasion. They will arrive on the evening of Tuesday, April 28th and attend a welcoming event, tentatively a dinner reception hosted by Capitals and Wizards owner Abe Pollin. If a hockey or basketball playoff game is being played that evening the Olympians will attend as guests either of the appropriate league, or of Mr. Pollin.

The next morning the Olympians and Paralympians will attend a breakfast briefing that will prepare them for their participation in the USOC's "Champions In Life" program. This is an activity in which Mrs. Clinton participated on the occasion of the 1994 Dinner, and in which the President, Mrs. Clinton, and Vice President Gore participated in 1996.

Following the Champions In Life event the athletes will attend a luncheon, tentatively to be hosted by the Speaker of the House. After the luncheon we will return the Olympians and Paralympians to the Washington Hilton where we will make them available to the press, and then have them rehearse their role in the Dinner. After the rehearsal they will have a brief period of non-scheduled time for rest or personal activities prior to the pre-Dinner reception, which will begin at 6:30 P.M.

Dating back to the Carter Administration it has become a tradition for the President and First Lady to host a White House reception for the U.S. Olympic Team following its participation in the Olympic Games. In 1996 we brought the Summer Olympic and Paralympic teams to Washington directly from Atlanta the day after Closing Ceremonies. In 1994 the President and Mrs. Clinton held their reception for the Olympic Winter and Paralympic Teams when the athletes were in town for the 1994 Olympic Dinner. With next April's Olympic Dinner we will be in the same situation as in 1994, with both the Olympic and Paralympic teams already in Washington. Consequently, if the President and Mrs. Clinton wish to continue the tradition of honoring the American athletes at a White House reception the most convenient and financially viable day for the USOC would be April 29th.

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In view of the various ancillary events the best time would be early afternoon of the 29th, although we could schedule Champions In Life so as to permit the reception in the morning. An alternative that you and I have discussed is to structure Champions In Life in such a way that we could do a portion at the White House, after which you could have the reception with the traditional presentation to the President by the Olympians.

I recommend that in addition to speaking at the Dinner that the President and Mrs. Clinton host the White House reception as well as participate in Champions In life. The White House reception provides a great visual of the President and Mrs. Clinton standing with the athletes wearing their colorful Olympic award suit jacket, and provides them a public identification with America's voluntary Olympic effort. The Champions In Life event is a natural for the Clinton Administration because the athletes' message of education and drug avoidance is identical to that of two of the President's legacy programs. I think that with imagination we could fashion a creative Champions In Life program on the White House grounds that would serve the goals of both the White House and the USOC.

Please let me know if you desire any further information regarding either the Olympic Dinner or any of the ancillary events. I am available to meet with you and any of your colleagues should you so desire, and look forward to discussing this matter with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Stephen Bull

PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS FOR THE WINTER
OLYMPICS/PARALYMPICS RECEPTION
APRIL 29, 1998

Acknowledge: Members of Congress I'm sorry Mrs. Gore can't be here today, but I'm so glad that I asked her to head the U.S. Delegation to the 1998 Winter Olympics. She kept us informed with daily reports from Nagano, stories of incredible Japanese hospitality, pictures of our delegation and team members and even a few wild monkeys. I'd like to thank the delegation -- "Team Tipper" as they called themselves, for representing us well. I'd also like to thank Mack McLarty, for working so hard as co-chair with the Vice President of our WH task force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Welcome to all of our Olympic athletes, it's an honor to have you at the White House. In 1908, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to the Olympic Athletes and presented them with a caged tiger. Today, we are going to have to make do with Buddy and Socks.

In 1998, America's best carried the torch in Japan. All of you should feel proud of your efforts and proud of the way you represented the United States. Your excellence, your determination, and your diversity, are powerful testimonials to America's rich heritage. The Olympic spirit is the spirit of personal responsibility and best effort, the spirit of community and spirit of unity. Whether you are a multiple Gold Medalist or a first-time Olympian, each of you is a guardian of that Olympic spirit.

The goodwill of the games transcends athletics as team members from all nations come together to compete peacefully on the field of play. With strong leadership from the United States Olympic Committee, you have lived up to the Olympic ideal of promoting respect between the peoples of the world. We are grateful to you for your efforts and for what you symbolized for America.

America's stars shined brightly in Nagano. US skiers took three of the four gold medals in freestyle skiing starting off with Jonny Moseley's gold in the Men's moguls, followed by Nikki Stone and Eric Bergoust [] in the Women's and Men's aerials. [Jonny flew past the competition when he successfully completed his signature "air" move, a 360 Mute Grab Jump.] After a near career ending knee injury in December of 1996, Picabo [Peek-a-boo] Street gave new meaning to the name "comeback kid" as she won the gold medal in the women's super-G; The United States women's ice hockey team made history with the first ever Gold medal; paralympic legend Sarah Will won 3 golds and a silver on the alpine slopes; Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan's performances captivated us all and brought home gold and silver. Led by Joe Howard's six goals, the U.S. sled hockey team defeated Great Britain for its first Paralympic victory.

Across the country, we watched with pride. The closing ceremonies were unforgettable, as the Olympic flag was lowered and passed from the Mayor of Nagano to Mayor Corridi of Salt Lake City. We are joined today by Mayor Corridi, along with Sen. Xxx, the Chairman of the

Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Robert Garff. I believe I can speak on behalf of all of us and express how much we look forward to hosting the next winter Olympic Games in 2002.

But before we move on to Salt Lake, let me say that the celebration of your 1998 Olympic glory does not stop here. You have become a part of "America's team" and for the rest of your lives you will, if you choose, have a profound impact on those around you, especially our young people. I'm proud of our Paralympic athletes -- a record number participating in the winter Olympics this year -- and the message of hope you send to so many children with disabilities all over the world.

Many athletes here today are already making the most of their achievements by actively reaching out to our nation's youth. I understand this week some of are working with the Champions in Life Program. Thank you for spending time with troubled young kids, becoming role models, encouraging them to stay in school and remain drug free. The power of your example can change the lives of many for the better.

In the words of Jesse Owens, "Only an Olympian can fully realize the grip the Games have on the youth of the world, and this is especially true throughout the United States. Problems can be solved -- must be solved. If we lose the Olympics and all they represent, our civilization will have taken a sad step backward." Thank you moving us forward, for inspiring us, young and old, to strive to do our best and make the most of our potential.

I'm honored to introduce the athlete you have chosen to represent you today. An athlete who's grace and excellence on the ice brings tears to the eyes of her spectators and joy to our hearts. Ladies and Gentleman, Michelle Kwan.

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November 14, 1997

Stephen Bull
Director, Government Relations

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Dear Steve:

The Olympic Dinner is described as a fundraising event which benefits the United States Olympic Committee, a 501 (c) (3) organization chartered by Congress in the Amateur Sports Act of 1978 (PL 95-606). Tickets are priced at \$1,000 apiece, and are marketed to Washington representatives of U.S. corporations and business associations who believe it beneficial to be associated with the U.S. Olympic Committee. However, despite the event being in the format of a fundraiser, an equally important purpose is to enable America's political leadership to pay tribute to our U.S. Olympic athletes, and the millions of Americans who support the American Olympic Movement.

The next Olympic Dinner will be held on Wednesday, April 29, 1998 at the Washington Hilton Hotel. Hosted by Honorary USOC President Bill Clinton and Honorary USOC Vice President Al Gore, the event is expected to be attended by approximately 1800 people. Among those attending will be the members of the 1998 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Winter Teams, more than 250 members of the House, Senate, and Executive Branch, Congressional staff, and representatives of the Washington business community. Unlike the tickets which the business representatives will be expected to purchase, the tickets to the athletes and the government officials will be complimentary.

I am writing to you now to request clearance from your White House Counsel to permit members of the Executive Branch to accept the complimentary invitation to the Dinner. Those we intend to invite from the Executive Branch are Cabinet Secretaries and Deputy/Under Secretaries, selected Assistant Secretaries, Independent Agency heads, Senior White House Staff, and other Administration officials involved with Olympic activity.

There is precedent for issuing such a clearance, this having been done for the 1991 and 1992 Olympic Dinners during the Bush Administration, and in 1994 and 1996 during the Administration of President Clinton. For your information, and perhaps as a guide for the preparation of a letter for the 1998 Olympic Dinner, I am enclosing a copy of the clearance letter issued by Associate Counsel Kathleen Whalen.

In requesting this letter of authorization, I would like to confirm that seating will be on an arbitrary basis, with Executive Branch officials distributed evenly throughout the hall. No business representative will be given any expectation of special access to any Executive Branch official, and the

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program will be totally non-partisan. Further, I should point out that President Clinton, like his predecessors, is the Honorary President of the United States Olympic Committee and the USOC has been authorized to list his name on the invitation in this fashion.

In past years the White House Counsel provided the U.S. Olympic Committee a copy of its opinion permitting Executive Branch participation, and authorized me to include it with the complimentary invitations extended to Executive Branch personnel. If this practice could be continued I would very much appreciate it and believe that it will ultimately preclude numerous inquiries to the office of White House Counsel by the Administration representatives we invite.

We appreciate your referring this matter to the appropriate person, and thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Steve", with a horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

Stephen Bull

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

DECEMBER 2, 1997

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TO: Stephanie Streett
Director of Scheduling

FROM: Mack McLarty 

REQUEST: POTUS to host a WH reception and "team photo" for U.S. Olympic and Paralympic athletes and give keynote speech at the Vth Olympic Dinner at a Washington, DC hotel.

PURPOSE: Recognize the US Olympic and Paralympic Winter Teams shortly after the 1998 Winter Olympics (Nagano, Japan).

BACKGROUND: On April 29, 1998, the US Olympic Committee (USOC) will host a number of events in Washington to honor the US Olympic and Paralympic Winter Team.

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: POTUS did WH reception following 1994 Winter Olympics (Olympic and Paralympic athletes) and 1996 Summer Olympics (Olympic athletes only). Also, POTUS and First Lady attended Olympic dinners in 1994 and 1996.

DATE AND TIME: April 29, 1998 (both events). USOC requests early afternoon WH reception. Dinner TBD.

BRIEFING TIME: TBD

DURATION: TBD

LOCATION: Reception - WH
Dinner - Washington Hilton Hotel, Washington, DC.

PARTICIPANTS: Reception - approx. 275 Olympic and Paralympic athletes.
Dinner - approx. 1,500 people including athletes, coaches and USOC officials.

MEDIA COVERAGE: Yes.

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SCHEDULE
1998 OLYMPIC DINNER
AND
ANCILLARY EVENTS

Tuesday, April 28th

Afternoon Members of the 1998 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Winter Teams, USOC officers, USOC Executive Committee, and USOC Senior staff arrive:

Washington Hilton Hotel
1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009
TEL: (202) 483-3000
FAX: (202) 232-0438

USOC Office: Washington Hilton Hotel Suite # *(to be determined)*

Check-in and registration in main lobby of Washington Hilton Hotel.
Each registrant will receive a packet containing:

Master Schedule
Room and hotel assignment
Olympic Dinner tickets containing table assignments

ALTERNATE HOUSING INSTRUCTIONS:

Some members of the USOC party will subsequently proceed to alternate hotels, as follows:

Courtyard by Marriott
1900 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20009
TEL: (202) 332-9300
FAX: (202) 328-7039

Capital Hilton Hotel
16th and K Streets, N.W.
Washington, D.C.
TEL: (202) 393-1000
FAX: (202) 639-5784

The Marriott Hotel is located directly across the street, and is in walking distance, from the Washington Hilton Hotel.

The Capital Hilton Hotel is approximately one mile from the Washington Hilton. Shuttle transportation will be available to carry Capital Hilton Hotel residents between the two hotels.

There will be a USOC Reception and Information Desk in the lobby of the Marriott Hotel, and a hospitality room in the Capital Hilton Hotel.

WASHINGTON HILTON USOC HOSPITALITY ROOM

All members of the USOC family are invited to avail themselves of the USOC Hospitality Room where light refreshments will be available.

Location: (To be determined)

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday, April 28 th :	8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.
Wednesday, April 29 th :	7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Thursday, April 30 th :	6:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

5:50 P.M. Athletes, USOC Officers, Executive Committee, and USOC Senior Staff assemble at T Street Entrance (Terrace Level) of Washington Hilton Hotel and board buses for **USOC President's Welcoming Buffet Reception**, hosted by the Boeing Company, to be held at the Capitol Club at MCI Center.

Dress Informal:

Athletes - Award Suits

All others - Tie and sport jacket/Olympic Blazer

6:00 P.M. Buses depart for MCI Center.

6:20 P.M. Arrive MCI Center, Administrative Entrance - 7th and G streets, N.W.
Proceed to Capital Club on second floor of arena.

Note: Guests arriving independently should also enter at the Administrative Entrance where they will be admitted by the attendant at the USOC reception desk.

6:30 P.M. **USOC President's Welcoming Reception begins**

Participants (approximately 350):

Members of the 1998 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Winter Teams

USOC Officers and Executive Committee

USOC Senior Staff

Winter NGB presidents and executive directors

Principal financial contributors to the 1998 Olympic Dinner

Boeing Company executives

Buffet dinner served.

7:30 P.M. Speaking from a podium located at the center rear of the Capitol Club, Dick Schultz welcomes guests, gives a brief description of details of the evening, and introduces USOC President Bill Hybl.

- 7:35 P.M. Bill Hybl extends welcoming remarks, followed by an acknowledgment and expression of appreciation to 1998 Olympic Dinner General Chairman Bob Michel, and 1998 Olympic Dinner Corporate Chairman Noel Gould for their efforts in making this series of Washington events a success.
- 7:38 P.M. Bill Hybl expresses particular thanks to the Boeing Company for hosting the event, and invites the senior Boeing representative to join him at the podium.
- 7:40 P.M. Bill Hybl presents USOC leather "varsity" jacket to Boeing representative. Invites Boeing representative to respond.
- 7:41 P.M. Boeing representative responds.
- 7:43 P.M. Boeing representative concludes.
Dick Schultz returns to podium and directs guests to proceed to their seats in the arena for the **Billy Joel Concert**. USOC representatives, located at a table directly outside of the Capitol Club, will distribute concert tickets to each guest as he/she passes by.
- 8:00 P.M. Billy Joel concert begins.
- 9:00 P.M. Intermission:
USOC guests may return to Capitol Club for refreshments.
- 9:15 P.M. Billy Joel concert resumes.
- 10:00 P.M. Billy Joel concert concludes.
USOC guests return to Administrative Entrance, board buses, and depart for:
Planet Hollywood
1101 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C.
TEL: (202) 783-7827
- 10:15 P.M. Arrive Planet Hollywood for **Nightcap Party In Honor of the 1998 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Winter Teams**, hosted by the owners and management of the restaurant.
- Transportation Note: Shuttles will run regularly between Planet Hollywood and the Washington Hilton Hotel to accommodate guests who wish to retire early.

- 12:00 P.M. Nightcap party concludes.
Board buses in front of Planet Hollywood and return to T Street Entrance of Washington Hilton Hotel.
- 12:20 P.M. Arrive Washington Hilton Hotel.
members of USOC party proceed to rooms in one of the two USOC hotels.

OVERNIGHT

Wednesday, April 29th

- 7:30 A.M. **Briefing breakfast** for Olympic and Paralympic athletes participating in Champions In Life event.
- Breakfast location:
(Parlor - to be determined)
Concourse Level
Washington Hilton Hotel
- Dress:
Athletes: Award suits
All others - Informal business attire (suit or USOC blazer with tie and jacket)
- 8:10 A.M. **Briefing program**
Susan Weeks
Cindy Stinger
Corporate sponsor of the D.C. Champions In Life program
Others, to be determined
- 8:35 A.M. **Champions In Life** participants, who will have been formed into twelve separate teams, board vans staged at T Street entrance (Terrace Level) of Washington Hilton Hotel.
- Note: USOC Officers, Executive Committee, and Staff wishing to accompany a team to a school are welcome to do so.
However, in order to ensure the availability of adequate transportation it is requested that prior arrangements be made with Susan Weeks.
- 8:45 A.M. Vans depart hotel en route twelve schools in the D.C. area at which an equal number of Champions In Life teams will appears before assemblies of students.

9:15 A.M. Champions In Life teams arrive at assigned schools.
Teams greeted by student Honor Escorts wearing Champions In Life pullovers and proceed to assembly area for program.

Note: At selected schools the Member of Congress representing the District in which the school is located will participate in the Champions In Life program.

9:30 A.M. Champions In Life programs begin.

Principal elements:

- Distribution to all student attendees of Champions In Life tee shirts
- Presentation of Bud Greenspan film prepared for Olympic Dinner
- Introduction of athletes by honor escorts
- Introduction of Member of Congress (where applicable) by honor escorts
- Presentation by athletes emphasizing:
 - Importance of education
 - Importance of drug avoidance
 - Personal stories of overcoming adversity to achieve Olympic success

10:15 A.M. Champions In Life assembly programs conclude.
Athlete teams and accompanying USOC guests depart schools for return to Washington Hilton Hotel.

10:45 A.M. Champions In Life teams arrive Washington Hilton Hotel.

Personal Time:

Note: Refreshments will be available on the Terrace level of the hotel, adjacent to the Olympic Dinner "Will Call" tables.

11:30 A.M. Athletes, Officers, Executive Committee and USOC Staff board buses at T Street entrance to hotel and depart for the Kennedy Center to attend a luncheon hosted by Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, and sponsored by the O'Gara Company.

Dress:

Athletes - Award Suits
All Others - Business attire (Suit and tie)

11:50 A.M. Arrive Kennedy Center and proceed by elevator to Roof Terrace Restaurant

12:00 P.M. **Speaker's Luncheon begins.**

Participants: (approximately 350):

Members of the 1998 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Winter Teams
USOC Officers and Executive Committee
USOC Senior Staff
Winter NGB presidents and executive directors
Principal financial contributors to the 1998 Olympic Dinner
O'Gara Company executives
Guests proceed through buffet lines and all but head table guests take seats
at unassigned tables throughout the room.

Head Table Guests:

Speaker Newt Gingrich
Mr. and Mrs. William Hybl
Mr. and Mrs. Dick Schultz
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Michel
Mr. Noel Gould and guest
Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Gara

Luncheon program elements

Informal handshakes with guest at beginning of lunch
Welcoming remarks by Dick Schultz, concluding with special thanks to
luncheon host Thomas O'Gara, followed by introduction of Bill Hybl
Welcoming remarks by Bill Hybl, concluding with introduction of Speaker
Gingrich.
Remarks by Speaker Gingrich, concluding with presentation of gift to him by
Dick Schultz
Presentation of leather "varsity" jacket to luncheon host Thomas O'Gara.

1:15 P.M. **Speaker's Luncheon concludes.**
Guests descend elevators and proceed to buses.

1:30 P.M. **Buses depart enroute White House.**

1:45 P.M. **Buses arrive Southeast Gate of White House.**
Guests proceed through East Arrival Gate and are subsequently directed to
South Lawn.

Members of the 1998 U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Winter teams assemble in
front of the Diplomatic entrance.

Note: All participants in the White House event must have a picture ID available.

Dress:

Athletes - Award Suit
All others - Business attire

2:15 P.M. White House Reception Hosted by President and Mrs. Clinton begins.

Program elements

Athletes assembled in front of South Portico of White House

Remarks by President

Response by Olympic Gold Medalist Picaboo Street and presentation of team jackets to President and Mrs. Clinton

**3:15 P.M. White House reception concludes.
USOC party boards buses for return to Hotel.**

3:30 P.M. Buses depart for Washington Hilton Hotel

**3:45 P.M. Buses arrive Washington Hilton Hotel.
Athletes proceed to International Ballroom for Dinner rehearsal.**

4:00 P.M. Dinner Rehearsal conducted by Tom Groppel and Marilyn Funderburk.

4:30 P.M. Dinner rehearsal concludes.

Personal Time

1998 Olympic Dinner

1700 Participants as follows:

- Vice President and Mrs. Gore
- Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX)
- 250 members of the 1998 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Teams
- 200 Members of the House and Senate
- 150 Officials from the White House Staff, Executive Branch Departments, Independent
 - Agencies, and Armed Forces
- 200 Congressional Staff
- USOC Officers, Executive Committee, USOC Senior Staff, and USOC Working Staff
- Representatives from several 2012 Exploratory Committees
- Representatives of the Washington Business Community

Dress:

Athletes - Award Suits
All Others - Business attire.

6:30 P.M. Pre-Olympic Dinner Reception begins on the Terrace Level of the Washington Hilton Hotel.

Participants: All 1998 Olympic Dinner attendees

7:10 P.M. Athletes will be directed to the President's Walk on Concourse level to prepare for their formal entry and announcement into the International Ballroom.

7:15 P.M. Guests at reception requested to proceed down the stairs to their seats in the International Ballroom.

7:20 P.M. Mr. and Mrs. Hybl and Mr. and Mrs. Schultz proceed to holding room on Concourse level to await the arrival of Vice President and Mrs. Gore.

7:35 P.M. Guests seated in International Ballroom.

Master of Ceremonies Mike Moran introduced by off-stage announcement. Makes brief welcoming remarks, concluding with introduction of Dinner General Chairman Bob Michel.

7:43 P.M. Bob Michel makes brief introductory remarks.

7:45 P.M. Vice President and Mrs. Gore arrive Washington Hilton Hotel. Proceed to Holding Room where they are met by Mr. and Mrs. Hybl and Mr. and Mrs. Schultz.

USOC photographer present

7:45 P.M. U.S. Army Herald Trumpets - Olympic Fanfare (John Williams version)

7:46 P.M. Mike Moran introduces athletes by teams, whose members enter, alternately, from stage right and left, toward the front of the podium.

7:50 P.M. Mr. and Mrs. Schultz are escorted from the holding room to their seats at the head table in the International Ballroom.

7:55 P.M. Herald Trumpets - Ruffles and Flourishes
Off-stage announcement of Vice President and Mrs. Gore and Mr. and Mrs. Hybl.

Vice Presidential party enters Ballroom and moves to center of stage as Marine Band play "Hail Columbia."

- 7:57 P.M. Entry of Armed Forces Color Guard
National Anthem - Marine Band
- 8:00 P.M. Mike Moran introduces USOC President Bill Hybl
- 8:01 P.M. Bill Hybl delivers brief welcoming remarks, concluding with an introduction of Vice President and Mrs. Gore.
- 8:03 P.M. Vice President Gore delivers brief remarks, concluding with an introduction of Mrs. Gore.
- 8:08 P.M. Mrs. Gore delivers brief remarks.
- 8:10 P.M. Mrs. Gore concludes.
Bill Hybl presents Vice President and Mrs. Gore with Team jackets.
- 8:12 P.M. Escorted by Bill Hybl, Vice President and Mrs. Gore depart.
- 8:15 P.M. Mike Moran introduces athlete (*to be determined*) for invocation.
- 8:16 P.M. Invocation
- 8:17 P.M. Mike Moran invites guests to enjoy dinner.
Athletes depart stage and proceed to tables.
- 8:20 P.M. Dinner served.
- Note: U.S. Air Force Strolling Strings will play during dinner.
- 9:00 P.M. Mike Moran returns to podium and introduces Dick Schultz.
- 9:02 P.M. Dick Schultz introduces Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX).
- 9:05 P.M. Senator Hutchison proceeds for her place at the head table and moves to the podium on stage where she delivers remarks (5 Minutes).
- 9:10 P.M. Dick Schultz returns to podium, thanks Senator Hutchison, and presents her with a USOC "Varsity" Jacket.
He asks her to remain for a presentation to Dinner Chairman Bob Michel.
- 9:12 P.M. Presentation to Mr. Michel.
Mr. Michel and Senator Hutchison depart stage and return to places at head table.
- 9:13 P.M. Dick Schultz returns to podium and introduces Olympic Speaker, Hockey Gold Medalist and team captain Cammi Granato.

- 9:15 P.M. Remarks - Cammi Granato.
- 9:20 P.M. Remarks conclude.
Dick Schultz returns to podium and requests Cammi Granato to remain for a special presentation.
- 9:21 P.M. Dick Schultz expresses appreciation to USA Today for serving as the Dinner underwriter. He then invites publisher Tom Curley to join him and Cammi on stage.
- 9:23 P.M. Dick Schultz and Cammi Granato present Mr. Curley with an Olympic torch.
- 9:24 P.M. Mr. Curley responds.
- 9:27 P.M. Mike Moran introduces Bud Greenspan film.
- 9:28 P.M. Bud Greenspan film begins.
- 9:38 P.M. Bud Greenspan film concludes.
- 9:39 P.M. Mike Moran makes special acknowledgments, concluding with the suggestion that the guests at each table select one of their party to take the floral arrangement.
- He then invites all Dinner guests to a dessert buffet to be served in the Crystal Ballroom, on the Concourse level of the hotel.
- 9:42 P.M. Dinner concludes.
Guests proceed to Crystal Ballroom
- 9:55 P.M. Dessert Buffet begins.
- 12:00 P.M. Dessert Buffet concludes.
1998 Olympic Dinner concludes.

Thursday, April 30, 1998

- 6:30 A.M. Buffet Breakfast
to
9:00 A.M. (Location to be determined)

Olympians, Paralympians, and USOC party depart Washington, D.C.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
AND THE FIRST LADY

TO THE U.S. OLYMPIC TEAM

Olympic Village
Atlanta, Georgia

12:14 P.M. EDT

MRS. CLINTON: Thank you, Dr. Walker, and this is such a great honor and privilege for us to be here with all of you. I want to thank Dr. Walker for his tireless efforts as President of the U.S. Olympic Committee these past four years, and for his lifetime of commitment to American and international sports.

As a coach and educator and administrator, Dr. Walker has touched the lives of countless athletes and young people, and he has nurtured not just national and Olympic champions, but also great citizens of this country. And I'm very privileged to be here to thank you on behalf of all of us, Dr. Walker. (Applause.)

I am also delighted to see so many former Olympians behind us who I'm thrilled to see in person, having watched and followed for years. And I'm also delighted that two other former Olympians are here with us to now serve as the co-chairs of the Council on Physical Fitness. And I would like to introduce them to you -- they really need no introduction, but I'd like to ask them to stand: Tom McMillan and Florence Griffith Joyner. (Applause.)

The last time -- well, not the last time, but the most memorable time that Tom and Flo-Jo and I were together was at Lillehammer. And we were freezing to death. It was so cold -- a total contrast to the weather today. (Laughter.) And Tom and I were not prepared -- Tom actually wore -- I'm going to tell a story on Tom -- cowboy boots to the opening ceremony -- (laughter) -- where it was 20 degrees below zero. But Flo-Jo, who does everything to perfection, sat there

without a hat, that great smile, signing autographs, never looking like she was freezing to death at all. I considered that Olympic class to the ultimate. (Applause.)

I also want to thank Wayne Clough, and the great staff and administration here of Georgia Tech for sharing this campus. (Applause.)

I know all of you who are competing have been working for this day for years and years. And many of the rest of us here in this country have been waiting for this day to arrive.

Chelsea and I had the great privilege of seeing the lighting of the Olympic flame amid the olive and orange and lemon groves in the ancient stadium at Olympia. It was an extraordinary experience to be there in that stadium where the very first games were held. And now, here we are in the United States, in Atlanta, waiting for these games to begin.

That flame, which was lit there and which will gloriously be passed on tonight, represents that spirit that all of you embody -- a spirit that has already inspired millions of Americans who turned out on main streets and in town squares and on front porches to cheer the Olympic torch on its way. I felt that same spirit when I had the privilege of being in Lillehammer and cheering for some of the athletes here on this stage, and knowing that they were representing the best of what our country has to offer.

But I don't think there's ever been an Olympics that more embodies not only the Olympian spirit, but the American spirit than this one. Each of you is a guardian of that Olympic spirit -- whether you are multiple Gold Medalists or first-time Olympians. And to those who have competed before and have won medals, we thank you for the inspiration you give to all of us, but particularly to young people, and to all of you, the athletes who will compete in these next two weeks. I know that many of you have already overcome extraordinary challenges to be here. We are already very proud of each and every one of you. And I want you all to know that -- that as these games begin, and as you compete in your events, you are, in our eyes, already winners. And we are grateful to you. (Applause.)

And the President and Chelsea and I will be sitting either live at some of the events, or more often, in front of our TV sets, or doing whatever we can to get word of what is happening to you, and sending you all our best wishes and prayers.

It's now my honor to introduce the person that you have chosen to carry the American flag. As most of you know so well, he is already one of the greatest wrestlers not only in American history, but in international history -- a four-time Olympian, comes to Atlanta already having won two Gold Medals and one Silver Medal, and he's already won the hearts of you, his teammates, and the rest of our country.

So join me again in welcoming here to the podium a great champion and a great American,

Bruce Baumgartner. (Applause.)

MR. BAUMGARTNER: Thank you very much. It's a pleasure and a privilege to be here this afternoon. On behalf of Teresa and myself, I would like to thank the athletes for selecting us to represent them at the opening ceremonies and at this event. It's a great pleasure. I know that we've all trained hard, we've all been working hard to represent our country to the best of our ability and to bring home the Gold.

At this time it is my distinct privilege to introduce the President of the United States, President Clinton. Thank you. (Applause.)

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. Thank you. Thank you so much for that wonderful welcome. Thank you, President Clough for making all of our athletes feel so welcome at Georgia Tech. Thank you, Dr. Walker, for all the work you do. Thank you, Teresa, for sharing your birthday with us. (Laughter.) And thank you, Bruce, for that introduction, for your leadership and your example.

I was looking at Bruce standing up here -- (laughter) -- obliterating the microphone and the podium. (Laughter.) You know what I thought? I thought, if I'd had a body like that I'd have done a better job in politics. (Laughter and applause.) I should have gone in for wrestling earlier before I had to do it for a living. (Laughter and applause.)

You know, the first United States Olympics Team in 1896 also did our nation proud, even though they literally missed the boat for the first games. They got on the wrong ship in Hackensack, New Jersey. But the Lord was looking over them. Thank goodness they set off two weeks early, so they got there on time anyway. (Laughter.)

Well, thanks to the wonderful people of Atlanta, we got around that problem this time because the Olympics came to us. And so I'd like to begin just by asking all of us to express our heartfelt appreciation to the people of Atlanta, the people of Georgia, people who have worked so hard to bring these games here and are doing such a magnificent job to make the world feel welcome in the United States. (Applause.)

There have been a lot of nice touches to this day for Hillary and Chelsea and me already. For one thing, they arranged for me to meet all the members of our team who are from my home state or who went to school. And I appreciate that. And I have to say, since I've got all these senior Olympians here, I brought another person from my home state who won the Silver Medal in the high hurdles in 1948 -- Clyde Scott. I'd like to ask him to stand up and be recognized -- my great friend. (Applause.)

And also tell you, for you sports buffs, he's the only person who ever made First Team All-American Football for two different universities. And it's not because he didn't make enough grades to stay in the first one. (Laughter.)

I want to thank all of you for making it possible for the former Olympians who are standing behind me to be here. I owe one of them an apology. Mark Spitz came by to see me earlier, and when I saw him, I could only imagine -- I kept remembering that picture of him with all those medals hanging around his shoulders -- around his neck. And he informed me that he was supposed to carry the torch in, and he carried it as far as he could, but the presidential motorcade prevented his final entry. So I think we should acknowledge Mark Spitz as bringing the Olympic torch in here. (Applause.)

There's so many of the people standing behind me that I watched in the Olympics, that I admired. An awful lot of them, believe it or not, have come to the White House since I've been President because of something good and worthwhile they're doing today -- always to help other people. I think maybe the most considerate act I've ever seen one of them perform was my friend, Edwin Moses, actually allowed me to run with him at one time, which I thought was uncalculated charity under the circumstances. (Laughter.)

But I say that to make this point: When these Olympians come to the White House, many years after their days of Olympic glory, to advance the cause of young athletes or some other cause they're interested in, it's important that you know that we still celebrate what they stood for and what they did, and what they stand for and what they do. I say that because by making this team, you become part of "America's team." And for the rest of your lives, other people will look to you in a different way -- in a good way. And you will have a chance not just in your field of competition, but you'll have a chance from now on to have an impact on people, especially young people, that can be profound and lasting and wonderful.

For some of these -- you here, I'm sure you can hardly bare to think of it, these are your first Olympics. Some of you are veterans. Some of you will still be competing in the Olympics in the next century. But whatever your future holds athletically, I just want to thank you for your hard work and your dedication, for your courage and your heart, and for your example. Because you say loudly to every young person in this country, if you have hard work and discipline, if you have a tough will and enough courage and heart, you can live out your dreams. And if every kid in this country really believed that he or she could live out their dreams, we'd be a lot better off. And we will be because of you. And I thank you for that. (Applause.)

Most of you probably know this, but when the Olympics came back to life in modern times, it was William Milligan Sloan who took it upon himself to organize the first American team. And then when two of his athletes couldn't afford the tickets to Athens, he gave up the tickets that he had. So he never even saw his dream come to life.

Dr. Sloan's first recruit was a man named Robert Garrett, who had never competed in sports before. So he literally started with only a dream, and he had to figure out what he was going to do. He saw a picture of an ancient discus thrower, and he asked a blacksmith to make one for him. Unfortunately, it weighed 13 pounds. (Laughter.) But he didn't know any better.

He only knew he could not throw it further than 49 feet.

He heard the Europeans were throwing it 87 feet, but he showed up for the competition anyway. And when he showed up, the folks took away his 13-pound discus and gave him one that weighed two and a half pounds. (Laughter.) He tossed it out of the stadium and won the medal. (Laughter and applause.) So sometimes our handicaps in life can become great advantages.

William Milligan Sloan and Robert Garrett started America's road to Atlanta 100 years ago. The grandson of Dr. Sloan, William Milligan Sloan, is here today. I'd like to ask him to stand and be recognized. Where are you, Mr. Sloan? Thank you so much. (Applause.)

I'd like to close with a few words to you about your country and what it means for America to be hosting these games in 1996. As I think perhaps you know, before I came here, I went over to your amazing dining quarters and shook hands with as many of the athletes from other countries as I could. And I sat and visited with some of them. And I'd like to just sort of tell you what I think it means for us and, therefore, what you can mean for us here.

Think about how the world has changed in the last hundred years. A hundred years ago, there were far fewer democracies and much less freedom. Now we see the American idea of democracy taking root all around the world -- more and more and more new nations. Even four years ago, we could not have imagined that a country like Bosnia would be able to redeem the promise of its own Olympics in Sarajevo, but they have a team here.

When I was walking through the crowd, a very tall, fine-looking man from Croatia came up to me and thanked me for what our country has done for Croatia. It was in Dubrovnik, Croatia, that Secretary of Commerce Ron Brown's plane crashed, full of Americans who were going there only because they wanted to help bring the blessings of peace to people in another country.

When I was walking down the sidewalk, a man who is a part of the Palestinian team came up to me and he said, "We are an ancient people, but we have never had a team in the Olympics. This is our first team because you in the United States helped us to make peace."

I was in the dining hall and a man from Ireland came up to me, almost with tears in his eyes, saying that he remembered when Hillary and I went to Ireland last year, and there had been a year and a half of peace that the United States had helped to support, and thousands and tens of thousands of people were lining the streets, happy and gay. And now they have lost their peace again. He said to me, he said, "I'm glad to be here, but I don't want to lose my country. Make it come back."

That's what people think about your country -- that somehow we can help to make things better in the world by bringing people together. It was not easy for us to come to this point. A hundred years ago there was a lot more racism in the United States than there is today, and

segregation kept a lot of the most gifted people away from athletic competition. Women had few rights, and no nation, including ours, allowed them to compete. Think how many medals that would cost us this time. (Laughter.)

Now we live a lot closer to our own beliefs. Now we have learned that we have to draw strength from our diversity, that all of our people count and they can all be partners in our great enterprise. And I'm telling you, that shines across the globe. And when you go out to compete and people see that here's this American team and you -- half of them you can't tell where they're from, because they're from all different kinds of racial and ethnic groups, all kinds of religious and cultural traditions, bound together by their common heritage in this great land. You don't have to say anything about it.

One of the folks that walked in with me said that he was so pleased to see the spirit of the Olympics taking over when he saw some North Korean and South Korean athletes sitting and talking together at dinner. I've been trying to get the North and South Koreans to talk for four years and I haven't done it. I've been trying to get it done for four years and I haven't done it. (Applause.)

So tonight, when you walk into that opening ceremony, and billions of eyes all over the world are on you, you carry the symbol of all that we have become not only in fact, but in the eyes and the spirit and the hopes of the rest of the world. And just as surely as those of us who work in the diplomatic area, or the fine people who wear the uniform of the United States military, you will become a symbol.

I want you to win all the medals you can. I want you to mop up and do great. But I want you to realize that just by being what you already are, you are a source of enormous pride to our country and an inspiration to the world. And I hope tonight and these next couple of weeks are the greatest time of your life.

Thank you and God bless you. (Applause.)

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12:36 P.M. EDT

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

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August 7, 1996

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO THE U.S. OLYMPIC TEAM

The South Lawn

10:28 A.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. I want to welcome Dr. Walker here and Dick Schultz and Maynard Jackson and others who come from the Olympic Committee and from Atlanta. I want to say also a special word of thanks to the Vice President, who worked so hard on America's contribution to the Olympic Games, who can't be here today; and to my good friend Mack McLarty for all the work they did to help the Olympics succeed. (Applause.)

And I want to welcome the coaches and the family members who are here. But most of all, I want to welcome you here. I want you to know, you've caused us two problems -- one is, none of us got any sleep for the last two weeks, and I don't think we hurt the public interest -- (laughter) -- but we enjoyed watching you, sometimes until 1:00 o'clock in the morning. The second thing you have done is good in a way -- we've all intensified our training schedule around here -- (laughter) -- since we watched the Olympics. But I asked my staff if there were any special requests that I should make of you, and an enormous number of people asked if we could get the women's soccer team to teach us that belly slide. (Applause.)

As all of you know, this was a very great thing for the United States. When Hillary and I had a chance to come and meet with you at the beginning before the Olympics began, I said that we would cheer when you won and cry when you lost, but that your efforts and what you symbolized for America would be the most important thing. And I really very much believe that today.

This was a remarkable Olympic experience. And I think in many ways it was fitting that the Centennial Olympics were held in the United States because we do represent so many nations. When I leave you I'm going out to California. There were 197 teams in the Olympics. In one county in California, there are people from the same places as over 150 of those teams. That's what's special about our country. And you gave that to the world when we saw you, when we saw you compete, when we saw you win. And we're very grateful to you.

I'm also very grateful to the people in Atlanta who did a magnificent job in organizing the

games and for the community spirit there after the bombing. I thought it was magnificent. (Applause.)

There may have been some discussion about this, but I believe that since more people saw these games than any games in history -- both in person and on television -- because they were so well organized, because there were so many countries represented, because you were so magnificent and because of the way people reacted to the tragedy, as far as I'm concerned, these Atlanta Games were the best. They were the greatest games in the history of the Olympics. (Applause.)

I also would like to say a special word of appreciation to all the athletes who competed and all those who won. But let me say, when I looked at our team, I couldn't help as the father of a daughter of whom I'm very proud, I couldn't help but note that over 20 years ago in a complete bipartisan commitment here in Washington the United States Congress passed something called Title IX which made it possible for a lot of the women athletes to be here today. (Applause.)

There were 77,000 spectators at the women's soccer finals. There were a lot of men basketball players watching the women's basketball finals thanking God they weren't on the court that day. (Laughter.) We should be on the forefront always of bringing more people into the world of sport, more people into competition, more people having a chance to live out their dreams whatever they are.

And yesterday, we saw off the torch for the Paralympics which will be starting in Atlanta soon. And I know everyone of you support that. One of our runners in the Paralympic actually is on an NCAA Division I track team at my alma mater Georgetown University. So, we ought to be for more and more and more people having the chance to participate.

And let me finally say that I had very high hopes for all of you and for our country. They were exceeded not only by the medals you won, but by the way you won them. And you gave something very special to the American people. I'm glad you can be here today. And we'd like to just have a chance to give a small portion back to you through your tour of your house that you gave to all of us for those wonderful 17 days.

Thank you all. God bless you and good luck. (Applause.)

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GAME SUMMARY

GOLDEN PARALYMPICS

The United States wasted no time finding its way to the medal stand, earning 34 medals over the 10 days of competition at the 1998 Winter Paralympic Games in Nagano, Japan.

Thirty-two of the Americans' 34 medals were won by alpine skiers on the slopes of Shiga Kogen, including 13 gold medals. Paralympic legend Sarah Will (Vail, Colo.) led the medal charge, winning three golds and one silver medal. She was joined by alpine teammates Sarah Billmeier (Yarmouth, Maine) and Mary Riddell (Dove Creek, Colo.) as four-medal winners.

"All I can say is this is a perfect ending to a perfect week," Will said after capturing her third title in the slalom on Saturday, March 14, just hours before Closing Ceremonies. "The other nations have made some tremendous gains on us. It was a very interesting week."

Powered by veterans Will and Billmeier, the U.S. women dominated as eight of the nine members medaled. Will won in every event, but downhill, where she won the silver. Billmeier won gold in the downhill and slalom and took silver in the Super-G and bronze in the giant slalom. Riddell, a first-time Paralympian, finished second to Jennifer Kelchner (Cazevonia, N.Y.) in the downhill and then went on to win two bronze medals (Super-G, slalom) and gold in the giant slalom. Maggie Behle (Salt Lake City, Utah) chipped in two bronze medals in downhill and slalom.

After leading the U.S. delegation into the M-Wave for Opening Ceremonies as flag bearer, Greg Mannino (Vail, Colo.) led the U.S. men's alpine group down the slopes with gold-medal victories in downhill and Super-G and a bronze in giant slalom. The U.S. swept the LW-2 class in the giant slalom as Jason Lalla (Avon, Colo.) won gold and Monte Meier (Hastings, Minn.) captured the silver.

Chris Waddell (Granby, Mass.) was a three-time medalist with gold in downhill and silver in Super-G and slalom. John Davis (Vail, Colo.) captured the U.S. men's third downhill gold in his class and Jim Lagerstrom (Dearborn, Mich.) recovered from a broken wrist to win bronze in the slalom. The final multiple U.S. medalists were Jacob Rife (Pocatello, Idaho) with silver in the Super-G and bronze in the slalom, and George Sansonetis (Hunter, N.Y.) who won silver in giant slalom and bronze in Super-G.

U.S. cross country skiers Mike Crenshaw (Boulder, Colo.) and Bob Balk (Penfield, N.Y.) each won bronze. Balk claimed his medal in the 10km and Crenshaw's came in the 20km "Super Cup" Classic of combined classes, which was a first for the U.S. in international competition. Americans were frequent top-10 finishers and set many personal records.

"I'm really proud of the whole group," U.S. cross country head coach Jon Kremealmeyer said. "Mike winning the bronze medal is a remarkable feat for a stand-up guy to come through like this."

The U.S. sled hockey team made its debut in Paralympic competition and finished with a 1-2-1 record and in sixth place, which is where the team was seeded coming into the tournament. Led by Joe Howard's (South Weymouth, Maine) six goals, the U.S. defeated Great Britain, 7-0, for its first Paralympic victory. Goaltender Manuel Guerra (Minneapolis, Minn.) allowed just five goals in four games as the U.S. battled each game close, including an opening 1-1 tie with eventual silver-medalist Canada.

"I don't know why it took us so long to get going in this tournament, but this is how we can play," Howard said following the 7-0 victory over Great Britain.

Overall, Germany claimed top honors in the medal count with 52 awards, 19 of which were gold. Norway and Japan earned 42 medals, Russia and Austria claimed 35 medals each, while the U.S. was next in the medal count with a total of 34. Team USA earned 13 gold medals, eight silvers and 13 bronze awards.

Final Medal Count

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Germany	19	19	14	52
Norway	18	10	14	42
Japan	13	17	12	42
Russia	12	12	11	35
Austria	7	17	11	35
USA	13	8	13	34
France	8	11	9	28
Switzerland	12	5	9	26
Finland	7	5	9	21
Canada	1	9	5	15
Slovakia	0	7	4	11
Italy	3	4	3	10
Ukraine	3	3	4	10
Spain	7	0	0	7
Czech Rep.	3	3	1	7
Sweden	0	2	5	7
New Zealand	4	1	1	6
Denmark	1	0	2	3
Netherlands	0	1	2	3
Australia	1	0	1	2
Poland	0	0	2	2

USA Medalists

Gold (13)

Sarah Billmeier, Alpine Skiing, Downhill, Slalom
 Jennifer Kelchner, Alpine Skiing, Downhill
 Chris Waddell, Alpine Skiing, Downhill
 John Davis, Alpine Skiing, Downhill
 Greg Mannino, Alpine Skiing, Downhill, Super G
 Sarah Will, Alpine Skiing, Super G, Slalom, Giant Slalom
 Jason Lalla, Alpine Skiing, Giant Slalom
 Mary Riddell, Alpine Skiing, Giant Slalom
 Monte Meier, Alpine Skiing, Slalom

Silver (8)

Sarah Will, Alpine Skiing, Downhill
 Mary Riddell, Alpine Skiing, Downhill
 Chris Waddell, Alpine Skiing, Super G, Slalom
 Jacob Rife, Alpine Skiing, Super G
 Sarah Billmeier, Alpine Skiing, Super G
 George Sansonetis, Alpine Skiing, Giant Slalom
 Monte Meier, Alpine Skiing, Giant Slalom

Bronze (13)

Maggie Behle, Alpine Skiing, Downhill
 George Sansonetis, Alpine Skiing, Super G
 Mary Riddell, Alpine Skiing, Super G
 Bob Balk, Cross Country Skiing, 10km
 Greg Mannino, Alpine Skiing, Giant Slalom
 Sarah Billmeier, Alpine Skiing, Giant Slalom
 Jacob Rife, Alpine Skiing, Slalom
 Jim Lagerstrom, Alpine Skiing, Slalom
 Theresa Fancher, Alpine Skiing, Slalom
 Maggie Behle, Alpine Skiing, Slalom
 Mary Riddell, Alpine Skiing, Slalom
 Muffy Davis, Alpine Skiing, Slalom
 Mike Crenshaw, Cross Country Skiing, 20km

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Delegation Director: Nancy Gonsalves, Colorado Springs, Colo.

ALPINE SKIING (24)

MEN

Athlete, Birthdate, Hometown/Current Residence (Disability or Medical Class)

Sage Betty, (b)(6), Camino, Calif. (LW-6)
John Davis, (b)(6), Vail, Colo. (LW-11)
Paul Edwards, (b)(6), Sudbury, Mass. (LW-10)
Jim Finch, (b)(6), Basalt, Colo. (LW-12)
Adam Fromma, (b)(6), Fraser, Colo. (LW-6)
Daniel Kosick, (b)(6), Binghamton, N.Y. (LW-2)
Jim Lagerstrom, (b)(6), Dearborn, Mich. (LW-4)
Jason Lalla, (b)(6), Avon, Colo. (LW-2)
Greg Mannino, (b)(6), Vail, Colo. (LW-2)
Bobby McMullen, (b)(6), Redding, Calif. (B-2)
Monte Meier, (b)(6), Hastings, Minn. (LW-2)
Chuck Miller, (b)(6), Frisco, Colo. (LW-10)
Matt Perkins, (b)(6), Twin Falls, Idaho (LW-2)
Jacob Rife, (b)(6), Pocatello, Idaho (LW-3)
George Sansonetis, (b)(6), Hunter, N.Y. (LW-9)
Chris Waddell, (b)(6), Granby, Mass. (LW-10)

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Women

Maggie Behle, (b)(6), Salt Lake City, Utah (LW-2)
Sarah Billmeier, (b)(6), Yarmouth, Maine (LW-2)
Marianna "Muffy" Davis, (b)(6), Sun Valley, Idaho (LW-10)
Teresa Fancher, (b)(6), Omak, Wash. (B-1)
Karen Gardner, (b)(6), Arvada, Colo. (LW-2)
Jennifer Kelchner, (b)(6), Cazenovia, N.Y. (LW-4)
Mary Riddell, (b)(6), Dove Creek, Colo. (LW-4)
Sarah Will, (b)(6), Vail, Colo. (LW-11)

Team Leader: Ewald Zirbisegger (Winter Park, Colo.)

Sit Coach: Steven Stone (Winter Park, Colo.)

Stand Coach: Dave Rayder (San Diego, Calif.)

Assistant Coaches: Chris Griffin (Elk Grove, Calif.); Carl "Chris" Christiansen (Fraser, Colo.); Ray Watkins (Mt. Shasta, Calif.)

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING (11)

MEN

Athlete, Birthdate, Hometown/Current Residence (Disability or Medical Class)

Robert Balk, (b)(6), Penfield, N.Y. (LW-11)
Ben Benroth, N/A, Utah (N/A)
Steve Cook, (b)(6), Salt Lake City, Utah (LW-4)

Mike Crenshaw, (b)(6) Boulder, Colo. (LW-4)
 Craig Gray, (b)(6) Scarborough, Maine (LW-11)
 Rick Langreck, N/A, Wisconsin (N/A)
 Keith Sladek, N/A, Wisconsin (N/A)
 William Stewart, (b)(6) Redlands, Calif. (LW-6/8)
 Robert Walsh, (b)(6) Hanover, N.H. (B-3)

WOMEN

Candace Cable, (b)(6) Glendale, Calif. (LW-11)
 Nancy Stevens, (b)(6) Frisco, Colo. (B-1)

Team Leader: Jon Kreamelmeyer (Frisco, Colo.)
 Head Coach: Scott Peterson (Dillon, Colo.)
 Head Coach, Special Olympics: Dean Glaze (N/A)
 Assistant Coach: Joan Scheingraber (Portland, Ore.); John Downing (Bend, Ore.)
 Coach: TBA-Special Olympics (Hometown)

ICE SLEDGE HOCKEY (15)

Athlete, Birthdate, Position, Hometown/Current Residence (Disability or Medical Class)

Corbin Beu, N/A, forward Phoenix, Ariz. (LW-2)
 Victor Calise, (b)(6) forward, Ozone Park, N.Y. (LW-1)
 Carlo Casarano, (b)(6) defense, Pembroke, Maine (LW-1)
 Ed Clark, (b)(6) defense, Windham, N.H. (LW-2)
 David Conklin, (b)(6) forward, LaCrosse, Wis. (LW-2)
 Mike Doyle, (b)(6) forward, Warrington, Pa. (LW-3)
 Anthony Fitzgerald, (b)(6) defense, Floral Park, N.Y. (LW-2)
 Manny Guerra, (b)(6) goaltender, Minneapolis, Minn. (LW-3)
 Dan Henderson, (b)(6) defense, Washington, D.C. (LW-3)
 Joe Howard, (b)(6) forward, South Weymouth, Maine (LW-3)
 George Kiefner, (b)(6) defense, Little Canada, Minn. (LW-3)
 Mike Kult, (b)(6) defense, Omaha, Neb. (LW-2)
 Jeffrey Pagels, (b)(6) N/A, Green Bay, Wis. (N/A)
 Francis "Kip" St. Germaine, (b)(6) forward, Sagamore, Maine (LW-2)
 Richard "Tiny" Simpson, (b)(6) goaltender, Lakewood, Colo. (LW-3)

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Team Leader: John Schatzlein (Bloomington, Minn.)
 Head Coach: Angelo Bianco (New Egypt, N.J.)
 Associate Coach: Rich DeGlopper (Buffalo, N.Y.)
 Equipment Manager: Kay Robertson (Irvine, Calif.)

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 Head Physician: Michael Burns, M.D. (St. Louis, Mo.)
 Physicians: Cindy Chang, M.D. (Berkeley, Calif.); Brent Rich (Phoenix, Ariz.)
 Athletic Trainers: Lyda Garrison Norsworthy (Clovis, Calif.); David Kuhn (Fort Wayne, Ind.); (medical trans) Tetsurou Taono (Hiratsuka-City, Japan)

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 Karen Rountree, Disabled Sports USA (Gaithersburg, Md.)
 Dave Schaefer, U.S. Olympic Committee (Colorado Springs, Colo.)
 Caroline Williams, USA Basketball (Colorado Springs, Colo.)

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1998 WINTER PARALYMPIC GAMES

TEAM USA STATE-BY-STATE LIST

ARIZONA (1)

Corbin Beu	Phoenix	Ice Sledge Hockey
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CALIFORNIA (4)

Sage Betty	Camino	Alpine Skiing
Candace Cable	Glendale	Cross Country Skiing
Bobby McMullen	Redding	Alpine Skiing
William Stewart	Redlands	Cross Country Skiing

COLORADO (12)

Mike Crenshaw	Boulder	Cross Country Skiing
John Davis	Vail	Alpine Skiing
Jim Finch	Basalt	Alpine Skiing
Adam Fromma	Fraser	Alpine Skiing
Karen Gardner	Arvada	Alpine Skiing
Jason Lalla	Avon	Alpine Skiing
Greg Mannino	Vail	Alpine Skiing
Chuck Miller	Frisco	Alpine Skiing
Mary Riddell	Dove Creek	Alpine Skiing
Richard "Tiny" Simpson	Lakewood	Ice Sledge Hockey
Nancy Stevens	Frisco	Cross Country Skiing
Sarah Will	Vail	Alpine Skiing

IDAHO (3)

Marianna "Muffy" Davis	Sun Valley	Alpine Skiing
Matt Perkins	Twin Falls	Alpine Skiing
Jacob Rife	Pocatello	Alpine Skiing

MAINE (5)

Sarah Billmeier	Yarmouth	Alpine Skiing
Carlos Casarano	Pembroke	Ice Sledge Hockey
Craig Gray	Scarborough	Cross Country Skiing
Joe Howard	S. Weymouth	Ice Sledge Hockey
Francis "Kip" St. Germaine	Sagamore	Ice Sledge Hockey

MASSACHUSETTS (2)

Paul Edwards	Sudbury	Alpine Skiing
Chris Waddell	Granby	Alpine Skiing

MICHIGAN (1)

Jim Lagerstrom	Dearborn	Alpine Skiing
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MINNESOTA (3)

Manny Guerra	Minneapolis	Ice Sledge Hockey
George Kiefner	Little Canada	Ice Sledge Hockey
Monte Meier	Hastings	Alpine Skiing

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NEBRASKA (1)

Mike Kult

Omaha

Ice Sledge Hockey

NEW HAMPSHIRE (2)

Ed Clark

Windham

Ice Sledge Hockey

Robert Walsh

Hanover

Cross Country Skiing

NEW YORK (6)

Robert Balk

Penfield

Cross Country Skiing

Victor Calise

Ozone Park

Ice Sledge Hockey

Anthony Fitzgerald

Floral Park

Ice Sledge Hockey

Jennifer Kelchner

Cazenovia

Alpine Skiing

Daniel Kosnick

Binghamton

Alpine Skiing

George Sansonetis

Hunter

Alpine Skiing

PENNSYLVANIA (1)

Mike Doyle

Warrington

Ice Sledge Hockey

UTAH (2)

Maggie Behle

Salt Lake City

Alpine Skiing

Brent Benroth

N/A

Cross Country Skiing

WASHINGTON (state) (1)

Teresa Fancher

Omak

Alpine Skiing

WASHINGTON, D.C. (1)

Dan Henderson

Ice Sledge Hockey

WISCONSIN (2)

David Conklin

LaCrosse

Ice Sledge Hockey

Rick Langreck

N/A

Cross Country Skiing

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PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON
REMARKS FOR THE WINTER OLYMPICS/PARALYMPICS RECEPTION
APRIL 29, 1998

Acknowledge: Rep. Jim Ryun [RY-uhn] (Former Olympian); President of the United States Olympic Committee Bill Hybl and Exec. Dir. Dick Schult; Dan Butler, Senior trial attorney at the Dept. of Justice and gold medal winner in the 1996 Paralympic Games. //

I know Mrs. Gore wishes she could be here today. She did a tremendous job as the head of the U.S. Delegation to the 1998 Winter Olympics, keeping those of us back home informed with daily reports from Nagano. ~~(I'd like to thank the delegation -- "Team Tipper" as they called themselves, for representing us well.)~~ I'd also like to thank Mack McLarty, for working so hard as co-chair with the Vice President of our WH task force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

It is an honor to welcome America's best and bravest athletes to the White House. In 1908, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to the Olympic Athletes and thanked them for their efforts with a caged tiger. Today, we're going to have to do with Buddy and Socks.

This winter, the men and women here ~~-- America's best --~~ carried the hopes and dreams of all our people to Nagano. ~~Whether you came home with a medal or simply offered up your personal best in the mountains, ice rinks, and race courses of Japan, you made all of us very proud. That's because for two weeks in February, each and everyone of you showed the world what is best about America -- our determination and perseverance, our commitment to working with one another, and our unyielding pursuit of excellence.~~

*disgrace
and our
teamwork*

America's athletes do more than carry our flag, they carry our spirit. We are not an earthbound people, and as Nikki Stone and Eric Bergoust [BUHR-quest] flew past the competition and landed gold medals in freestyle skiing, we imagined we too could soar so high. ~~Skiing to the gold in women's Super G, Picabo Street~~ with her free spirit, pluck and tenacity gave new meaning to the title "comeback kid." ~~Greg Mammio skillfully maneuvered past obstacles with fearlessness and determination, to win 3 medals in alpine skiing. With precision and grace, Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan captivated the world in figure skating. The women's ice hockey players showed us all the meaning of teamwork and camaraderie as they took the first-ever Olympic Gold Medal. And Sarah Will built upon her past successes as she~~ garnered 3 golds and a silver on the alpine slopes. ?

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Across the country, we watched with pride. As the Olympic flag was lowered and passed from the Mayor of Nagano to Mayor Corradini of Salt Lake City, the closing ceremonies in Nagano became the opening event of the 2002 Salt Lake City Games. We are joined today by Mayor Deedee Corradini, Utah State Senator Scott Howell, members of the Salt Lake City Council, and the Chairman of the Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Robert Garff. We look forward to hosting the next winter Olympic Games in 2002 -- the first winter Olympics in the new millennium.

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But before we move on to Salt Lake City, let me say that the celebration of your 1998 Olympic glory does not stop here. You have become a part of "America's team" and for the rest of your lives you will, if you choose, have a profound impact on those around you, especially our young people. While you may think that being in the Olympics was your magic moment, I believe that the future holds even more promise. You are young, you are strong and everyone of you has a great amount of power over the minds of our youth. With that power comes a responsibility, a responsibility to teach the lessons of setting your sights high, working hard and being persistent. ~~I want you to make the most of your achievement, as some of you already are with the Champions of Life Program.~~ You can be the examples our children need by reaching out, telling your stories, working in our communities and approaching your future endeavors with the same drive that got you here today. The power of your success can change many lives for the better.

through all its highs and lows,

In this century, we have seen a renaissance of the Olympic Games. ~~Even in difficult times, the Olympics have allowed a forum for opportunity and triumph.~~ In the 1936 Berlin Olympics, clouded by the darkest days of our humanity, Jesse Owens sprinted past barriers of prejudice and hatred. ~~His words remind us of how the Olympics have come to symbolize world freedom and the potential for human understanding.~~ *Here is what he said:* "Only an Olympian can fully realize the grip the Games have on the youth of the world, and this is especially true throughout the United States. Problems can be solved -- must be solved. If we lose the Olympics and all they represent, our civilization will have taken a sad step backward." ✱

In this sunlit time of peace and prosperity, ~~we must not forget how far we have come and the challenges that still remain. We must strive to move forward, to continue the legacy of Jesse Owen's courage, and fulfill the promise of the American spirit. The Olympic spirit is the spirit of personal responsibility and best effort, the spirit of community and spirit of unity. Thank you for inspiring us, young and old, to strive to do our best and make the most of our potential. Your victories and your Olympic efforts are America's achievement. I ask each of you, in your own lives and in your own way, to carry that torch in to the 21st Century.~~

TOO MUCH

I'm honored to introduce the athlete you have chosen to represent you today...an athlete who's grace and excellence on the ice brings tears to the eyes of her spectators and joy to our hearts. Ladies and Gentleman, Michelle Kwan.

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REMARKS FOR THE WINTER OLYMPICS/PARALYMPICS RECEPTION
APRIL 29, 1998**

Acknowledge: Rep. Jim Ryun [RY-uhn] (Former Olympian); President of the United States Olympic Committee Bill Hybl and Exec. Dir. Dick Schult; Dan Butler, Senior trial attorney at the Dept. of Justice and gold medal winner in the 1996 Paralympic Games. 

I know Mrs. Gore wishes she could be here today. She did a tremendous job as the head of the U.S. Delegation to the 1998 Winter Olympics, keeping those of us back home informed with daily reports from Nagano. I'd like to thank the delegation -- "Team Tipper" as they called themselves, for representing us well. I'd also like to thank Mack McLarty, for working so hard as co-chair with the Vice President of our WH task force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

It is an honor to welcome America's best and bravest athletes to the White House. In 1908, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to the Olympic Athletes and thanked them for their efforts with a caged tiger. Today, we're going to have to do with Buddy and Socks.

This winter, the men and women here -- America's best -- carried the hopes and dreams of all our people to Nagano. ~~Whether you came home with a medal or simply offered up your personal best in the mountains, ice rinks, and race courses of Japan, you made all of us very proud. That's because for two weeks in February, each and~~ everyone of you showed the world what is best about America -- our determination and perseverance, our commitment to working with one another, and our unyielding pursuit of excellence.

America's ~~athletes~~  do more than carry our flag, they carry our spirit. We are not an earthbound people, and as Nikki Stone and Eric Bergoust [BUHR-quest] flew past the ~~competition~~  and landed gold medals in freestyle skiing, we imagined we too could soar so high. Skiing to the gold in women's Super-G, Picabo Street with her free spirit, pluck and tenacity gave new meaning to the title "comeback kid." Greg Mannino skillfully maneuvered past obstacles with fearlessness and determination, to win 3 medals in alpine skiing. With precision and grace, Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan ~~captivated the world in figure skating.~~ The women's ice hockey players showed us all the meaning of teamwork and camaraderie as they took the first-ever Olympic Gold Medal. And Sarah Will built upon her past successes as she garnered 3 golds and a silver on the alpine slopes.

Across the country, we watched with pride. As the Olympic flag was lowered and passed from the Mayor of Nagano to Mayor Corradini of Salt Lake City, the closing ceremonies in Nagano became the opening event of the 2002 Salt Lake City Games. We are joined today by Mayor Deedee Corradini, Utah State Senator Scott Howell, members of the Salt Lake City Council, and the Chairman of the Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Robert Garff. We look forward to hosting the next winter Olympic Games in 2002 -- the first winter Olympics in the new millennium.

But before we move on to Salt Lake City, let me say that the celebration of your 1998 Olympic glory does not stop here. You have become a part of "America's team" and for the rest of your lives you will, if you choose, have a profound impact on those around you, especially our young people. While you may think that being in the Olympics was your magic moment, I believe that the future holds even more promise. You are young, you are strong and everyone of you has a great amount of power over the minds of our youth. With that power comes a responsibility, a responsibility to teach the lessons of setting your sights high, working hard and being persistent. ~~I want you to make the most of your achievement, as some of you already are with the Champions of Life Program.~~ You can be the examples our children need by reaching out, telling your stories, working in our communities and approaching your future endeavors with the same drive that got you here today. The power of your success can change many lives for the better.

In this century we have seen a renaissance of the Olympic Games. Even in difficult times, the Olympics have allowed a forum for opportunity and triumph. In the 1936 Berlin Olympics, clouded by the darkest days of our humanity, Jesse Owens sprinted past barriers of prejudice and hatred. ~~His words remind us of how the Olympics have come to symbolize world freedom and the potential for human understanding.~~ *Here's what he said.* "Only an Olympian can fully realize the grip the Games have on the youth of the world, and this is especially true throughout the United States. Problems can be solved -- must be solved. If we lose the Olympics and all they represent, our civilization will have taken a sad step backward."

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In this sunlit time of peace and prosperity, ~~we~~ must not forget how far we have come and the challenges that still remain. We must strive to move forward, to continue the legacy of Jesse Owen's courage, and fulfill the promise of the American spirit. The Olympic spirit is the spirit of personal responsibility and best effort, the spirit of community and spirit of unity. Thank you for inspiring us, young and old, to strive to do our best and make the most of our potential. Your victories and your Olympic efforts are America's achievement. I ask each of you, in your own lives and in your own way, to carry that torch in to the 21st Century.

I'm honored to introduce the athlete you have chosen to represent you today...an athlete who's grace and excellence on the ice brings tears to the eyes of her spectators and joy to our hearts. Ladies and Gentleman, Michelle Kwan.

Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Robert Garff. I believe I can speak on behalf of all of us and express how much we look forward to hosting the next winter Olympic Games in 2002.

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For as soon as we see
Many athletes here today are already making the most of their achievements by actively reaching out to our nation's youth. I understand this week some of are working with the Champions in Life Program. Thank you for spending time with troubled young kids, becoming role models, encouraging them to stay in school and remain drug free. The power of your example can change the lives of many for the better.

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From Jonny Moseley's
America's best athletes flew through the air

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~~In 1998, America's best ^{most} ~~and~~ ~~brilliant~~ carried on~~

Two months ago, the men + women in this room
carried America's hopes + dreams

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Acknowledge: Members of Congress I'm sorry Mrs. Gore can't be here today, but I'm so glad that I asked her to head the U.S. Delegation to the 1998 Winter Olympics. She kept us informed with daily reports from Nagano, stories of incredible Japanese hospitality, pictures of our delegation and team members and even a few wild monkeys. I'd like to thank the delegation -- "Team Tipper" as they called themselves, for representing us well. I'd also like to thank Mack McLarty, for working so hard as co-chair with the Vice President of our WH task force on the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Welcome to all of our Olympic athletes, it's an honor to have you at the White House. In 1908, Teddy Roosevelt spoke to the Olympic Athletes in London and presented them with a caged tiger. Today, we are going to have to make do with Buddy and Socks.

In 1998 America's best carried the torch in Japan. All of you should feel proud of your efforts and proud of the way you represented the United States. Your excellence, your determination, and your diversity, are powerful testimonials to America's rich heritage. The Olympic spirit is the spirit of personal responsibility and best effort, the spirit of community and spirit of unity. Whether you are multiple Gold Medalists or first-time Olympians, each of you is a guardian of that Olympic spirit.

As all of you know
The goodwill of the games transcends athletics as team members from all nations come together to compete peacefully on the field of play. With strong leadership from the United States Olympic Committee, you have lived up to the Olympic ideal of promoting respect between the peoples of the world. We are grateful to you for your efforts and for what you symbolized for America.

Three invited States
America's stars shown brightly in Nagano. Both men and women's ski jumping team took home the gold; Picabo Street gave new meaning to the name "comeback kid" as she won the gold medal in the women's super-G; U.S. women's ice hockey team made history with the first ever Gold medal; paralympic legend Sarah Will won 3 golds and a silver on the alpine slopes; Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan's performances captivated us all and brought home gold and silver. Led by Joe Howard's six goals, the U.S. sled hockey team defeated Great Britain for its first Paralympic victory.

And certainly *our* *Across the country*
~~And~~ we have much to anticipate in the Olympic future. ~~Americans~~ watched the closing ceremonies with pride as the Olympic flag was lowered and passed from the Mayor of Nagano to Mayor Corridi of Salt Lake City. We are joined today by Mayor Corridi, along with Sen. Xxx, the Chairman of the Salt Lake Olympic Committee, Robert Garff. I believe I can speak on behalf of all of us and express how much we look forward to hosting the next winter Olympic Games in 2002 in ~~Salt Lake~~.

ment and the Student Community" (Government Printing Office, 25 pp.).

A White House announcement of the presentation ceremony is printed in the Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents (vol. 4, p. 1553). On the occasion the President and Mrs. Johnson, as "founders and sustainers of the White House Fellows program," were presented with a vermeil bowl in a bamboo motif from the White House

Fellows, 1965-1968.

On September 3, 1968, the White House announced the start of the fifth nationwide search for outstanding young men and women to serve as White House Fellows. The release stated that the third group of White House Fellows had just completed their year-long assignments and a fourth group, the 1968-69 Fellows, had just begun their duties (4 Weekly Comp. Pres. Docs., p. 1304).

571 Statement by the President Congratulating Members of the United States Olympic Team. *October 30, 1968*

MY warmest congratulations go out to the members of the 1968 United States Olympic Team. America is in your debt.

In victory—and in defeat—you brought new honor to our country. For thousands of your fellow citizens who were there, and for the millions of us who viewed your exploits on television, the Mexico City Olympics re-awakened our national pride and renewed our faith in the future.

Your countrymen deeply appreciate the sacrifices you made to win such a prestigious place in this greatest of all sports events. Thanks to you, the world was witness once again to the vitality, vigor, and fair play which mark the American character. And men and women everywhere were first-hand viewers of a nation alive with the ideals and aspirations that have since birth been the staff of its greatness.

572 The President's Address to the Nation Upon Announcing His Decision To Halt the Bombing of North Vietnam. *October 31, 1968*

Good evening, my fellow Americans:

I speak to you this evening about very important developments in our search for peace in Vietnam.

We have been engaged in discussions with the North Vietnamese in Paris since last May. The discussions began after I announced on the evening of March 31st in a television speech to the Nation that the United States—in an effort to get talks started on a settlement of the Vietnam war—had stopped the bombing of North Vietnam in the area where 90 percent of the people live.

When our representatives—Ambassador Harriman and Ambassador Vance—were sent to Paris, they were instructed to insist

throughout the discussions that the legitimate elected Government of South Vietnam must take its place in any serious negotiations affecting the future of South Vietnam.

Therefore, our Ambassadors Harriman and Vance made it abundantly clear to the representatives of North Vietnam in the beginning that—as I had indicated on the evening of March 31st—we would stop the bombing of North Vietnamese territory entirely when that would lead to prompt and productive talks, meaning by that talks in which the Government of Vietnam was free to participate.

Our ambassadors also stressed that we could not stop the bombing so long as by

setts—and one British runner, Lieutenant Wyndham Halswelle, the British champion.

The controversy began when Carpenter was called for fouling Halswelle. The two men had traded the lead back and forth during the latter stage of the race, but British officials came on to the track and declared the race over before the runners reached the finish line. All the runners continued, except Taylor who stopped when informed by the officials. Spectators argued whether a foul had been committed. The Amateur Athletic Association held a hearing on the situation, taking testimony from the British officials and Halswelle. Not one American official or runner was asked to testify before the association. After Carpenter's disqualification, the race was rerun two days later, but Carpenter's American teammates refused to compete, allowing Halswelle to win in a walk-over. The hostility between the British officials and the American contingent intensified.

In part because of the many controversies that plagued the London Games, Olympic officials declined to present an overall team championship trophy to any nation. The chief concern was the scoring system used for the Games. Another concern was the inclusion of events in which few, if any, countries other than Great Britain participated. These issues combined with the disputes over questionable officiating led the Games committee to declare that an overall championship trophy would not be given. Only individual event winners were recognized.

Even the closing ceremonies caused concern. As Queen Alexandra was presenting the awards, she paid special attention to Italy's Dorando, giving him a personal gift, a cup, as well as an Olympic wreath. Considering that he was not a winner, some of the Americans felt that this was a slight to Johnny Hayes and the United States.

Hayes, as well as the rest of the American team, heard from President Theodore Roosevelt. Upon the team's arrival back in the United States, they were received by the president at his home in Oyster Bay, New York. He congratulated the team for their victory on behalf of the nation.

Officials and athletes from many of the nineteen participating countries complained of the handling of the fourth modern Olympic Games. Prior to these Games, each nation understood that the management of each event would be handled by the association governing that sport in Great Britain. That association would be responsible both for providing all officials and for the conduct of the athletes. Foreign representatives taking part in the Games had no part in their management.

Having local associations with sole responsibility over their respective events caused much of the confusion over the conduct of the Games. The scoring system also caused much confusion. British officials scored the contests by awarding 1 point to each victory and nothing to second- and third-place finishers. Events both inside and outside the stadium were scored. The contests inside the stadium included track and field events. Events outside the stadium included