

September 24, 1999

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Sincerely,

Shirley Sagawa
Deputy Assistant to the President and
Deputy Chief of Staff to the First Lady

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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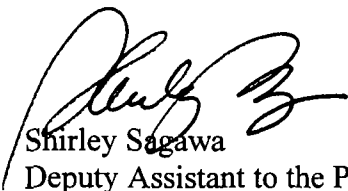
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August 31, 1999

Mr. William J. Clinton, President
Mrs. Hillary Clinton, First Lady
United States of America
Washington, DC

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Don't know if a staff
letter went to POTUS -

My dear Mr. President and Mrs. Clinton:

We at the Elmwood Senior Center of West Hartford, Connecticut, are publishing a book to honor America as we approach the millennium. It is titled *Past, Present and Future*. All stories and poems are written by seniors of the Creative Writing Group, who have been doing this for the past 12 years. The writing in this edition of the Elmwood Creative Writing Class is a testament of our heritage and to the idea that learning never ends regardless of age. It will also contain the history of West Hartford.

We know of your great concern and dedication to the elderly and are very grateful for that. We would be honored if you could find time in your busy schedules to write a few words that we could include in this book for posterity.

On behalf of our Senior Director, Ms. Gina Marino, and our 2,000 members, we will be anxiously waiting to hear from you as soon as possible. We hope to go to print October 15. Please send your response to:

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I remain

Sincerely yours,

Stella Larson

Stella Larson
Committee Chair

Gina Marino

Gina Marino
Director

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P. S. My dear Mr. President, I just want to say I was born a Democrat 86 years ago and have voted in every election since I was 21.



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