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Thanks--Susan

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Dear Mr. President:

Thank you for your kind letter of the 19th and your and Rosalynn's wishes to Ilo and me. We are both very sorry to know of your skiing accident and hope your recovery will be swift as you head into the New Year.

Apropos executive prerogatives in the issue of school desegregation, the Oregonian just published my letter of some two or three weeks ago (copy enclosed).

I am told the Quadrennial Salary Commission has recommended an increase of judicial salaries to pay U.S. District Judges in the neighborhood of \$85,000 a year and other judges correspondingly adjusted salaries. Not only in light of the excellent appointments which you have made to the judiciary, but as a concerned lawyer, I strongly urge that your budget propose judicial salary increases to the Congress.

I need not cite chapter and verse in support of my position, but merely add my voice to that of others in support of correcting the inequity which now prevails. Congress has to bear primary responsibility since it has failed repeatedly to increase judicial salaries, those salaries having been tied to Congressional pay. I personally would also favor at least a cost-of-living increase to members of Congress so the pressure for so-called "outside" income is reduced. The opportunity to supplement their salaries, afforded to members of Congress, is not available to members of the Judiciary.

Ilo joins me in sending you and Rosalynn our warmest regards and best wishes.



cc: The Attorney General

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### Carter courage

To the Editor: President Carter's veto of the anti-busing provision in the appropriations bill deserves public approval and applause. It was correct and courageous of the president to take this action and is characteristic of a president who places principle above passion.

Busing may be an overworked remedy to achieve racial balance and justice in public school systems, but one should not throw out the baby with the dirty bath water. There are appropriate circumstances where that remedy should be sought by the Justice Department, and it is neither fair nor constitutionally permissible to have Congress tie the executive's hands in seeking balanced enforcement of the law.

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