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TO: (FOR THE PRESIDENT)
FRANK MOORE
INFO: (WHITE HOUSE)

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 8, 1978

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Early in my administration I proposed to Congress that the Hatch Act provisions affecting the political activities of federal employees be modified.

I was pleased that the House, under your leadership, voted overwhelmingly last year to strengthen the protections of federal employees from political coercion on the job while permitting them to freely exercise their First Amendment rights to participate in the political process. I continue to support Hatch Act reform.

Because I am concerned that the issues surrounding Hatch Act modification and Civil Service reform not become intertwined, I have consistently sought reform of the Hatch Act independent of action on Civil Service reform.

I believe separate consideration of the two bills is the best way to insure that each bill is eventually passed. This does not reflect any diminution of my commitment to fuller political participation for federal employees while affording necessary protections to the public. It does reflect my belief that the Hatch Act should not be considered together with Civil Service reform.

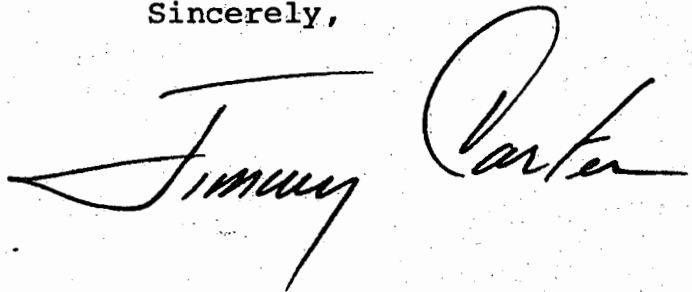
I share your concern that the Senate has not yet acted upon Hatch Act legislation, and intend to bring this concern to the attention of the Senate leadership. Hopefully, consideration and action will be taken without undue delay -- prior to adjournment.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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Your efforts on behalf of Hatch Act reform merit the appreciation of all federal employees anxious to exercise their basic political rights. I look forward to continuing our mutual efforts in support of those federal employees.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jimmy Carter". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the word "Sincerely,".

The Honorable William Clay
Chairman
Subcommittee on Civil Service
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON
September 8, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: HUGH CARTER *HC*
SUBJECT: Weekly Mail Report (Per Your Request)

Below are statistics on Presidential and First Family:

<u>INCOMING</u>	<u>WEEK ENDING 9/1</u>	<u>WEEK ENDING 9/8</u>
Presidential	14,450	12,830
First Lady	1,075	1,020
Amy	155	115
<u>Other First Family</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>45</u>
TOTAL	15,750	14,010

BACKLOG

Presidential	3,205	2,220
First Lady	310	210
Amy	0	0
<u>Other</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	3,515	2,430

DISTRIBUTION OF PRESIDENTIAL MAIL ANALYZED

Agency Referrals	12%	11%
WH Correspondence	41%	39%
Unanswerable Mail	18%	19%
White House Staff	6%	6%
Greetings Requests	20%	23%
<u>Other</u>	<u>3%</u>	<u>2%</u>
TOTAL	100%	100%

NOT INCLUDED ABOVE

Form Letters	408	1,752
Form Post Cards	3,200	5,050
Mail Addressed to White House Staff	17,403	15,060

MAJOR ISSUES IN
CURRENT PRESIDENTIAL ADULT MAIL
Week Ending 9/8/78

ISSUES	PRO	CON	COMMENT ONLY	NUMBER LETTERS
Support for Middle East Summit Conference at Camp David	95%	5%	0	348
Support for Stationing United States Peace Keeping Forces in the Middle East (1)	6%	94%	0	320
Support for Appointment of Sarah Weddington (2)	9%	91%	0	300
Support for Indictments of Members of the Church of Scientology	0	100%	0	<u>213</u>
	Total			1,181

(1) SUPPORT FOR STATIONING U.S. TROOPS IN
THE MIDDLE EAST (94% Con)

Responding to reports from the press, writers strongly object to stationing American troops in the Middle East and jeopardizing their lives in another conflict in which the United States is not directly involved.

(2) SUPPORT FOR APPOINTMENT OF SARAH WEDDINGTON (91% Con)

Contending that it is inconsistent with the Administration's stated position on abortion, supporters of the Right to Life are expressing opposition to the appointment of Ms. Weddington because of her pro abortion stance.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 8, 1978

Jim Fallows

The attached was returned in
the President's outbox. It is
forwarded to you for appropriate
handling.

Rick Hutcheson

cc: Stu Eizenstat

FOR STAFFING
FOR INFORMATION
FROM PRESIDENT'S OUTBOX
LOG IN/TO PRESIDENT TODAY
IMMEDIATE TURNAROUND
NO DEADLINE
LAST DAY FOR ACTION

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CONFIDENTIAL
SECRET
EYES ONLY

ACTION
FYI

VICE PRESIDENT

JORDAN

EIZENSTAT

KRAFT

LIPSHUTZ

MOORE

POWELL

RAFSHOON

WATSON

WEXLER

BRZEZINSKI

MCINTYRE

SCHULTZE

ADAMS

ANDRUS

BELL

BERGLAND

BLUMENTHAL

BROWN

CALIFANO

HARRIS

KREPS

MARSHALL

SCHLESINGER

STRAUSS

VANCE

ARAGON

BUTLER

H. CARTER

CLOUGH

CRUIKSHANK

FALLOWS

FIRST LADY

GAMMILL

HARDEN

HUTCHESON

LINDER

MARTIN

MOE

PETERSON

PETTIGREW

PRESS

SANDERS

VOORDE

WARREN

WISE

Last Day -- 18 September 1978

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 6, 1978

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT
FROM: STU EIZENSTAT *Stu*
SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R. 8471
Exhibition of U.S.S. Wyoming Nameplate,
Ship's Bell and Silver Service

THE BILL

Current law provides that the nameplate, ship's bell and the silver service of the U.S.S. Wyoming, on loan from the Secretary of the Navy to the Governor of Wyoming, shall be used for exhibition and educational purposes by the University of Wyoming. The enrolled bill would permit the State to exhibit the silver service at the Wyoming State Museum, as state officials wish to do, by amending the law to make the place of exhibition of the articles discretionary with the Governor of Wyoming. The bill also would clarify that ownership of the items remains with the Department of the Navy.

VOTES IN CONGRESS

The bill passed both House and Senate by voice vote.

AGENCY AND STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

OMB and Defense recommend approval and GSA has no objection. No senior staff member has objected to signature. Frank and I recommend that you sign the bill.

DECISION

Sign H.R. 8471 (recommended)
 Veto H.R. 8471

*Write letter
to Governor - tell
him I served on
the Wyoming in
1946-47 - let
me sign J*

CAMP DAVID

9/7/78
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Mr. President:

The House just upheld your defense
veto by a 206 to 191 vote - a clear majority.
This was much better than anyone imagined.

Phil