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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 23, 1988

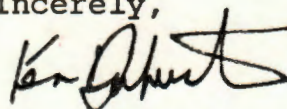
Dear Dr. Folk:

Many thanks for your letter concerning the Civil Liberties Act of 1987. I will be sure to pass your thoughts along to the appropriate officials here.

I appreciate hearing your views on the bill.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



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to the President

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June 17, 1988

Mr. Kenneth Duberstein
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Dear Mr. Duberstein:

I write to urge you to counsel the President to sign the Civil Liberties Act of 1987 (HR 442).

The American Lutheran Church, the Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches and the Lutheran Church in America, the churches which merged to form the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, all recognized the injustice of interning 120,000 United States citizens on purely ethnic grounds. As a young intern in Los Angeles, I came to know a Japanese family who had been interned, since their son was in my confirmation class. This was my first awareness of this unjust internment and I found it shocking.

I am very grateful that the Congress has passed HR 442 and urge the President to sign it.

Sincerely,

Jerry Folk, Th. D.
Executive Director

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