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December 26, 1986

The President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I would appreciate your response to the following comments which I made at the Second Annual Conference of Openly Gay and Lesbian Elected and Appointed Officials held in Washington, D.C. November 21-23, 1986.

OUR NATION IS FACED WITH THE PROSPECT OF THE WORST MEDICAL EMERGENCY IN OUR HISTORY -- AIDS. IT WILL GO UNCHECKED UNLESS OUR GOVERNMENT ACTS TO IMPLEMENT EDUCATION AND RESEARCH EFFORTS.

BOTH AS A GAY MAN AND A REPUBLICAN, I AM APPALLED AT PRESIDENT REAGAN'S APPARENT LACK OF SENSITIVITY TO THIS ISSUE.

PEOPLE WITH AIDS OR AIDS RELATED COMPLEX. AND THOSE PEOPLE PERCEIVED TO BE AT HIGH RISK FOR AIDS, HAVE LOST THEIR JOBS, THEIR HOMES AND THEIR RIGHTS TO GO TO SCHOOL.

MR. PRESIDENT YOU HAVE NOT RESPONDED.

ORGANIZATIONS AND GOVERNMENTS HAVE INSTITUTED MANDATORY HIV TESTING IN ORDER TO DISCRIMINATE AGAINST THOSE TESTING POSITIVE.

MR. PRESIDENT YOU HAVE NOT RESPONDED.

RESEARCH AND EDUCATIONAL EFFORTS HAVE BEEN STYMIED AS A RESULT OF INSUFFICIENT FUNDING.

MR. PRESIDENT YOU HAVE NOT RESPONDED.

THIS NATION IS UNDERGOING A MASSIVE ANTI-GAY BACKLASH AND AIDS-HSTERIA BECAUSE OF THE AIDS CRISIS, WITH ESCALATING ATTACKS AGAINST GAY MEN AND LESBIANS.

MR. PRESIDENT YOU HAVE NOT RESPONDED.

PEOPLE HAVE DIED, AND PEOPLE ARE DYING FROM AIDS. MR. PRESIDENT, AGAIN, YOU HAVE NOT RESPONDED.

NOW IS THE TIME FOR YOU TO ASSUME THE LEADERSHIP ROLE TO ERADICATE THIS DISEASE; TO CARE FOR THOSE WHO HAVE IT; AND TO PROVIDE NON-HOMOPHOBIC, GAY-POSITIVE EDUCATION TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF AIDS.

MR. PRESIDENT, NOT ONLY DO YOU NEED TO RESPOND TO THE AIDS CRISIS, YOU NEED TO ACT.

Sincerely

Robert J. Ebersole Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Treasurer

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