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WASHINGTON

November 23, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD A. HAUSER

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Tournament of the Roses Parade (Draft Presidential Tapings)

Richard Darman has asked that comments on the above-referenced remarks be sent directly to Ben Elliott by noon today. The brief remarks promote voluntarism, the theme of this year's Rose Bowl parade. I have reviewed the remarks and have no objections.

Attachment

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MEMORANDUM FOR BEN ELLIOTT

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FROM:

FRED F. FIELDING Orig. signed by FFF

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#### REMARKS

PLEASE FORWARD ANY EDITS/COMMENTS DIRECTLY TO BEN ELLIOTT, WITH A COPY TO MY OFFICE, BY 12:00 NOON TOMORROW. THANK YOU.

**RESPONSE:** 

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(Parvin/BE) November 22, 1983 5:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: TOURNAMENT OF THE ROSES PARADE MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1983

Happy New Year to all of you watching the Tournament of Roses Parade. The theme this year is voluntarism and it's one that is very close to my heart.

The historian Daniel Boorstin has explained how this continent was settled, and although he may not have realized it, he also explained the motivation behind voluntarism. He wrote, "... groups moving westward organized into communities in order to conquer great distances, to help one another drag their wagons uphill or across streams . . . and for a hundred other purposes . . . they dared not wait for government to establish its machinery. If the services that elsewhere were performed by governments were to be performed at all, it would have to be by private initiative." This frontier spirit made us a strong, self-reliant people. It also made us a good and caring people.

New Year's is a day for Americans to be filled with hope, enthusiasm and high spirits, as this parade exemplifies. I believe 1984 holds great promise for our blessed land -- and especially if we help each other by our voluntary efforts. New Year's traditionally is a time to make resolutions. I hope each of us this year will make a resolution to become involved in helping our fellow citizens.

God bless you all in 1984.

WASHINGTON

December 12, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Taping: Hillsdale College Dinner

Honoring Jeane Kirkpatrick

Richard Darman has asked that comments on the abovereferenced draft remarks be sent directly to Ben Elliott by
noon today. This draft is essentially identical to a draft
we cleared on December 2. Our memorandum on that draft
noted no legal objection, although it did provide background
concerning Hillsdale College's involvement in the Grove City
case before the Supreme Court. The attached draft simply
refers Elliott to our prior memorandum.

Attachment

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December 2, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR BEN ELLIOTT

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Presidential Taping: Hillsdale College

Dinner Honoring Jeane Kirkpatrick

Monday, December 5, 1983 (12/1/83); 5:30 p.m.

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Thank you.

**RESPONSE:** 

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(Rohrabacher/BE)
December 9, 1983
3:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: HILLSDALE COLLEGE DINNER HONORING
JEANE KIRKPATRICK
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1983

Ambassador Kirkpatrick, President Roche, distinguished guests, fellow admirers of Hillsdale College, fellow friends of freedom:

It is a great pleasure to share in your tribute to an individual contributing so much to the defense of human freedom, an individual I admire and rely heavily upon -- Ambassador Jeane Kirkpatrick.

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Monday, December 5, 1983 (12/1/83; 5:30 p.m.)

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## WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 12/1/83

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(Rohrabacher/BE)
December 1, 1983
5:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: HILLSDALE COLLEGE DINNER HONORING JEANE KIRKPATRICK MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1983

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Ambassador Kirkpatrick is also a role model for American women who choose a public career. The vision, courage, and statesmanship contributed to the free world by women like Margaret Thatcher and Golda Meir have now been matched by Ambassador Kirkpatrick, one of our own.

She is a splendid lady, a patriotic Democrat, and an exceptional asset to this Administration.

It is said that Benjamin Franklin once suggested that our national bird ought not to be the eagle but, instead, the turkey. There have been times in the United Nations when those who wish America no good have treated this country, its interests, and its representatives as if Franklin's suggestion had been implemented. Today, with Jeane Kirkpatrick at her post, the American eagle again commands respect.

We are no longer flagellating ourselves before the world.

We are no longer immobilized by self-doubt. Our system is far from perfect. But it provides a higher standard of living, more democracy and political and personal freedom than any other. We have much to be proud of, we should offer no apologies to regimes that force tyranny and deprivation down the throats of their own people.

We, the American people, are carrying a heavy responsibility. If liberty is to survive, if the forces of totalitarianism are to be thwarted in their attempts to expand

their grip on mankind, much will depend on us. Today, our commitment to this vital task has been reinvigorated and the forces of tyranny are on the defensive.

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SUBJECT:

Presidential Tapings -- 12th Annual

Martin Luther King Dinner

Richard Darman has asked that comments be sent directly to Ben Elliott by noon today on the above-referenced draft remarks. The remarks praise the contributions of both Martin Luther King, Jr., and the Minority Economic Resources Corporation. The latter is a private-sector organization dedicated to promoting the hiring of minorities.

The first two sentences on page 2 contain three errors.
"Earlier this year" should be changed to "late last year."
"Beginning in 1985" is inaccurate; Public Law 98-144,
creating the King holiday, takes effect "on the first
January 1 that occurs after the two-year period following
the date of the enactment of this Act," i.e., 1986.
Finally, the Nation will celebrate the third Monday in
January, not January 15, as Martin Luther King, Jr. day.
These corrections are noted in the attached draft memorandum
for Elliott.

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PRESIDENTIAL TAPING: 12th ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING DINNER THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1984

Reverend Brooks, members and guests of the Minority Economic Resources Corporation: I'm delighted to join you in honoring a great American, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Martin Luther King was born in America where, because of the color of their skin, nearly one in ten lived lives that were separate and unequal. Most black Americans were taught in segregated schools. Across the country, many could find only poor jobs, toiling for low wages. Our Nation proclaimed "liberty and justice for all," but it denied it to many.

In the face of that injustice, Dr. King made equality of rights his life's work. Across the country he organized boycotts, rallies and marches. Often he was beaten and imprisoned, but he went on, sustained by his vision. "I have a dream," he said, "that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slaveowners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood." In 1964, Dr. King became the youngest man in history to win the Nobel Peace Prize.

When he was gunned down by an assassin in 1968, he was only 39. But those 39 years had changed America forever. Equal rights had been written into law. And there was more than a change of law, there was a change of heart. Across the land, people had begun to treat each other not as blacks and whites, but as fellow Americans.

Earlier this year, Coretta King, Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr., and other members of the King family joined me at the White House as I signed a historic bill into law. Beginning in 1985, our Nation will celebrate every January 15 as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. It will be a day not only to recall Dr. King, but to rededicate ourselves to the great labor of equality for which he lived and died.

You at the Minority Economic Resources Corporation are carrying on that labor, and you inspire us all. You work with more than 40 major corporations in the Chicago area to help minorities get jobs, training, housing, and business contracts. I understand that in just the first 9 months of last year, you found jobs for 963 people, including 110 youths between the ages of 16 and 21.

Our Administration has always urged private groups and businesses to help minorities, and you're leading the way, showing how we can foster working relationships between minorities and businesses to the benefit of both.

If all of us show the same dedication as the Minority

Economic Resources Corporation, then we will see the day when Dr.

King's dream comes true, and in his words, "...all of God's

children will be able to sing with new meaning...'land of the

Pilgrims' pride, from every mountain side, let freedom ring.'"

Thank you, and God bless you all.

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MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Presidential Radio Talk: Violence in Schools -- Saturday, January 7, 1984

Richard Darman has asked that comments on the abovereferenced draft remarks be sent directly to Ben Elliott by 10:00 a.m. today. The remarks focus on classroom violence, citing statistics from a 1978 National Institute of Education report. The remarks announce several federal initiatives, including establishment of a National School Safety Center at the Department of Justice that will publish handbooks informing teachers of their legal rights in dealing with disruptive students. In the remarks the President announces that he has "directed the Justice Department to file court briefs to help shoool administrators enforce discipline." I have no objection to such a general direction, but recommend that the phrase "when appropriate" be added not only to help forestall criticism of Presidential "interference" with litigation decisions but also to give the Department some flexibility in responding to what I suspect will be many requests for intervention.

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The attached has gone forward to the President. Please provide comments/edits directly to Ben Elliott in room 100 by 10:00 a.m. TOMORROW, FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 1984, with an information copy to my office.

Thank you.

RESPONSE:

(Robinson/BE)
January 5, 1984
6:30 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL RADIO TALK: VIOLENCE IN SCHOOLS SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1984

My fellow Americans: This is my first radio talk in 1984, so Happy New Year. My prayer for you this new year is that you and your families will prosper in health and happiness.

When I spoke to you last Saturday, on New Year's Eve, I made one request to everyone: When we drive, let's drive sober.

Well, I was delighted to hear some very heartening news from Transportation Secretary Elizabeth Dole. Last New Year's weekend was the safest on our highways in 35 years. Our efforts to keep drunk, violent drivers off the road are beginning to show progress.

Today I want to talk about a subject which also deals with violence, and is on our minds as the holidays end and our children go back to school: the problem of classroom discipline.

The sad truth is, many classrooms across the country are not temples of learning -- teaching the lessons of goodwill, civility and wisdom important to the whole fabric of American life. Many schools are filled with rude, unruly behavior and even violence.

According to a 1978 report by the National Institute of Education, each month 3 million secondary school children were victims of in-school crime. I don't mean ordinary hi-jinks, I mean <u>crime</u>. Each month, some 2½ million students were the victims of robberies and thefts, and more than 25,000 students suffered physical attacks. In cities, the problem was so bad that almost 8 percent of urban junior and senior high school

students missed at least one day in the classroom per month.

They were afraid to go to school. And a study released this year says these figures I've just given for 1978 probably understate the problem today.

In 1950, the arrest rate for youths under 18 was 200 arrests per 100,000 youths. By 1977, the most recent year for which figures are available, the arrest rate had risen to 6,500 per 100,000. That's an increase of over 3,000 percent. It's clear our young people are taking too little care of themselves and doing too much harm to others.

Just as school violence affects our sons and daughters, it also affects their teachers. The 1978 National Institute of Education study found that each month some 6,000 teachers were robbed. About 125,000 a month were threatened with physical harm, and at least 1,000 teachers were assaulted with violence so severe they required medical care. One psychiatrist who treats teachers says many of them suffer symptoms identical to those of World War I shell-shock victims — it's that bad.

Today, American children need good education more than ever.
But we can't get learning back into our schools until we get the crime and violence out. It's not a question of anyone asking for a police state. It's just that, as Albert Shanker of the American Federation of Teachers put it, "We are not going to get people interested in English or mathematics or social studies and languages unless we solve discipline problems and take out of our schools those students who prevent teachers from teaching."

Today I'm asking Americans to renew our commitment to school discipline. Here at the national level, we're directing the Federal Government to do all it can to help parents, teachers, and administrators restore order to the classroom. The Department of Education will study ways to prevent school violence, publicize examples of effective school discipline, continue its joint project with the National Institute of Justice to find better ways for localities to use their resources to prevent school crime, and sponsor hearings on school discipline across the country.

The Department of Justice will establish a National School Safety Center. This center will publish handbooks informing teachers and other officials of their legal rights in dealing with disruptive students and put together a computerized national clearing house for school safety resources. I've also directed the Justice Department to file court briefs to help school administrators enforce discipline.

But despite the importance of these efforts, we can't make progress without help from superintendents and principals, teachers, parents, and students themselves. I wish I could tell you all the stories I've heard of schools that have been turned around by determined local efforts. Principal Joseph Clark of Eastside High School in Paterson, New Jersey, expelled 300 troublemakers. The year before, only 55 percent of Eastside's ninth graders had passed a basic math test. The year after, 82 percent passed.

At Southwestern High in Detroit, once one of the city's most violent schools, firm discipline has raised the attendance rate from 53 to almost 87 percent. And in my home state of California, at Sacramento's El Camino High, a discipline compact between parents and the school has helped achievement levels soar.

So please: If you have discipline problems at your school, find out what you can do to help. By working together, we can restore good order to America's classrooms and give our sons and daughters the education they deserve.

Until next week, thanks for listening and God bless you.