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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DC 20500

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DEAR MR PRESIDENT,

THE ANTI-DEFAMATION LEAGUE OF BINAL BIRITH EXTEND ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU FOR HAVING SELECTED FOR THE US SUPREME COURT A HIGHLY QUALIFIED PERSON WHO HAPPENS TO BE A FEMALE. THIS IS FULLY CONSONANT WITH YOUR COMMITMENT TO MERIT AND TO BE ABHORRENT OF DISCRIMINATION. IN ONE STROKE YOU HAVE WISELY AND EFFECTIVELY SERVED QUALITY IN GOVERNMENT AND SHATTERED A LONGSTANDING PATTERN OF SEX DISCRIMINATION. SINCERELY.

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 15, 1981

Ms. Lois McLaughlin President National Council of Women of the United States 777 United Nations Plaza New York, NY 10017

Dear Ms. McLaughlin:

Thank you for communicating your support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues that can benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Quint Counsellor to the Special Assistant

Ms. Lois McLaughlin President National Council of Women of the United States 777 United Nations Plaza New York, NY 10017 LOIS MCLAUGHLIN<PRESIDENT<NATION
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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DC 20500

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CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR DESIGNATION OF JUDGE SANDRA OCONNOR AS APPOINTEE TO SUPREME COURT. SHE IS OUTSTANDING LEGISLATOR, OBJECTIVE, ADMIRABLY FAIR, HAS BROAD SCOPE AND UNDERSTANDING WILL WORK FOR JUSTICE FOR ALL, AS COUNCIL OF 26 ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTING CONSTITUENCY OF OVER 20 MILLION WE ADMIRE YOUR KEEPING PROMISE TO SELECT A WOMAN FOR THIS POST

LOIS MCLAUGHLIN

PRESIDENT

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF THE UNITED STATES

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### United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

July 6, 1981

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

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing to recommend to you James E. Barrett, judge of the U.S. 10th Circuit Court of Appeals, for consideration for appointment to the United States Supreme Court. He has served with distinction on that appellate tribunal, which includes Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Kansas and Oklahoma, for nearly ten years, before which he was the Attorney General for the State of Wyoming and a successful practicing attorney. Not only is he a highly skilled, diligent and dedicated legal scholar, but he also embodies the philosophies and principles of your administration.

Judge Barrett is a jurist of proven excellence, a legal scholar of real insight and a citizen of exemplary integrity and genuine concern. It is our firm belief that James E. Barrett would make a superb Justice of the United States Supreme Court. We ask that you give him every consideration.

Most sincerely,

Malcolm Wallop United States Senator Alan K. Simpson United States Senator Dick Cheney

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PRESIDENT REAGAN
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THE CONGRESS OF FILIPINO AMERICAN CITIZENS LAUDS YOUR APPOINTMENT OF SANDRA O'CONNOR TO THE U.S. SUPREME COURT

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 29, 1981

Dear Ms. Mermonstein:

Thank you for communicating the National Ladies Auxiliary of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States' support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues which will benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Mary Elysbeth Zunt

Mary Elizabeth Quint Counsellor to the Special Assistant

Ms. Evelyn Mermonstein
National President
National Ladies Auxiliary of the Jewish
War Veterans of the United States
1712 New Hampshire Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20009

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DC 20500

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WE APPLAUD AND COMMEND YOUR DECISION TO NOMINATE SANDRA OF CONNOR TO THE SUPREME COURT WE CONGRATULATE YOU ON BEING THE FIRST PRESIDENT TO APPOINT A WOMAN TO THE COURT

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 24, 1981

Dear Ms. Nicholas:

Thank you for communicating the National Association of Commissions for Women's support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues which will benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth Quint Counsellor to the Special Assitant

Ms. Mary Burke Nicholas
President
National Association of Commissions
for Women
1350 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

MARY BURKE NICHOLAS PRESIDENT NA 1350 AVE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK NY 10019



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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DC 20500

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Diana Ladous

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COMMISSIONS FOR WOMEN JUST RECENTLY URGED YOU TO APPOINT A WOMAN TO THE SUPREME COURT. WE ARE VERY PLEASED THAT YOU HAVE NOMINATED AN OUTSTANDING WOMAN SANDRA O'CONNOR, YOU HAVE MADE A HISTORIC APPOINTMENT AND WE ARE VERY PROUD AND HOPE THAT SHE WILL HAVE A SPEEDY CONFIRMATION

MARY BURKE NICHOLAS PRESIDENT NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COMMISSIONS

1350 AVE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK NY 10019

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 15, 1981

Dear Ms. Purcell:

Thank you for communicating your support of Judge Sandra O'Connor to President Reagan. The President appreciates your concurrence with his thinking that Judge O'Connor has all the qualifications necessary to be an excellent Supreme Court Justice.

We look forward to working with you on many issues that can benefit from cooperation between organizations such as yours and the Reagan Administration.

Sincerely,

Mary E. Quint Counsellor to the Special Assistant

Ms. Mary H. Purcell President American Association of University Women 2401 Virginia Avenue, N.W. Washington, D. C. 20037 AMERICAN ASSN OF UNIV WOMEN N BE 2401 VIRGINIA AVE NORTHWEST WASHINGTON DC 20037



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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON DC 20500

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- Diana Lozono

ON BEHALF OF THE 190,000 MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN, THE OLDEST AND LARGEST ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN, LET ME CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE NOMINATION OF SANDRA D O'CONNOR TO SERVE AS JUSTICE ON THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.

MS O'CONNOR'S RECORD AS A JURIST IS ONE WHICH LIVES UP TO YOUR PROMISE TO APPOINT TO OUR HIGHEST COURT THE MOST QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL FOR THE JOE. SHE HAS RECEIVED TOP RATINGS FOR HER JUDICIAL SKILLS BY THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION. HER DISTINGUISHED SCHOLASTIC RECORD AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY FURTHER UNDERSCORES THE LEGAL TALENT MS O'CONNOR WOULD BRING TO THE COURT. AS A LEGISLATOR IN ARIZONA SHE DEMONSTRATED HER COMMITMENT TO FAIR AND REASONED PUBLIC SERVICE.

YOU HAVE OUR FULL SUPPORT IN THIS APPOINTMENT, IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT WE COMMEND YOU ON THIS HISTORIC ACT OF NAMING A MOST QUALIFIED WOMAN TO SERVE ON THE HIGHEST COURT OF THE LAND.

MARY H PURCELL
PRESIDENT
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

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July 3, 1981

The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan President of the United States The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Mr. President:

I urge you to appoint a woman to the current vacancy on the United States Supreme Court.

Realizing that members of the Senate alone will consider the merits, the prejudices, the capabilities of your nominee; I take this limited opportunity to prevail upon your eventual decision.

The first Supreme Court Justice John Jay was appointed in 1789. During the ensuing 192 years, 103 other people have been appointed. As all America is aware, not one of those appointments was a woman.

Why? Perhaps it does little good for this purpose to invoke the various possible reasons for exclusion. Certainly, Mr. President, lack of competence and merit are not among them. Through the years female lawyers and jurists have met and surpassed the requirements for excellence.

I propose, Mr. President, that you consider two criterion in your selection process. First, of course, is competence—technical qualifications. Your nominee should have the ability to fully deal with the complexities of the law. Judicial merit must of course include honesty, both personal and intellectual; and community stature. Additionally, I would include in my definition of merit the following two items. First, a sensitivity to individual liberties. Second, a demonstrated understanding that government is individuals acting collectively.



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By the way, Mr. President, I believe you will find it generally fruitless to base your appointment on the person's announced political philosophy in an attempt to move the court to either the right or the left. Other presidents before you have generally found that attempt futile in the lessons of busing, abortion, rights of the accused and the limits of presidential power.

The second qualification I respectfully suggest to you is that the nominee be a woman. I personally believe it is a sound idea for all Presidents to give consideration to the nominee's race, religion, residency and sex. Intellectual mix alone is insufficient.

The notion that all appointments to the Court have been made solely "on the merits", is incorrect. Of course, the past nominees have, almost unanimously, been competent and meritorious persons. They have also been of varied religions, races, and from various places. Those facts played a part in their selection. Such considerations are justified because they result in justices in whom Americans have a sense of confidence.

The social identities of the justices is very important. That has been demonstrated time and again in many of the Court's landmark decisions. The broader the Court's representation the better it can withstand the buffeting from popular decisions. The broader the representation the more true will be the reflection of the American population and thus the more humane will be the Court's decisions.

Is there a black seat or Catholic seat or a Jewish seat on the Court? I think not. But the Court and the country are better because a black and a Catholic and a Jew have sat as justices. Likewise, all Americans will be better served when a woman sits on the Supreme Court.

I accept the proposition that the Court is not a representative body as, for example, is the Congress. However, that does not preclude full consideration of the social identities of the various potential nominees.

It is the identity of the justices which helps the public to give reason to and show confidence in the Court's decisions. The southerner, Justice Frankfurter, made the Brown vs. Board of Education decision more convincing--not just for his fellow southerners but for all of us. Likewise a woman justice participating in, say, an abortion decision would bring new meaning to it.

The Honorable Ronald W. Reagan Page Three

Mr. President, in your selection of a justice the merit test is very important. I ask that you apply that test, at this unique moment in history, to women. 192 years is long enough for this country to have lost the benefit of a woman on the Supreme Court.

Best regards.

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 30, 1981

Dear Mr. Weston:

Thank you for your letter of July 6, 1981 to the President recommending the Honorable Cliff Wallace to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Court of the United States created by the announcement of the retirement of Associate Justice Potter Stewart.

As you are probably aware, the President has announced his intention to nominate the Honorable Sandra D. O'Connor for the position. The President was presented with a most difficult decision, as there were many extremely well qualified individuals to consider.

We very much appreciate your time and concern in writing to the President regarding this important appointment and bringing the outstanding attributes of Cliff Wallace to his attention.

Sincerely,

Fred F. Fielding

Counsel to the President

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July 6, 1981

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Honorable Ronald Reagan President of the United States White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. President:

I have read in the newspapers that your selection for Supreme Court Justice has been narrowed to two people, one of whom is Cliff Wallace. I would like, if I may, to make a personal statement in support of Cliff Wallace.

I have been aware of Cliff Wallace's legal career since his admission to the California Bar and especially since his elevation to the federal bench. I have known Cliff Wallace since 1952 when he was my debate partner at San Diego State College. During the entire time I have known him I have perceived him to be a man of extraordinary intelligence and unquestioned integrity.

I believe his elevation to the Supreme Court would do honor to the Court.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Weston

Deputy Attorney General