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HAYOR'S OFFICE

Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze Mayor of Cleveland City Hall Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mayor:

It was a great pleasure for me to take part in the program of the annual conference of the United States Conference of Mayors. I was very glad to have another invitation to be with you, since illness prevented my attendance last year. Both Mrs. Kennedy and I want to thank you for helping to make our stay in Miami Beach so enjoyable.

I am hopeful that the next Congress will enact more of the legislation so greatly needed by our municipal governments. I would be delighted to hear from you at any time regarding your ideas on issues before the Congress which affect our nation's cities.

Thank you again for your hospitality. It was good to see you in Miami Beach, and I hope I shall see you soon again.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

John F. Kennedy

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WASHINGTON

June 8, 1961

Dear Mayor Celebrezze:

I wish to express my sincere thanks for the framed tribute by the Mayors of America that reached my office recently. To be honored in this manner pleased me very much and I hope you will convey to all participants my deep gratitude.

With appreciation and every good wish,

Sincerely,

The Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze Mayor of Cleveland Cleveland, Ohio

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

June 23, 1961

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I want to express my personal appreciation for your leadership in organizing the Mayors of America Unity Program. The response shown by the long list of mayors who are participating in it is most encouraging.

I hope that you will convey my thanks to each of the many city officials who have joined in this endeavor.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Andrew York of the Sun.

Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze Mayor of Cleveland

Cleveland, Ohio

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

October 1, 1962

Dear Mr. Secretary:

The distinguished membership of The President's Commission on the Status of Women is evidence of significant interest in its purposes. I am grateful that you can follow your predecessor, Honorable Abraham A. Ribicoff, as one of the members of the Commission. Your broad experience and special responsibilities as Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare will be a vital factor in assuring the important results that should be achieved.

I am enclosing a copy of my statement to the press at the time of establishment of the Commission, as well as a copy of the Executive Order.

Sincerely,

Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON

January 8, 1963

Dear Mr. Secretary:

It was certainly kind of you and Mrs. Celebrezze to remember Mrs. Kennedy and me with a gallon of — pure maple syrup from Ohio. We very much appreciated your thoughtfulness in providing this special treat for our holiday enjoyment.

Mrs. Kennedy joins me in extending warm thanks and every good wish for the New Year to you and your family.

Sincerely,

The Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze
Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare
Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON

April 1, 1963

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In my recent special message on "Aiding Our Senior Citizens," I advised the Congress that you would expand the efforts of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in supplying consumers -- especially those in the higher age brackets -- with information which will enable them to make more informed choices in purchasing foods and drugs. Fraudulent, deceitful, or grossly misleading advertising, labeling, or other such practices, as described in the recent hearings by Senator McNamara and his Special Committee on Aging, should not be tolerated.

In addition to diligent enforcement measures on the part of governmental agencies, an effective consumer education and information program is needed not only to help correct present abuses but to put into the hands of consumers vital public information on foods and drugs that has been accumulated by Government agencies. This information should be freely available. Every citizen should be able to base his decisions in the market place on facts, without any distortions, exaggerations, or other misleading information. Our older citizens, in particular, can ill afford to have their meager resources drained by useless or, even worse, injurious medicines and other products. To meet this need, I ask that you undertake appropriate means to strengthen the existing consumer education programs conducted by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

I believe your Department should also conduct a comprehensive study and evaluation of the complex economic and technical forces which influence the availability and price of drugs. Drug therapy is now an indispensable component of modern medical care. Yet we have an inadequate understanding of the research, production, and marketing factors which govern the availability and pricing of drugs. Senator Kefauver and the other members of the Senate Judiciary Committee have already made a valuable study of these factors. It would be helpful to further advance this inquiry. Improved understanding of this vital aspect of health care will ultimately result in major benefits to all consumers.

Sincerely,

Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON

July 10, 1963

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In the meeting of America's leading educators in the White House on June 19, I urged an all-out attack on the student dropout problem this summer. The response of the educators has been enthusiastic, and a group of superintendents of schools and school board presidents from 28 large cities plans to meet in Washington on Saturday, July 13, to discuss with the Commissioner of Education and other Federal officials what might be done in the way of a summer campaign.

Many cities are contemplating major efforts to make a success of this program. This will require difficult straining of budgets, rearrangements of schedules, and voluntary effort. It is essential that the Federal Government show an equal willingness to help this campaign on such short notice. I hope that your Department will make a special effort to assist in this summer campaign.

I hope that you or an appropriate department official will be able to be present for the meeting on the 13th and that representatives from each of the Federal programs which might cooperate will also attend with concrete suggestions as to how funds and cooperation from their programs could be used on short notice this summer.

Sincerely,

Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare Washington 25, D.C.

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

August 14, 1963

Dear Tony:

Mrs. Kennedy and I were most grateful to you and Mrs. Celebrezze for your kind message during our recent loss.

Your personal expression was a source of strength and encouragement to us both.

Sincerely,

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Honorable Anthony Celebrezze
Department of Health, Education,
and Welfare
Washington, D.C.

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AS AN OFFICER OF THE JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY LIBRARY AND ON BEHALF OF THE FAMILY, I EXTEND TO YOU AN INVITATION TO SERVE AS A TRUSTEE OF THE LIBRARY CORPORATION. WE WOULD DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE AND GUIDANCE DURING THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE BUILDING SO THAT IT MAY BE GIVEN OVER TO THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO BE MAINTAINED AS A PERMANENT AND ACTIVE LIBRARY AND MEMORIAL TO THE LATE PRESIDENT.

YOUR PROMPT REPLY TO THIS INVITATION WILL BE HELPFUL

AS WE SHOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THE TRUSTEES SHORTLY. SINCERELY

ROBERT F KENNEDY

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647 FIFTH AVENUE

June 15, 1970

It is with the deepest appreciation that I write

thanking you for the time and effort you have devoted to the oral history interviews for the John F. Kennedy Library.

Your contribution will -- in future years -- be of the utmost importance to those compiling a history of the President's administration, and I shall always be grateful to you for the part you have played in this project.

Sincerely,

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JOHN F KENNEDY .

fersonal fle files THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON July 27, 1962 Dear Mr. Secretary: I would be most appreciative if you would see to it that your calendar is kept clear from Labor Day through Election Day, November 6th. We expect to have the President's campaign schedule pretty well firmed up shortly and, following this, a suggested itinerary for you will be submitted to you. This program is being coordinated through the National Committee, and I hope that we can count on your cooperation in order to get the maximum benefit from political appearances of top Administration officials this fall. Sincerely, Special Assistant to the President Honorable Anthony J. Celebrezze The Secretary of Health, Education & Welfare Washington, D. C. O'DONNELL, KENNETH

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

May 6, 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR

SECRETARY CELEBREZZE

There seems to be some speculation that we have abandoned health insurance for this year. While it may be that events will not permit legislative action in 1963 I believe we should proceed on the assumption that we are attempting to secure it. The failure then will not be ours.

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THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

July 26, 1963

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MEMORANDUM FOR

Secretary Celebrezze

I have discussed with the President the current situation with regard to education in Prince Edward County, Virginia. The President read the July 3 memo from Commissioner Keppel and directed that his personal concern about the situation be communicated to those responsible for setting up a satisfactory program in the county. I know that there is a strong desire on the part of the Department to see to it that this problem is resolved properly and satisfactorily but did want to make clear the President's deep personal interest.

Lee C. White

Assistant Special Counsel to the President