

March 27, 1996

Honorable Elizabeth Furse House of Representatives 316 Cannon Building Washington, D.C. 20515-3701

Dear Elizabeth:

It was wonderful to have the opportunity to meet with you and Marie while we were in town this month for the National Community Action Foundation's Legislative Conference. We appreciate your support of our work and your concern for the needs of low income people.

Through David Bradley, Executive Director of the National Community Action Foundation, our national network is continuing to work to build bi-partisan support for community action and to try and reverse the trend of eroding support to our programs, including Weatherization, LIHEAP, CSBG, and Head Start, to name a few. We left our conference feeling very encouraged and hopeful that the poor will have a place in our national agenda.

Thank you for giving us some of your precious time. We will stay in touch and wish you the very best.

Sincerely,

Cindy Hirst

Board Chair

Jerralynn Ness

Executive Director



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Mr. Patrick S. Atagi, Legislative Assistant to Senator Mark Hatfield 711 Hart Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Patrick:

It was a pleasure to have the opportunity to meet with you while we were in town this month for the National Community Action Foundation's Legislative Conference. We appreciate your support of our work and your concern for the needs of low income people.

Through David Bradley, Executive Director of the National Community Action Foundation, our national network is continuing to work to build bi-partisan support for community action and to try and reverse the trend of eroding support to our programs, including Weatherization, LIHEAP, CSBG, and Head Start, to name a few. We left our conference feeling very encouraged and hopeful that the poor will have a place in our national agenda. Senator Hatfield's presentation and his long standing support continues to be a great inspiration to us.

Thank you for your kind attention. We will keep you informed of our issues.

Sincerely,

Cindy Hyrst Board Chair Jerralynn Ness Executive Director



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Senator Ron Wyden 259 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-3701

Dear Ron:

It was wonderful to have the opportunity to meet with you and Carolyn while we were in town this month for the National Community Action Foundation's Legislative Conference. We appreciate your support of our work and your concern for the needs of low income people.

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Senator Mark Hatfield 711 Hart Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hatfield:

It gave us great pride to have you speak at the National Community Action Foundation's Legislative Conference this month. Your never ending support of our work and your commitment to the needs of low income people has always been a source of inspiration for us in Oregon and throughout the community action world. Thank you for taking time out of your very demanding schedule to address our group.

David Bradley, Executive Director of the National Community Action Foundation, holds you in the highest of regard. Through his efforts, our national network is continuing to build bi-partisan support for community action and reverse the trend of eroding support to our programs, including Weatherization, LIHEAP, CSBG, and Head Start, to name a few. We left our conference feeling very encouraged and hopeful that the poor will have a place in our national agenda. We also left somewhat saddened that we will lose a very dear friend in the Senate.

We are grateful for all that you have done and continue to do and will always consider you to be one of the best friends community action has ever had. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Cindy Harst Board Chair Jerralynn Ness

Executive Director