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October 22, 1993

Ms. Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President
for Domestic Policy
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

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Dear Ms. Rasco:

I am writing on behalf of the American Home Economics Association (AHEA) to thank you for addressing our state presidents during lunch on September 27, 1993. The domestic policy issues you addressed are among the highest priorities of our members. We are so pleased to know that President Clinton has also given them high priority.

Your presentation was enthusiastically received and inspired an even stronger commitment from our members to support the President's domestic policies. The home economists you addressed are leaders in their profession in every state. You can be sure your message will be heard by thousands of home economists who support President Clinton's objectives for strengthening families.

In fact, AHEA's mission is stated in terms of effecting "the optimum well-being of families and individuals." Home economists are addressing our nation's most critical and chronic social and economic problems through thousands of school and community-based programs in every state every day. The issues being addressed have been identified as critical to the future of our nation by the Administration and many others. They include providing opportunities for every American to obtain the best possible education, the best possible job, and to learn how to use whatever resources are available to them to improve their quality of life.

Home economists teach life and work skills to youth and adults, both male and female, precisely the skills that are needed to prevent many of our current social and economic problems -- and precisely the skills that strengthen families and can help to ensure President Clinton's domestic policy objectives are met.

Home economists are on the "front lines," both observing and offering solutions to prevent problems that weaken families, our economy and our nation. They support improving our health care, welfare and educational systems, and coordinating government programs to serve consumers better at less cost.

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Home economists are among your richest human resources in helping to develop and support domestic policies that are compassionate, effective and economically sound. Our members are eager to help the President develop and implement family policies that prevent problems and strengthen our nation.

We were pleased to support Dr. Joycelyn Elders for Surgeon General because we support many of her objectives for children, families and health.

Thank you for taking time from your demanding schedule to address our Association's leaders. We sincerely appreciate it. Emily Oates is one of the leaders in our profession whom we hold in very high esteem. Emily, and others like her, have been instrumental in helping thousands of people improve their quality of life in immeasurable ways. She epitomizes the efforts of thousands of home economists to "effect the optimum well-being of families and individuals."

We look forward to a continuing and mutually supportive working relationship with you. Please let us know when we can be helpful.

Sincerely,



Ann Collins Chadwick
Director
Professional Development/Public Policy

ACC/cp

cc: Barbara Taylor
President

Mary Jane Kolar
Executive Director

Carol Hampton Rasco
Domestic Policy Advisor to The President

Carol Hampton Rasco, Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy, is a native Arkansan who worked with President Bill Clinton in the Arkansas Governor's office for ten years.

As the President's chief domestic policy advisor, Ms. Rasco supervises and coordinates the work of the White House staff of the President's Domestic Policy Council. She also serves on the Department of Education's National Education Goals Panel.

In Arkansas, Ms. Rasco was Governor Clinton's Senior Executive Assistant responsible for the staff and operations of the Governor's office. From 1985 through 1992, she was Governor Clinton's Liaison to the National Governors' Association. During this period, she worked closely with the NGA's Washington staff both during Governor Clinton's Chairmanship and while he was lead Governor on welfare reform, child care and health care reform.

Before moving to her job in the White House, Ms. Rasco served on the National Board of the Home Instruction Program for Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY), a program of the National Council of Jewish Women; the Board of Little Rock New Futures, an Annie E. Casey Foundation Project; and the Little Rock School District Special Education Parent Advisory Committee.

Carol received a bachelor's degree from the University of Arkansas and earned a master's from the University of Central Arkansas. She has taught in the public school system and established a psychological counseling program in the middle school in Bryant, Arkansas.

Prior to joining Governor Clinton's staff in 1983, Carol worked extensively as a volunteer in Arkansas with arts organizations, disability advocacy groups and the United Methodist Church.

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FAX COVER LETTER

DATE: 9/22/93

TO: NAME Rosalyn Miller

ORGANIZATION Office of Domestic Policy, The White House

FAX #: 202-456-2878 PHONE #: 202-456-2216

FROM: Ana Chadurich \ AMERICAN HOME ECONOMICS ASSOC.

MESSAGE: The letter to Ms. Carol Raso which follows and the additional material is intended to help Ms. Raso with her briefing on domestic policy to members of the American Home Economics Association at Stoufflers Concourse Hotel in Crystal City from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm on Monday, September 27.

MAM Please fax to me (fax # 703-706-4663) Ms. Raso's bio to be used in introducing her.

Again, we are just delighted that Ms. Raso can be with us. Thank you for your courtesies and help - and please let me know if I can help

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you and/or Ms. Raso in any way. Ana Chadurich



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September 22, 1993

Ms. Carol H. Rasco
Assistant to the President for
Domestic Policy
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Rasco:

Emily Oates, Program Manager for Home Economics Education in Arkansas, has informed me that you have agreed to provide a domestic policy briefing to the State Presidents' Unit of the American Home Economics Association at our Fall Leadership Conference. We are delighted that you will be with us.

The meeting will be held at Stouffers Concourse Hotel, 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA 22202 (Crystal City). You will be our luncheon speaker on Monday, September 27. The luncheon and program are scheduled from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm. A conference agenda and a logistics information sheet are enclosed.

The American Home Economics Association (AHEA) is a scientific and educational association of 20,000 members. AHEA's mission is to effect the optimum well-being of families and individuals throughout the lifespan.

A primary objective of this conference is to provide training for public policy formation through legislative involvement. Domestic policy issues that our members are concerned about include health care reform; welfare reform, family support and independence; education; nutrition and food assistance; human sexuality, especially teaching responsible sexual behavior to teens to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases; and gender equity. The enclosures about our association and two recent public policy issues updates that were sent to this audience provide more details about our members' policy interests.

I understand that the Administration has been approached to determine the role the President wishes to play in the International Year of the Family (IYF) in 1994. Home economists plan to use IYF as a marketing tool to achieve our objective of promoting public policies that will help every family reach their full potential for a satisfying life.

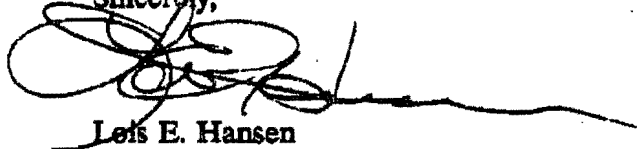
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Any information you can provide about President Clinton's domestic policy objectives, especially health care reform, welfare reform, the Administration's role in the International Year of the Family, the President's goals for education, and how Vice President Gore's National Performance Review recommendations can be expected to affect families and individuals will be greatly appreciated.

Again, thank you for agreeing to be a speaker at our conference. It has been a pleasure to work with your staff on the arrangements for your presentation. We are most appreciative and we are enthused about helping President Clinton meet our mutual objectives for improving the quality of life for American families.

Sincerely,



Lois E. Hansen
Vice President, State Affiliates

ACC/mj
Enclosures

- (1) Logistics Fact Sheet for Presentation
- (2) Conference Agenda
- (3) Two fact sheets about the American Home Economics Association
- (4) Two recent public policy updates of interest to home economists

LOGISTICS FACT SHEET
for presentation by
MS. CAROL H. RASCO
Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy

EVENT: Fall Leadership Conference
State Presidents' Unit
American Home Economics Association
September 25-29, 1993

PRESENTATION: Briefing on Domestic Policy

DATE: Monday, September 27, 1993

TIME: 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.
Lunch to precede presentation

LOCATION: Decatur Room (second floor)
Stouffers Concourse Hotel
2399 Jefferson Davis Highway
Arlington, VA 22202 (Crystal City)
Hotel phone: (703) 418-6800

**MS. RASCO WILL BE MET AT
THE HOTEL ENTRANCE BY:** **Ann Chadwick, Director of**
Professional Development/Public Policy
American Home Economics Association

Janan Jackson
President, Arkansas Home Economics Association

Dr. Ella Walker
President-Elect, Arkansas Home Economics
Association

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS: Ms. Rasco, Ms. Jackson and Dr. Walker will be seated
at the Head Table

INTRODUCTION BY: Janan Jackson

AUDIENCE: Approximately 80 home economists who are presidents
and presidents-elect of their state associations

ISSUES OF INTEREST:

Domestic policy issues that affect families, primarily:

1. Health care reform *Prin. as relate to families*
2. Welfare reform *EITC/WIC/Food Stamps Nat Service*
3. Administration's role/plans for the International Year of the Family (1994) *lg print*
4. President's education goals -
5. Expected impact on families of Vice President Gore's National Performance Review recommendations *Emp. Board*

FORMAT:

Approximately 25 (or 30) minutes for presentation;
 Approximately 20 (or 15) minutes for questions, if agreeable with Ms. Rasco [Q&A time with this audience could be a productive way for Ms. Rasco to receive feedback on the Administration's domestic policies.] *nam*

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(FOR THIS PRESENTATION FROM 9/22/93-9/27/93)

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**STATE PRESIDENT'S UNIT
FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
September 25-29, 1993**

SEPTEMBER 25, 1993 - SATURDAY

6:30 - 8:00 pm

Reception hosted by the AHEA Board of Directors at AHEA Headquarters

SEPTEMBER 26, 1993 - SUNDAY

7:30 am - All Day

Registration

8:30 - 10:00 am

Opening Brunch

Welcome by Lois Hansen, Vice President for State Affiliates and Barbara Taylor, President, AHEA

Introduction of guests and AHEA Board members

10:00 - 10:15 am

Break

10:15 - 12:00 noon

Bylaws presentation - Sue Whitaker (10:15 - 11:15 am)

Resolutions and public policy committee update - Raygene Paige (11:15 - 12:00 noon)

12:00 noon - 1:15 pm

Business meeting & working lunch

1:15 - 1:30 pm

Break

1:30 - 2:45 pm

Finance information - Rebecca Heimstead

2:45 - 3:00 pm

Break

3:00 - 3:30 pm

Annual meeting update - Joyce Abercrombie

3:30 - 5:00 pm

SPU Business meeting and open discussion, questions and answers

Evening

On your own

SEPTEMBER 27, 1993 - MONDAY**8:30 - 10:00 am**

Presentation from headquarters staff
Lois Hansen and Mary Jane Kolar will facilitate

10:00 - 10:15 am

Break

10:15 - 12:00 noon

Round Tables

International Year of the Family - Nancy Granovsky
Programs of Work, how to and the importance of the POW - Barbara Taylor
& Lois Hansen
AHEA Foundation - Information and update - Gladys Gary Vaughn
Membership - Information and inspiration - Chloe Merrill

12:00 noon - 1:30 pm

Lunch - Speaker
Carol H. Rasco, Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy

1:30 - 2:45 pm

Public Affairs Update - Anne Chadwick

2:45 - 3:00 pm

Break

3:00 - 5:00 pm

Hill Orientation and how to's

6:30 pm

Reception

7:15 - 9:30 pm

Vice President's Recognition Banquet

SEPTEMBER 28, 1993 - TUESDAY**10:30 am**

Coffee reception on the hill - Cannon office building - Room 311

Evening on your own

SEPTEMBER 29, 1993 - WEDNESDAY**8:00 - 10:00 am**

Breakfast and debriefing for those who are able to attend

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**AMERICAN HOME ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION
MEMBERSHIP FACT SHEET**

The American Home Economics Association (AHEA), established in 1909, is a scientific and educational society of nearly 20,000 professionals. Its purpose is to improve the quality and standards of individual and family life through education, research, cooperative programs and public information.

AHEA is actively involved in programs and policies related to school-age child care, pregnancy prevention in teenagers, and the recruitment and training of minority professionals. We also serve as advocates on issues such as quality education, literacy, alcohol advertising directed at youth, the environment, and other public policy areas related to family well being.

WHO ARE OUR MEMBERS?

AHEA's diverse membership consists of professionals employed in all home economics-related fields. Among our members: educators, lecturers, and administrators on the elementary, secondary, undergraduate and graduate levels; county and state home economists employed in extension services; state and federal administrators; counselors; child care workers; dieticians; freelance consultants; product development specialists; public relations directors; homemakers; and researchers in academic and business settings.

WHAT FIELDS ARE OUR MEMBERS INVOLVED IN?

Home economics represents a wide variety of subjects. Our members are involved in: interior and apparel design; financial and time management; human sexuality; child care; gerontology; food science and safety; nutrition; energy consumption; fashion design and merchandising; curriculum development; food production and sanitation; public relations; and journalism.

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About AHEA

The American Home Economics Association (AHEA) is one of the oldest professional societies in the United States. Founded in 1909, its purpose is to improve the quality and standards of individual and family life through education, research, cooperative programs, and public information.

The Association serves as the voice for the home economics profession, the only profession that integrates knowledge from all the basic disciplines—the sciences, humanities, and arts—bringing that knowledge to bear on solving the complex everyday problems of individuals and families through prevention and enrichment strategies, as well as remedial interventions. Every profession has a spokesperson-advocate organization of professionals. For home economists, that organization is the American Home Economics Association.

AHEA represents professionals in all the arenas in which the profession is practiced and all the content specializations therein. As such, the Association represents almost 20,000 men and women—home economics professionals, students, and supporters—who work in diverse fields of applied knowledge toward a common goal—improving the quality of life for every person, with special emphasis on the family unit which nurtures, protects and renews that individual.

The nature of home economics and the program of the Association have evolved by virtue of changes in resources, family functions and cultural climates, the discovery of new knowledge in the basic disciplines, and conclusions from applied research. The concerns initially identified by Ellen H. Richards, founder and first president of AHEA, remain at the core of the profession and the Association, and indeed have become increasingly important. Richards, the first female graduate and professor of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was concerned with consumer education; nutrition; child protection; industrial safety; public health; career education; women's rights; purity of air, food, and water; and the application of scientific and management principles of the home. Historians credit Richards with originating the concept of ecology, as well as formalizing the profession of home economics.

In its infancy AHEA was fortunate in finding volunteers who gave their time and efforts to details of operating an Association office. The early offices of AHEA were private rooms and spaces in the homes and offices of those individuals who wanted to help the new professional organization to become established. Today the association is staffed by nearly 30 professionals who provide services to members, represent their concerns, and facilitate the growth of individuals and programs. In June 1989, the Association Headquarters was moved to its current facility, located at 1555 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia.

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TO: State Leaders

FROM: Ann Collins Chadwick *Ann Chadwick*
Director of Public Policy

RE: Public Policy Issues Update

DATE: August 30, 1993

This update contains summaries of 12 issues. Additional information can be provided upon request. The issues are:

1. Federal funding of Vocational Consumer and Homemaking Education (CHE) for FY 1994
2. Confirmation of Surgeon General Designate Joycelyn Elders
3. Regional USDA Hunger Forums
4. Regulation of health and nutrition claims on labels of dietary supplements
5. Budget reconciliation Children's Initiative
6. FY 1994 federal funding for food assistance programs
7. Public forums on nutrition
8. Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Conference
9. Safe handling instructions to be required on meat and poultry products
10. Training seminar for foster care and adoptive families
11. Health Care Reform
12. Call for Nominations for 1994 Friend of the Family Award

1. Federal funding of Vocational Consumer and Homemaking Education for FY 1994

The budget reconciliation bill which Congress just passed by a narrow margin is action on President Clinton's five-year plan for deficit reduction and economic growth. This bill did not settle the issue of CHE federal funding for FY 1994. All senators need to hear from home economists about the need for federal grants for CHE while they are home on recess from now until September 6.

2. Confirmation of Surgeon General Designate Joycelyn Elders

The White House was disappointed that the Senate did not confirm Dr. Elders before the August recess. Senator Kennedy, Chairman, Senate and Human Resources Committee, has reached agreement for no more than 8 more hours of Senate debate on September 7; the Senate will then vote on her confirmation. A simple majority of 51 votes is needed for confirmation. While the Administration is confident Dr. Elders will be confirmed, there is concern that public debate until September 7 could distort Dr. Elders' candid comments, particularly quotes taken out of context. A close examination of Dr. Elders' record reveals that she has addressed, in Arkansas, and promises to address nationwide, many of the same priorities of home economists. If confirmed, she promises to be a strong advocate in the Clinton Administration for many of the same principles home economists support. Persons who wish to support Dr. Elders should contact their senators before September 7.

3. Regional USDA Hunger Forums

USDA still has not announced dates or locations of regional hunger forums. Secretary Mike Espy has been named to lead assistance efforts to those affected by floods in the midwest; agriculture has suffered disproportional flood damage.

4. Regulation of health and nutrition claims on labels of dietary supplements

On August 6, 1993, Congresswoman Cardiss Collins (D-IL) introduced the Dietary Supplement Consumer Protection Act (H.R. 2923) which would require dietary supplements to follow the same requirements as food products under the Nutrition Labeling and Education Act (effective May 1994) regarding health and nutrition claims. That is, such claims would be allowed only when there is "significant scientific agreement" about the claims. The intent is to prevent misleading claims and to encourage truthful informational claims.

5. Budget reconciliation Children's Initiative

The final budget reconciliation bill contains increased funding for:

- a. Childhood immunization - \$500,000,000
- b. Family Preservation and Support - \$1 billion
- c. Leland Hunger Relief Act - \$2.5 billion
- d. Earned Income Credit (also called Earned Income Tax Credit) - \$20.8 billion

(over)

The bill also makes the Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) an entitlement program which will serve all who are eligible by September 1996.

6. FY 1994 federal funding for food assistance programs

The WIC program will be funded at \$3.21 billion in 1994, with \$5.5 million of the total targeted for purchasing fresh produce at farmers' markets. Total funding for USDA's child nutrition programs will be \$7.5 billion in 1994, with \$1.853 billion designated for the Food Service Management Institute in Mississippi. The Institute was established to help managers implement the Dietary Guidelines for Americans in children's meals.

7. Public forums on nutrition

USDA will hold three public forums in various cities to discuss implementation of the Dietary Guidelines in the National School Lunch Program and other children's meals. Locations and dates have not been announced.

8. Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Conference

The Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies' Seventh Annual National Conference focus is "Cultural Diversity: Are We Serving the Changing Populations?" One of the plenary sessions will be on Managed Health Care. The conference will be held in Arlington, VA on October 1-3, 1993. Call 202-863-2458 for more information.

9. Safe handling instructions to be required on meat and poultry products

Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy has announced that the labels on packages of all raw and partially cooked meat and poultry products will be required to carry instructions for safe handling to minimize chances of foodborne illness. The new rules are scheduled to take effect October 15, 1993. The meat and poultry industries support the new requirements but are concerned about being able to meet the October 15 deadline. For additional information, call USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service Office of Information on 202-720-9113 or the toll-free Meat and Poultry Hotline. The Hotline operates 24 hours a day and contains pre-recorded messages during non-working hours. From 10:00 am to 4:00 pm Eastern Time, home economists provide food labeling advice. Call 1-800-535-4555 (or 202-720-3333 in the Washington, D.C. area).

10. Training seminar for foster care and adoptive families

On November 3-5, 1993, the Child Welfare Institute, 1365 Peachtree Street, Suite 700, Atlanta, GA 30309, will conduct a training institute titled, "Recruiting, Selecting, Preparing and Retaining Foster and Adoptive Families." Workshops will include topics such as working with children who have been sexually abused, have been exposed to HIV, come from chemically dependent families, and have serious behavior problems. For more information, call 404-876-1934.

11. Health Care Reform

The Administration is now expected to significantly increase activity on health care reform in mid-September; President Clinton may make this plan public in late September.

12. Call for Nominations for 1994 Friend of the Family Award

The Call for Nominations for the 1994 Friend of the Family Award was mailed to 143 AHEA national and state leaders the week of August 9. Please give thoughtful consideration to nominating a deserving person to receive AHEA's highest public service award. Hillary Rodham Clinton was the 1993 recipient.

Please note that the deadline for submitting nominations to AHEA headquarters has been extended to November 1, 1993.

7-28-93

TO: State Leaders

FROM: Ann Collins Chadwick
Director of Public Policy

Ann Chadwick

RE: Public Policy Issues Update

This update contains summaries of 12 issues. Additional information can be provided upon request. The issues are:

1. Federal funding of Vocational Consumer and Homemaking Education for FY 1994
2. Health Care Reform
3. Confirmation of Surgeon General Designate Joycelyn Elders
4. Abortion controversies
5. Family and Medical Leave Act (Enclosures)
6. Nutrition and food assistance
7. Child welfare
8. Grants from the US Department of Health and Human Services' Administration on Aging
9. Pesticides and children
10. Gender Equity in Education Act (HR 1793) (Enclosure)
11. Meat inspection
12. Reinventing government

1. Federal funding of Vocational Consumer and Homemaking Education for FY 1994

The House of Representatives has restored federal funding for Vocational Consumer and Homemaking Education (CHE) for Fiscal Year 1994 at the current level of \$34.720 million.

The next step in the appropriations process is action by the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education. The Subcommittee will mark up their bill after the August recess, September 7 or later. After Subcommittee markup, the bill can be expected to move quickly to the full Committee, the full Senate, and the Conference Committee.

All senators need to receive data from their constituents as soon as possible about CHE programs that they can use to support their decisions to restore federal funding in the face of many competing needs.

It is essential that senators are aware of how federal grants are used to leverage state funds and make programs more effective and relevant in order to address our nation's chronic, critical social and economic needs. It would be ideal for them to hear from you while they are at home, August 10-September 6.

2. Health Care Reform

On May 25, 1993, Hillary Rodham Clinton briefed health professionals and public interest organizations on the Administration's health care reform plan. She said the plan would address the issues of security, cost, quality, choice, and simplicity.

Mrs. Clinton stated that concerns about security are driving the health care debate and that a major objective of the Administration's plan is to ensure that health benefits are transferred with individuals when they change jobs.

She stated that health care related paperwork is growing four times faster than the cost of care, and that reducing the amount of paperwork related to health care is one of the ways costs can be more effectively controlled.

Mrs. Clinton tied quality to security and emphasized that key quality objectives are maintaining what is currently good, and preserving good physician-patient relationships. The plan will focus on quality outcomes. She acknowledged that most opposition to the plan will be related to concerns about quality. Mrs. Clinton concluded by assuring participants that the plan will preserve patient choice and that it will be as simple as possible. She asked that health professionals, educators, and public interest representatives help consumers understand health care issues and how they affect each other.

On July 14, 1993, in Washington, DC, the Commonwealth Fund's Commission on Women's Health released a study based on interviews early this year with more than 2500 American women age 18 and older. One-third reported they did not receive basic preventive health services last year; 13 percent reported failure to receive needed care for an illness in the

past year. Of that 13 percent, 50 percent said it was because the care cost too much and 25 percent reported the illness was not covered by insurance.

The President will announce his health care reform plan no earlier than September, but it could be postponed until early 1994.

3. Confirmation of Surgeon General Designate Joycelyn Elders

An evaluation of the policy positions of Dr. Joycelyn Elders, President Clinton's designate for Surgeon General, reveals that her positions on health are supported by several of AHEA's Resolutions approved by assemblies of delegates at several annual meetings. AHEA and Dr. Elders both support sex education; nutrition education; prenatal care for all women; family planning; HIV and AIDS information dissemination, educational intervention and research; laws that permit abortions to be performed by a duly licensed physician; prevention strategies with regard to teen pregnancy, substance abuse, immunization, and family violence; and self-reliance.

AHEA President Barbara Taylor has written to the members of the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee to urge that Dr. Elders be confirmed. AHEA's support of Dr. Elders is based on her positions on health policy with which we agree. Significant opposition is expected on the Senate floor, supported by conservative groups that oppose her stances on sex education, birth control, AIDS and abortion.

4. Abortion controversies

The abortion issues now before Congress are much more complex and have far less public support than the question of abortion legality. Legislators must now decide whether being pro-choice means supporting public financing of abortion for poor women, curtailing states' abilities to regulate abortion, and including abortion services in a national health care plan.

Abortion-rights groups suffered a significant defeat when the House approved the Hyde Amendment, which would allow federal financing of abortions for poor women only in cases of rape, incest, or when a pregnant woman's life is in danger. These groups are now working to get the proposed Freedom of Choice Act passed. It is intended to put the constitutional right to abortion into federal law and prohibit most state restrictions on it. Some abortion-rights supporters dislike this bill because it would let states deny public financing for abortions and require parental or adult notification for minors.

The outcome of taxpayer financing of abortions is very uncertain; it is likely to be one of several significant struggles in the health care reform debate.

5. Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) (Enclosures)

The Department of Labor (DOL) has issued interim final regulations interpreting the FMLA. DOL will accept public comment until September 2. The FMLA Coalition, with which AHEA worked to get the bill passed, is analyzing the regulations and will file comments. DOL

has requested assistance in educating employees and employers of their rights and responsibilities under this new law. DOL has provided an FMLA Summary and an FMLA Notice to enable public interest organizations to communicate information about FMLA (both enclosed). DOL will issue copies of an FMLA Compliance Guide and an FMLA Fact Sheet when they are finalized.

6. Nutrition and food assistance

(a) National Hunger Forum and nutrition education

On June 17, the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) conducted a national forum to promote understanding of the current extent and nature of hunger in the US, the government's role in addressing the problem, and public-private partnerships. The more than 70 panelists also discussed policy options to better serve the needy and promote self-sufficiency.

Many panelists support two of the Clinton Administration's legislative proposals, full funding for the Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and the Mickey Leland Hunger Prevention Act. The WIC Program has saved one to three dollars in Medicaid costs for every dollar spent on WIC prenatal benefits. The current WIC legislative proposal makes WIC an entitlement program to fully cover all eligible by September 1996. The Leland Act would increase benefits of the Food Stamp Program (FSP), primarily to families with children that currently pay more than half their income for rent.

The WIC full funding proposal is expected to pass both the House and Senate. However, the two chambers are far apart on the Leland Act, with the House providing a \$7 billion increase for the FSP, while the Senate provides no increase. The outcome of the House-Senate conference on the Leland Act portion of the reconciliation bill is uncertain. The Agriculture Department has indicated it will hold public forums on hunger in several additional cities, but has not set locations or dates. USDA also plans to broaden nutrition education, especially to food stamp recipients, in schools, and to Native Americans.

(b) Regulation of health and nutrition claims in advertising for food and dietary supplements

AHEA continues to support the positions of the Food and Nutrition Labeling Group (FNLG), a consortium of 22 organizations representing health professionals and consumer interest groups. The FNLG worked to achieve food labeling reform that assures consumers will receive reliable and consistent nutrition and health information on food labels.

Under current law, the Federal Trade Commission, which regulates advertising, allows health and nutrition claims for both food and dietary supplements that would not be allowed on food labels when the new law takes effect in May 1994.

There are current legislative proposals supporting both sides of the issue, i.e., proposals that would support current law and proposals that would require advertising claims to meet the same standards the new food labels must meet for both food and dietary supplements.

The FNLG is supporting legislation that would require advertisements to be compatible, to the extent possible, with the new standards for food labels (i.e., health and nutrition claims should be supported by "significant scientific agreement"). The overall objective is that the federal government provide the guidelines and leadership needed to assure consumers have access to accurate, useful nutrition information.

(c) Ten-Year Comprehensive Plan for the National Nutrition Monitoring and Related Research Program

USDA and the Department of Health and Human Services issued the Ten-Year Plan in the June 11, 1993 Federal Register, available through local libraries. The Plan is required by the National Nutrition and Related Research Act of 1990. It coordinates the nutrition activities of 22 federal agencies. The activities in the Plan are in addition to the broad base of activities already being implemented by the federal government.

(d) US Nutrition Plan of Action

The US and 158 other nations participated in the first International Conference on Nutrition in Rome in December 1992. Eloise Carter, a member of the International Federation of Home Economics, attended as an NGO (non-governmental official). A World Declaration and Plan of Action were adopted at the conference and each country made a commitment to develop a country-specific plan of action for nutrition and to submit it to the Food and Agriculture Organization in Rome by December 1994.

AHEA will be represented at a public hearing at USDA on the US Plan on August 4. We will also have an opportunity to comment on the draft US Plan in the spring of 1994.

7. Child Welfare

(a) Budget reconciliation Children's Initiative

Children's advocacy groups are working to ensure that the "Children's Initiative," four key initiatives for children and their families, are included in the budget reconciliation bill. The House bill contains these four provisions:

Childhood Immunization Initiative: provides free vaccines for children who are eligible for Medicaid or who are uninsured or whose health insurance does not cover vaccines. States will also be able to buy vaccines for other children in their states at a federally negotiated price (\$1.2 billion).

Family Preservation and Support Provisions: helps provide services to families to protect children at risk of being removed from their homes and improves the quality of services to children in out-of-home care (\$1.5 billion).

Mickey Leland Childhood Hunger Relief Act: (discussed above) (\$7 billion).

Major expansion of the Earned Income Credit (EIC): assists parents who work at low wages to better meet the needs of their children. There is also a small credit for childless workers (\$28 billion).

The Senate bill contains only weaker versions of the immunization and EIC provisions.

These initiatives are not without controversy. For example, opponents of the immunization initiative claim that there is already enough funding to enable poor children to receive free vaccinations, making increased funding unnecessary. They say the reason more children aren't immunized is because parents either don't realize immunizations are still needed or they are simply neglecting this parental responsibility. Solution: more intensive information efforts.

(b) Child support reform

The Clinton Administration is developing a major welfare reform proposal, which will include child support reform. It is expected that Child Support Assurance will be either a pilot project or a new universal entitlement.

Meanwhile, the House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Human Resources has been reviewing how well the Family Support Act of 1988 is being implemented.

(c) Child welfare services

The same Subcommittee (above) is reviewing the status of child welfare services, especially those provided under the Social Security Act. Included are: child protection, foster care, and adoption assistance programs. The National Committee for the Prevention of Child Abuse notes that between 1980 and 1991, the number of reports of child neglect and abuse tripled, from 900,000 to 2.7 million. This makes the Resolutions on Family Violence and Corporal Punishment of children passed by the 1993 AHEA Assembly of Delegates especially timely.

8. Grants from the US Department of Health and Human Services' Administration on Aging

The Administration on Aging is funding several demonstration programs which may be of interest to home economists conducting research on aging issues. The grants are approximately \$100,000 for approximately 17 months. Persons interested in applying for a grant should contact the Administration on Aging as soon as possible at (202) 619-0441 for details and a copy of the announcement. Application deadline for some of the grants is September 10, 1993.

9. Pesticides and Children

In June, the National Academy of Sciences released a report, "Pesticides in the Diets of Infants and Children." The study was mandated by Congress to address whether current regulatory approaches for controlling pesticide residues in foods adequately protect infants and children from the beginning of the last trimester of pregnancy to 19 years old.

The report recommends that the federal government change some of its scientific and regulatory procedures for pesticides, that regulators adopt a new method of risk assessment that will measure more accurately what portion of the population may be at risk, and that toxicity

testing of pesticides be more comprehensive. The report also recommended that food consumption surveys collect more specific data for children.

The report made several specific recommendations intended to improve methods for estimating exposure and for setting tolerances to safeguard children's health, but did not conclude that parents should change their children's diets to avoid certain foods.

The American Academy of Pediatrics has reaffirmed its position that "a diet rich in fruits and vegetables is the most healthful children can consume" and "nutritional benefits of fruits and vegetables outweigh the potential hazards from pesticides." The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) noted that "pesticide residues on infant foods and adult foods that infants and children eat are almost always well below the highest levels legally allowed."

10. Gender Equity in Education Act (HR 1793) (Enclosure)

Congress is now considering the re-authorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is urging Congress and the Administration to strongly support gender equity in all federally funded education programs. AAUW supports HR 1793, an omnibus package of nine bills addressing gender bias in schools. See enclosed AAUW Position Paper summary; details on individual bills are available upon request.

11. Meat Inspection

House Agriculture Committee Chairman Kika de la Garza (D-TX) has proclaimed comprehensive modernization of federal meat inspection one of his Committee's top priorities in the 103rd Congress. The Chairman commended USDA for holding public hearings on the need for improvements in meat and poultry inspection. Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy has directed USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service to simultaneously implement a program to reduce current pathogens and to develop a regulatory program for the future.

12. Reinventing government

Vice President Gore has been advised by at least one expert on management quality issues that large corporations usually take at least six years to fully implement quality programs and that he can expect the federal government to take at least 10 years to do so. Among tips to Gore from the private sector: push decisions down and train workers in problem-solving.

More information on all these issues is available upon request.

Enclosures

For the first time in a long time, your efforts will be supported--not rebuffed--by the executive branch of this government. The details remain to be worked out. But for sure, there will be an ongoing, high-level focus on children and families, cutting across agency, departmental, and programmatic lines, coordinated by the White House, responsible not to any single constituency but to the national interest and directly to the President of the United States.

Concern for our children must start at the top--but it can't end there. We must empower parents, neighborhoods, communities and voluntary organizations across this great nation to do what our children need. The President can take

the lead--but only you can complete the task.

At last, a new day is dawning for America's children and their families. We will work together with you. We won't always succeed, and we won't always be able to do everything that you--and we--would want.

But I can promise you this: we will never relent in our effort to give every child a chance to develop--fully.

Because at the end of Bill Clinton's second term, at the dawn of the third millenium, I want to be able to say ^{to Hamp Rasco / M-M Rasco} with a clear conscience and a full heart: We did our best. *I want you*

to join me in being able to look at one another &
Thank you very much.

*Say:
We did our
best!*

Home Ec

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Cooking - timeless

Still have the receipts

Sewing - My mother beautiful seamstress & I was marveled

My own daughter

Family life

Thank you
for you

Support
Claus

For too long, these issues were mired in partisan gridlock. Some talked only about the economic squeeze on families and cuts in government programs; others talked only about the disintegration of families and the decline of American culture. It is time--high time--to put an end to the politics of false choices. We must move beyond cheerleading for family values, on the one hand, and on the other, the old big-government notion that there's a program for every social problem.

There is ^{another} ~~a third~~ way, a commonsense path that offers more opportunity to every family and demands more responsibility from every individual. As the President has said so eloquently: Family values alone

cannot nourish a hungry child,
and material security alone
cannot provide a moral compass.
We must have both.

That is the trail that the
National Commission has blazed
for our country. You have
advanced an ambitious
legislative agenda, which helped
shape the President's budget
proposals. You have crafted a
new consensus on children and
families that could put futile
debates behind us. Most
important, you have reminded us
of basic principles essential
values.

o First: Every American
child should have the
opportunity to develop to his or
her full potential.

Hamp - birth: life or death
institution

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prom - graduation - indep. living



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September 7, 1993

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SEP 8 REC'D

Box 9:30-5:00
on 9/23
yes

Dear Carol:

I learned immediately after our telephone conversation last Friday, that I had given you incorrect information about the dates for the American Home Economics Association, State Presidents' Unit Workshop. When they asked me to work with them on this, the workshop was to begin on Friday evening and last through Monday, as has been done previously. At some point in time, it was necessary to change the starting time to Saturday evening and end on Tuesday. Somehow I did not notice the date change in later correspondence. I am embarrassed by this oversight and need to get back in touch with you since you had agreed to speak to the group at noon on Saturday.

Would it be possible for you to come at noon, 12:00 - 1:30, on Sunday, September 26, or for the banquet, 7:15 - 9:30 p.m., on Monday, September 27? This is a working meeting so the schedule is flexible. We can work you into the schedule at your convenience. Earlier in the meeting would be better so the information presented can be incorporated into plans that are made. Visits to the Hill are planned for Tuesday.

12:00-1:30

The presidents and presidents-elect will be spending time at this meeting on programs of work and special projects to be undertaken during the next few years. One topic of discussion will be International Year of the Family (state activities and suggestions). Participants will be interested in health care and, also, any other current issue on which they might have an impact. There may be issues they have not thought about that could be a part of the programs of work. I'm sure they will be interested to hear whatever you have to share. You always seem to have a sense of what a particular group needs to know.

Again, I can be reached at 501/682-1140, office; [redacted] home.

Sincerely,

Emily Oates

Emily Oates, Program Manager
Home Economics/Health Occupations

Rosemary Willis

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Carol H. Rasco - Call List

CALLER DATE/TIME MESSAGE FOLLOW-UP DISPOSITION

Kati, X7560 Presidential Scheduling (call for Roz)	2:55p.m 9/3; pr	returning you call, please call		
Emily Oates Little Rock, AR 501-682-1140(o) Am. Home Economic Association P6/b(6) (h)	3:15p.m 9/3; pr	wants CHR to know that the date is Sunday, Sept. 26, (noon) not Saturday as she had previously stated. The event does not begin until Sat. at 6:00p.m.	Regret for Sunday for poss. Monday	
Tracy David Watkins's X2861 (call for Roz)	2:20p.m 9/3; pr	calling "to confirm" Please call		
Susan Johnson- Cooke P6/b(6) (for Roz)	3:35p.m 9/3; pr	Does CHR have a message for her? She can be reached at this # this p.m. and rest of weekend		

*Let's
review
this w/
other
scheduling*

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8/26/93 am.
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August 17, 1993

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Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
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AUG 20 RECD

BG: I'll take care of the speech bit. Pls. review the Year of the Family piece & let's talk.
CLK

Dear Carol:

Greetings from home! Activities in Arkansas are moving along at the usual rapid pace but all things considered, we are doing very well.

Carol, I am writing about two issues in this letter because they are somewhat related to each other and to domestic policy. As you know, we in home economics have strong professional associations and our activities touch the lives of people all cross the country. We actively support and promote programs which relate to home and family and quality of life for individuals. There seems to be a great deal of commonality in the goals and objectives of home economists and the initiatives of the present Administration.

The first issue of concern is the International Year of the Family. I am sure you are aware that the United National General Assembly, in its resolution 44/82 of December 8, 1989, proclaimed 1994 as the International Year of the Family. The theme of the year is "Family: Resources and Responsibilities in a Changing World." Home economists are looking at ways to be involved in this international effort.

One group came up with the idea of a Presidential proclamation declaring 1994 as the Year of the Family in the United States of America. A committee was formed and some action started on this objective. When I was contacted for input and asked to serve on the committee, I had immediate concerns. Not being well-versed or experienced in governmental procedures and processes and not being sure about the steps to be taken to achieve a Presidential Proclamation, which seemed to be the major objective of the committee, I felt it was imperative to seek advice. Therefore, I am turning to you for information and recommendations about what may be on the drawing board at the White House for observance of International Year of the Family and about how this group should proceed. I am enclosing a copy of the information that was sent to me.

We do not want to take any action that is inappropriate or that will be repetitive of other efforts that may already be in place. Rest assured that this committee will take no further action until we hear from you.

Ms. Carol Rasco
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August 17, 1993

The second issue is in regard to the AHEA State Presidents' Unit Leadership Conference and President Clinton's goals on domestic policy.

Each year, the American Home Economics Association (AHEA) conducts a State President's Unit Leadership Conference in the Washington, D. C. area. The 1993 conference is scheduled for September 26-29, at the Stouffer Hotel, Crystal City, Arlington, Virginia.

The membership of AHEA includes home economists from business, education, extension, homemaking, human services, and research. An on-going program of work, which addresses issues of current concern, is implemented by this association. My observations in working with these professionals is that they have a significant impact on any issue they choose to address and that they touch all segments of society.

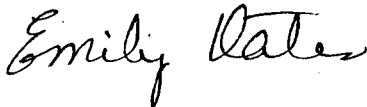
As the state presidents and state presidents-elect go into the planning session this year, they are particularly interested in learning more about President Clinton's goals regarding domestic policy and knowing how the Association might support these goals through various programs and projects.

Would it be possible for you to speak to the group at some time on Saturday, September 26, or Sunday, September 27? The schedule is flexible, so it could be adjusted for your convenience. Some times that might be considered on either day would be 10:15 - 12:00 noon, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. at lunch, 1:30 - 2:45 p.m. or 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. We know how full your schedule is and realize this request is late in coming, but we do hope you can speak to the group or suggest someone else who might be able to provide the information desired. We will work out specific details immediately after receiving a reply.

I may be reached at work at 501 / 682-1140. Luther Hardin Education Building. #3 Capitol Mall, Little Rock, AR 72201, or at home at P6/b(6)

Your assistance with these issues will be appreciated.

Sincerely,



Emily Oates, Program Manager
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June 15, 1993

Emily Oates
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Dear Ms. Oates:

I appreciate your very kind assistance to work on trying to get a Presidential Proclamation for the International Year of the Family. With your approval, we will add your name to the design team.

The original proclamation (enclosed) was drafted as a Joint Resolution--to authorize the President.... For a proclamation that originates with the President, we now need to rewrite it. In overnight mail I am sending some models that were pulled from the Federal Register Reports. I can assist with the rewrite or writers may want to pull information from the original copy or the booklet (page 5-25 enclosed). Copies of the booklet are being mailed.

A list of the Design Team Members and a chronological report of their actions, January 1992 and January 1993 is enclosed. During this year, State members of teams have made contact with congressional aids.

I can be reached at (work) 301-504-5498, (fax) 301-504-5472 and (home) P6/b(6)

Thank you again for your interest and willingness to assist our profession.

Sincerely,

NANCY B. LEIDENFROST
National Program Leader
Hunger and Undernutrition

Enclosures

1994 YEAR OF THE FAMILY

Joint resolution United States of America, Year of the Family

To authorize the President to proclaim 1994 as the

"U.S.A. YEAR OF THE FAMILY"

in conjunction with the UN International Year of the Family.

In the House of Representatives

Sponsors: *Representatives and States* introduced the following JOINT RESOLUTION, which was referred to the Post Office and Civil Service Committee:

JOINT RESOLUTION

Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That the President is hereby authorized and requested to issue a proclamation designating "1994, the U.S.A. YEAR OF THE FAMILY" in conjunction with the UN International Year of the Family and calling upon the people of the United States to promote the inherent strengths of the family, which constitutes the basic unit of our society.

- whereas, families continue to provide the natural framework for the emotional, and material support essential to the growth and development of its members, particularly infants and children and for the care of other dependants, including the elderly, the disabled and the infirm; and

- whereas, families remain a vital means of preserving and transmitting our culture and our values and are a medium for promoting values and behavior that work to eliminate detrimental influences on society and individual family members; and

- Whereas, educational institutions, local and national groups and services can recognize and affect societal ills, and they may also seek to educate and inform families so as to discourage antisocial behavior and practices; and

- whereas, in a positive sense, families are capable of playing an important role as agents of development and constructive change in society, and offer a basis for a holistic approach to a variety of social and developmental issues; and

- whereas, the ability of many families to meet their basic needs has been weakened by circumstances beyond their control; and
- whereas there are different types of family structures with different inherent strengths and weaknesses;
- whereas, social and economic conditions affect families and their members; and
- Whereas a better understanding of family resources, responsibilities and intra-familial support systems can help to design interventions that reinforce the ability of families to assist their members; and focus needs to be balanced between the rights and responsibilities of all its members;

Now, therefore, I, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the year

1994 the U.S.A. YEAR OF THE FAMILY.

I call upon all Americans to participate, in the preceding years as well as in 1994, in appropriate educational events which promote the family as primary source of nurturing, transmission of values, culture and information and to encourage the fulfillment of these important functions for the benefit of all society.

PROCLAMATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL
YEAR OF THE FAMILY
(CHRONOLOGICAL REPORT)

OBJECTIVE: To promote the inherent strengths of the family which constitutes the basic unit of our society.

DESCRIPTION OF PARTICIPANTS:

- Selected individuals who will bring the proclamation to fruition
- IYF Taskforce at the grass roots level
- U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives in Congress Assembly

BENEFITS TO EXTENSION SYSTEM:

- A greater awareness of Extension's programs which benefit families
- Increased opportunities to build coalitions and start new programs

PLAN OF ACTION:

January 1992:

Leidenfrost drafted the 1994 Year of the Family "Proclamation"

January, February 1992:

Obtained support from professional organizations that have interest in the resolution: American Home Economics Association; National Association of Extension Home Economists; National Association of 4-H Agents; and the National Council on Family Relations

January, February, March, June 1992:

Joan Fanelli, ES, USDA, Program Leader - Legislative and Intergovernment is informed about the plan.

January, February, March, June 1992:

Jane Dodds, Assistant to ES Administrator - provided a draft proclamation for administrative approval. Discussion of the proclamation format and procedures.

February 18, 1992:

HEHN reacted to the draft of the 1994 International Year of the Family Proclamation

March 1992:

Communicated with DHHS Office - Joan Barnhart, Krista Reynold, Larry Dye - Public Affairs Office

April, May, June, July 1992:

In the July Conversation, Mr. Dye requested that I share the Extension System's plan. Our three year plan of action was sent. This information was to be used to orient the new IYF Director upon her arrival in early August. It was arranged that I would meet with her in September.

September 25, 1992:

Shirley L. Baugher and this NPL had a conference with Teresa Michael, U.S. Director for the U.N. International Year of the Family. Based on this conference, we decided to proceed with an IYF proclamation to be initiated at the grass roots level. Also to have the Commemorative Postage Stamp Design Team send the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee a letter.

Design Team Activity - October 9, 1992:

Teleconference with the Design Team to plan a strategy for getting support for the Proclamation at the grass roots level.

October 1992 - January 1993:

Develop a plan of action for January 1993. Planned procedures are needed until the joint resolution reaches the Congressional Assembly.

RESOURCES: No budget appears necessary

LOGISTICS:

January - March 1992:

Develop Proclamation and get support from professional associations.

April - May:

Obtain endorsement from DHHS. A Director was not appointed until late August 1992.

September - October 1992:

Communicate and develop strategies with Design Team.

October - January 1993:

Design Team or designated persons will Contact the Congressional staff.

January - March:

Obtain necessary support for the proclamation to be introduced in Congress.

Late 1993; early 1994:

Approval of the Presidential Proclamation.

Early 1994:
Distribute Proclamation.

EVALUATION AND OUTCOME: Monitor how the proclamation was used to create awareness about the U.S. Year of the Family and issues that surround families.

1. 1994 Proclamation on the International Year of the Family (a draft joint resolution - United States of America, Year of the Family - To authorize the President to proclaim 1994 as the U.S.A. Year of the Family in conjunction with the U.N. International Year of the Family has been prepared). It proposes that the resolution would be resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the U.S. Congress and would request that the President authorize and issue a proclamation designating 1994 the U.S.A. Year of the Family. The draft has been shared with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and has been endorsed by the American Home Economics Association, National Association of Extension Home Economist, National Association of 4H Agents, and National Council on Family Relations. The Design Team will be responsible for the procedure and process toward a proclamation.

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The project will be implemented with the involvement and support of collaborating public and private groups and professional organizations.