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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator
FROM: ADC
RE: Proposed Joint Hearing during White House Conference on Libraries

April 17, 1991

A proposal has been made by the staff of the White House Conference on Libraries to hold a joint hearing at the Conference site in downtown Washington on the last day of the Conference: Friday, July 12, 1991.

You and Congressman Bill Ford chaired a similar hearing at the first White House Conference in 1979. Since the two of you are again the lead sponsors of the upcoming Conference there is some logic to this idea. I am checking with Ford's office to learn their level of interest.

Bob Chartrand, who claims a long-time friendship with you, has been hired by the Conference to organize this hearing. The crowd would be large since this would be the only event scheduled for conference attendees at the time. The location is the Ramada Renaissance Hotel adjacent to the convention center in downtown Washington from 9:30 to 12 on July 12.

The witnesses would be people of stature who would address the themes of the conference: literacy, democracy and productivity. Six Congressmen and three Senators (Javits, Pell and Stafford) attended the 1979 hearing.

For planning purposes, the Conference staff needs to know if you will consider co-chairing this hearing with Ford. I recommend that you do so.

Check schedule; will agree tentatively to co-chair

Will not co-chair

Diane Stark - staffer for Bill Ford