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RONALD K. SPEED
Director, Corporate Community Relations

May 25, 1979

The Honorable Emily A. Staples
23G State Capitol
St. Paul, Minnesota 55155

Dear Emily:

Thanks very much for your work and support on the subsidized adoption legislation. Your enthusiasm and support for this issue months ago and your guidance, both through the United Way and the Minnesota senate, were obviously keys to the successful passage of the bill. We knew you had several other issues to which you were committed and that picking up the responsibility for this legislation after Senator Lewis' death simply added to those already substantial responsibilities.

Obviously, I don't have to tell you what this legislation could mean to many children whose circumstances have left them without a permanent family with which to grow up. Our willingness in this state to try to do a better job for them is another benchmark which confirms again the opinions a lot of us have about Minnesota being a caring place.

It's always especially fun to work with you and I want you to know we genuinely appreciated your concern and help.

Sincerely,



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Participating with the Governor are key United Way volunteers and House and Senate Authors; L. to R.: Ronald Speed, Chairman, United Way Planning Committee and Director of Community Affairs, Honeywell, Inc.; Rep. Mary Forsythe, Edina, Chief House Author; Sen. Emily Anne Staples, Plymouth, Senate Spokesperson and Author; and John McDonald, Chairman, United Way Subsidized Adoption Subcommittee and Senior Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank.



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L. to R.: Howard Paulson, Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota; Kay Bonner Nee, Minnesota Association of Voluntary Social Service Agencies; Henry Antikainen, Minnesota Adoption Council and Foster Parents Association; Ronald Speed, Chairman, United Way Planning Comm. and Director of Community Affairs, Honeywell, Inc.; Byron Laher, United Way Director of Government Relations; Jim Raun, Exec. Director Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota; Rep. Mary Forsythe, Edina, Chief House Author; John McDonald, Chairman, United Way Subsidized Adoption Subcommittee and Senior Vice President, Federal Reserve Bank; Rep. Shirley Hokanson, Richfield, House Author; Jerri Suddereth, Legislative Aide to the late Senator Robert Lewis, the Chief Senate Author; Senator Emily Anne Staples, Plymouth, Chief Senate Spokesperson and Author; Sen. Howard Knutson, Burnsville, Author; Rep. Paul McCarron, Spring Lake Park, House Author; Roger Toogood, Exec. Director, Children's Home Society of Minnesota; and Larry Harris, Chairman, Public Relation Task Force, First Call for Help and Coordinator of Legislative and Community Relations, Minneapolis Public Schools.