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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 28, 1986

Dear Mrs. Muir:

Thank you for your recent letter to the President, and the belated Christmas card. In your letter you suggested that Mrs. Reagan consider running for President in 1988. You also expressed support for a single six-year presidential term or, alternatively, retention of two four-year terms. Finally, you indicated your concern over the Libyan situation.

Mrs. Reagan has not expressed any interest in elective office, though I am certain she appreciates your expression of support. The President, as you note, has questioned the wisdom of the Twenty-Second Amendment, which imposes the two-term limitation. With respect to the Libyan situation, I can only assure you that the President will act responsibly to protect American interests and reduce the threat of terrorism.

Thank you for sharing your views with us. We appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,

John G. Roberts
Associate Counsel to the President

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President Ronald Reagan
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Reagan:

Your Christmas card was bought long before Christmas but I waited to send it until I knew where you would be at that time -- at your ranch or at The White House. I never did find out so I am sending it to The White House with my deepest apology for the lateness. Politics kept running through my mind so 5 kept it so I could enclose a comment or two.

What would you think of Nancy for a candidate for President in 1988? She is well qualified and well liked by the voters if she dresses modestly. And this time she would have a good man behind her. Would Nancy consider it? Either Vice President Bush or Governor Dewhorne would make a good Vice President. Both are level headed.

On the presidency --- one time you spoke of changing it to 3 terms. That would not seem advisable because we never know when the Democrats might get in office again. And we do not want them having three terms. One six year term would be good or leave it as it is, two 4-year terms.

If Nancy does not wish to be a candidate, what would you think of Vice-President Bush or Gov. Dewhorne as a candidate for President in 1988? I really am quite perturbed at the Libyan situation especially since Russian ships have started circulating in that area. I appreciate your wanting to make the world a better place. And so do I. But it seems to me that is more than we should take on. It will take centuries for the nations of that hemisphere to change. Give them enough rope and they will hang themselves. Or change. That has solved many a problem for me. I am a peacemaker. And I will walk away from a fight before it starts. So let's keep away from a war before it starts.

May I add a thought? A good way to keep peace is to abstain from calling a person names. I believe you called someone a mad man on the TV the other night. I realize how frustrating things can be. You are a great person so as the Hawaiians say, "Hang in."

I will be listening to your State of the Union Speech tomorrow night. And it will be great as they all are.

May I include a birthday wish (75th). May this be the brightest, happy, and most healthful ever; and many more.

With my warmest regards to you and Nancy,

[Signature]