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**THE WHITE HOUSE
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DATE RECEIVED: 7/22/2005

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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE *Barack Obama*
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SUBJECT: WRITES CONCERNING IMMIGRATION REFORM

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August 18, 2005

Dear Senator Obama:

Due to mail screening procedures, we have only recently received your June 30, 2005, letter addressed to President Bush regarding immigration.

My staff is reviewing your correspondence for appropriate action, and we thank you for your patience. Please be assured your letter is receiving our close and careful attention.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our Legislative Correspondence Office at (202) 456-5996.

Sincerely,



Candida P. Wolff
Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Barack Obama
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Bcc for Appropriate Action: DHS
For Information: DOJ, NSC

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June 30, 2005

The Honorable George W. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

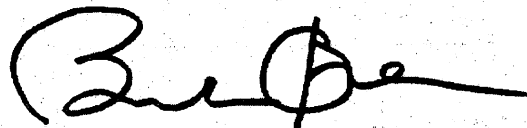
A group of families from Illinois came to visit me this week to tell their stories and ask that we address the vital issue of comprehensive immigration reform. They came on a "Family Unity Bus," traveling through the night and visiting Congressional offices with their children all day Wednesday.

These constituents either had American children or were married to an American. They told heartbreaking stories of separation from family members who had been deported or were in the process of being deported.

When you came to office, you spoke early and often about rationalizing our immigration system. I know that task became more difficult after September 11, 2001. But as a new senator, I stand ready to work with you to pursue comprehensive reform that secures our borders, rationalizes immigration law, legalizes the current flow of workers from around the world, and creates a path to legal status for those millions of people who are here illegally now, but working, paying taxes, and playing by the rules.

These families are struggling to stay together, and family reunification should be a key component of immigration reform. I look forward to working with you to fix the system.

Sincerely,

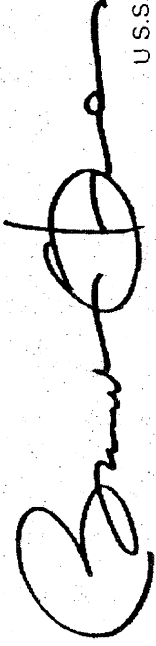


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