

Correspondence Fisher, Benson, 1972 December-
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January 3, 1973

Mrs. Benson Fisher
84 Ehrhardt Road
Pearl River, New York 10965

Dear Mrs. Fisher:

I have a copy of your letter to President Nixon and to Frank Carlucci enclosing your petition to alleviate the condition of residents in Wilkes-Barre following the flood.

In behalf of the Task Force and myself personally, I want to express our deep appreciation for your interest and thoughtfulness in showing your concern and implementing it by petition. I feel certain that the President and his staff will give every consideration to the points you make.

Seasons Greetings to you and the co-signers of the petition and our gratitude for your interest and concern.

Sincerely,

MAX ROSENN
Chairman

MR:cjr

84 Ehrhardt Road
Pearl River, New York
10965
December 14, 1972

The Hon. Max Rosenn
Chairman, Flood Recovery Task Force
P. O. Box # 1367
South Main Street and South Street
Wilkesbarre, Pennsylvania 18701

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of a petition being sent to President Richard M. Nixon and to his representative for flood relief in Wilkesbarre, Mr. Cariucci, on behalf of all whose situation could be alleviated by the actions we endorse and particularly on behalf of the residents of Wilkesbarre whose home ownership is so important to their sense of identity and whose lives are closely related to their own neighborhoods. My family worked as volunteers there this summer and have followed with interest reports of progress toward recovery.

Sincerely yours,

Barbara Fisher

Mrs. Benson Fisher

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To President Richard M. Nixon:

We, the undersigned, are concerned about the prolonging of the traumatic experiences suffered by thousands of people in the floods of 1972, by the failure to expedite their returning to their own homes and by the almost exclusive emphasis on providing temporary housing.

We appreciate the efforts to protect residents of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, for example, from shoddy amateur work and from incompetence and/or exploitation by unscrupulous contractors; but we are concerned that there are not enough contractors available in the area and that the "red tape" before a contractor can qualify discourages him, so that thousands of owners and tenants will not be able to occupy their former homes before winter sets in. Surely national unions could help work this out if appealed to by officials.

WE URGE THAT:

- 1) regulations applying to renovations be clearly stated in print and made easily available to all residents;
- 2) contractors and plumbers be encouraged to come to work from other areas in some way that will protect the residents without putting such contractors through aggravating and expensive "red tape";
- 3) get heat into every building which has a future;
- 4) get heat, and plumbing which will not freeze at street level, into every temporary housing unit.

Eligible Voters' Signatures

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