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City of Brook Park

Thomas J. Coyne, Jr. Mayor

November 7, 1995

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President Clinton
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Clinton,

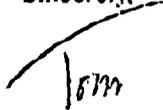
In my efforts to join your delegation to Ireland, I have reflected upon your mission and what it means to both the Irish in Ireland and the Irish in America. I have concluded that this is a time of the greatest importance in our struggle for self-determination and to attain a just and lasting peace. This is a time when every Irish-American can make a difference in affecting change. This is a time when you, as our President, can also affect change by taking a leadership role to take Ireland's peace process to the next level.

14 months after the IRA declared a complete cessation of military operations, there have yet to be all-party peace talks established. It is clear that the obstacles to peace have been created by the British government. I commend and thank you for the stand that you have taken in encouraging the British government to move forward.

As you visit with your esteemed delegation, I ask that you continue to use your influence to encourage and persuade the British government to promptly commence all-party peace talks without preconditions. If there is one message that I send to you and that I ask you to take on your mission it is that.

Thank you for your support. It will not be forgotten.

Sincerely,



Mayor Thomas J. Coyne, Jr.
City of Brook Park



"A JUST AND LASTING PEACE FOR IRELAND"

In our 800 year history of struggle and oppression, never has there been a more historical time for our people to attain peace. Never before in the history of Irish-America have we had a more able President to represent our need for peace at home. Never have we, as Irish-Americans, had a greater opportunity to affect a change in this struggle.

Today, we ask you President Clinton, to take a strong stand when you and your delegation visit Ireland next month. Please represent us by sending a very strong message to Britain that **ALL PARTY PEACE TALKS MUST BEGIN NOW**. The British government must be moved to drop all preconditions and to get all parties to the table to design a settlement based on internationally recognized democratic principles.

Thank you for your support of Irish-America. Thank you for your support of Ireland. Thank you for recognizing our struggle and our need to achieve a just and lasting peace. Thank you for taking a leadership role in moving all party peace talks forward. Don't give up the faith President Clinton. Just as you believe in us, we believe in you - and we can guarantee that no Irish-American voter in Cleveland will go without being reminded.

Thomas J. Coyne, Jr.
Mayor, City of Brook Park

Erin Sullivan
Executive Assistant to the Mayor
City of Brook Park

Eileen McNamara
Human Resources Commissioner
City of Brook Park

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Correspondence referred to: MLH JPH JE EB Rec PLM
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I. Presidential Response Needed-- Forward to Emily Curtis, 94

- Brief Acknowledgement
- Policy Response

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Return to IGA for final approval: MLH JPH JE EB

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Background information to assist the writer in drafting a response:

II. Response from Marcia Hale-- forward to Lawton Jordan

III. Scheduling Request-- forward to Bill Daley, 111.5
____ Regret _____ Pending _____ Prepare schedule proposal

IV. Personal Recommendation-- forward to Anne Swartz, Office of Presidential Personnel, 135.

V. Request for a Presidential Message (letter of greetings for an event) or Proclamation-- forward to Carmen Fowler, 91.

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