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Governor Dan Moore
The State of North Carolina
Raleigh N. Carolina 27600

Dear Governor Moore:-

I am one of your out-of-state constituents, and it's my professional career has been spent out of the state. I continue to identify with the state by the absentee ballot, state and property income tax commitment. As schedule permits I participate in state and community affairs. Just three weeks ago I participated in the Leadership Training program sponsored by the State Baptist Homes Convention at Shaw University.

I thought you might be interested in the enclosed letters.

Sincerely,
(Miss) Mary Miller
NURSE CONSULTANT

Ann Newton's Epistle

Christmas 1967
Easter 1968

Dear Friends,

At this momentous and tragic time in the life of mankind, the life of our nation, and the personal lives of Americans, I find it fitting to beseech each to search his conscience and to come to grips with himself once and for all. There must be a rededication where there is dedication, and dedication where none exists or where there is silent toleration of man's inhumanity to man.

Like Christ, Who lived upon this earth but a short time, Martin Luther King, Jr., taught us that if we would have peace we must learn to live with each other, regardless of our differences. Mankind grieves over this assassination of a great American, the second in a short time. We remember also the many other innocents who gave their lives for the cause of justice and freedom -- the children in the church bombing; the Civil Rights workers in Mississippi; Edgar Medgars; Colonel Penn.

These crimes bare the soul of our nation's shame before the world. If this great tragedy serves to shake us out of our lethargy to complete the unfinished task for which Dr. King gave his life, we can become a mighty force for justice and brotherhood. If this can be accomplished, and it must, this tragedy and untimely passing will not have been in vain.

And so at this critical period in our lives, I send you my love and best wishes. Let us reaffirm our faith and work toward the day when every man shall be free to hold his head high and to walk with pride and dignity in this our native land.

Mary Mills

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ROBERT F. KENNEDY
NEW YORK

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

May 6, 1968

Miss Mary Mills
7107 Ninth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Miss Mills:

Thank you for your letter about the tragic death of Dr. Martin Luther King, and the need for civil rights legislation and effective action to alleviate the problems of extreme poverty and deprivation in the United States today. I appreciated your taking the time to write to me and let me know that you share my deep concern in this vital matter.

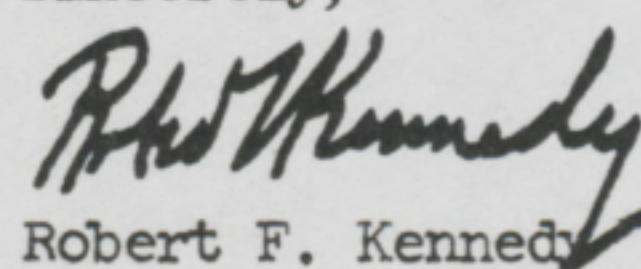
I believe that the time for bold and imaginative action is now. We must not delay efforts to eliminate the deprivation and alienation of the ghetto, and must take steps to insure that Negro Americans, and other victims of poverty in the United States, have an adequate diet, improved education, opportunities for employment, and decent housing. We must act to break the vicious cycle of dependency and hopelessness in which too many of our fellow Americans are trapped, and all of us must make a greater commitment to the achievement of these goals.

We can, of course, be encouraged by the passage of civil rights legislation. I was pleased to have your words of support for the Civil Rights bill recently passed by Congress and signed into Law. As you may know, I supported cloture motions and the open housing provisions considered during Senate debate on the bill, and voted for final passage of H. R. 2516. I am sure you were pleased, as I was, that the House adopted these open housing provisions.

This legislation will help, but Congress and private citizens must also take action to insure that other effective means to deal with these problems are developed and funded. You may know that I have introduced legislation to encourage private investment in housing and industrial development in urban areas. I believe that this is one of the steps we must take. I am glad to know that I shall have your support for programs which will help to make equality of opportunity a reality for all Americans.

Again, my thanks and my best wishes to you.

Sincerely,


Robert F. Kennedy

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ANN NEWTON EPISTLE

Draft
JUNE 1968

Dear Friends:

In so short a time, I must reach out to you once more. Only a month ago, I received a letter from the late Senator Robert Francis Kennedy in reply to the Martin Luther King letter. The letter which marked the tragic and untimely loss of that great American was circulated in many countries overseas and to friends and concerned persons here in America.

I share with you the first paragraph of his letter:

"Dear Miss Mills: Thank you for your letter about the tragic death of Dr. Martin Luther King, and the need for civil rights legislation and effective action to alleviate the problems of extreme poverty and deprivation in the United States today. I appreciated your taking the time to write to me and to let me know that you share my deep concern in this vital matter."

Robert Francis Kennedy, could it be that he had reached his zenith? Certainly, his impact upon the world and the lives of Americans in particular shall serve as a mighty force in the triumph for justice, we pray. He was at peace with himself and His Father. He had committed himself to the fulfillment that he was his brother's keeper. By providing clothes for the naked, food and drink for the poor, sharing with the stranger, his concern for the sick, for the widows and the orphans, for those in the twilight and for the young; truly it can be said of him as in Matthew 25:40 "as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it unto me."

He was a selfless man and like Elijah he took a position and made a stand for his convictions. Like Abraham Lincoln, he was unable to compromise with injustice. He was a man who was grieved for the cause of decency. It was not sufficient for him to sit by and do nothing about it.

The day is short, the task is long; it may or may not be our lot, individually to finish the task; Still we have a responsibility, you and I, and like runners in some remote hinterland village in Africa whose task it is to take the message and run with it to the next village, there it is taken from him by another runner who continues to run toward the next village and onward to its destination.

At no time does the message rest along the way enroute. And so it is with us, we must carry the lighted torch handed us our length of the way, not knowing how long or how far we will be permitted to go. Most important is what we do with those days that we are entrusted with the torch.

Like Lincoln and to so many others who had a vision and a dream that this great NATION of ours MUST fulfill its destiny that all men are created equal and that he had a role in its destiny, he was felled by an assassins's bullet. He left us in spectacular fashion; mankind will forever be reminded with startling impact of the virture, the humility, his day to day ups and downs, his day to day greatness and of his love for us that he laid down his life in the service of his country.

And so again I beseech you that there be a rededication where there is dedication, and dedication where none exists or where there is silent toleration of man's inhumanity to man.

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NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
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DEPARTMENT OF NURSE EDUCATION

AWARD TO MARY LEE MILLS
November 10, 1962

In a world fraught with tension and uncertainty; among peoples faced with rapidly changing ways and values...the need for courageous, understanding leadership and for unifying beliefs which respect the dignity of all men are of paramount importance. A fundamental concern for human beings; a love for people that bridges human frailties and international boundaries are attributes signifying Mary Lee Mills' citizenship in a world society.

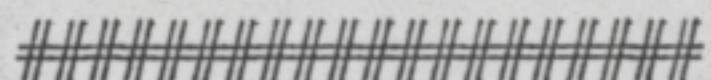
Born in North Carolina, Mary Lee Mills became a registered nurse following her graduation from the Lincoln Hospital School of Nursing in Durham, North Carolina. This was only the beginning of her search for knowledge. Baccalaureate, Master's and post-Master's study in Virginia, Maryland, and at New York University prepared her in the field of public health nursing and for international service. She became a Certified Nurse Midwife on completion of a study program at the Lobenstine School of Midwifery of the Maternity Center Association in New York.

Mary Mills' experience testifies to the effectiveness with which she has put to use the learnings she achieved: both in her own country and in other lands. As her leadership responsibilities have grown she has been more than able to meet the demands made upon her. Recognition of her outstanding service to humanity has been expressed in a number of ways, of which a few include:

- 1/ A student nurses' dormitory in Lebanon named Mills Hall in her honor;
- 2/ The Decoration of the Cedars for her valiant and generous services as advisor to the Ministry of Health in Lebanon;
- 3/ An Honorary Degree of Doctor of Science from Tuskegee Institute on their 75th anniversary;
- 4/ National Medals by both Liberia and Lebanon...the first time a Public Health Service Officer had been decorated by two foreign governments;
- 5/ The Knight Official of the Liberian Humane Order of African Redemption by the President of Liberia;
- 6/ Her portrait hangs in the Exhibit of Portraits of Outstanding Americans of Negro Origin;
- 7/ Certificate of Commendation, Republic of South Vietnam, 1964
- 8/ North Carolina Baptist Junior Mission Award, 1967

Mary Lee Mills stands for hope and courage. She exemplifies the enduring values men seek. She achieves unity in diversity and understanding in difference. She is a symbol of goodness and greatness.

To Mary Lee Mills, it is with deep appreciation of your many and significant contributions to world health and world understanding that we present this plaque.



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Human Relations

July 15, 1968

Miss Mary Mills
7107 Ninth Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Mills:

Thank you for your letter of July 2, with enclosures, which arrived while I was out of the country.

I share your concern for equal opportunity for all citizens of America, and appreciate your giving me the opportunity to read the late Senator Kennedy's letter and the other material you enclosed.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Dan Moore

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