

MORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

*Dale Droge
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March 1, 1972

TO: Chuck Colson ✓
Bart Porter ✓

FROM: Harry S. Dent *HSD*

This guy Droge makes a hit everytime he goes out on an engagement, and we continuously get mail like this.

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Honorable Richard M. Nixon
President of the United States
White House
Washington, D. C. 20013

Dear President Nixon:

On Monday evening, February 14, 1972, the Champaign County Republicans and other interested parties had an opportunity to listen to Mr. Dolf Droge. It is because of that that I am addressing this letter to you today.

In December of 1971 I attended the "Friends of Richard Nixon" program, heard Mr. Droge speak, and requested at that time that he appear in Champaign, Illinois. He did more in two hours when he spoke here Monday evening to revitalize our Republican organization locally than some of us have been able to accomplish in several years, and while I have written him a personal letter of thanks, I wanted to take this opportunity to both thank and congratulate you for having him as a part of your administration. If there were anyone in doubt about your handling of the Vietnam situation, those doubts have been erased as a result of Mr. Droge's presentation. All present were more assured than ever before that the reins of the country are in the most capable hands.

The meetings in December were most profitable, even apart from hearing Mr. Droge, and I am therefore looking forward with great relish to attending the Republican National Leadership Conference from March 1 through March 4 at the Hilton.

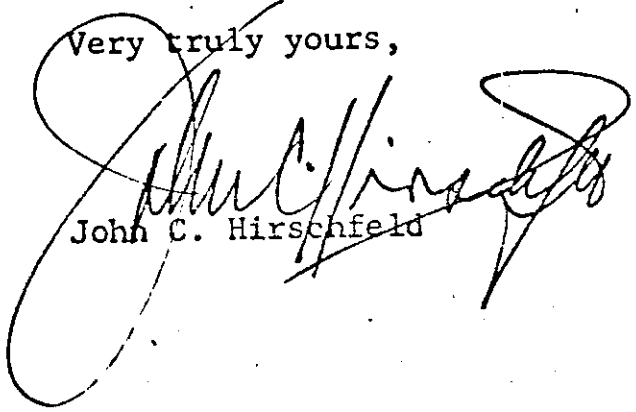
We here in Illinois feel that this is a key state, if not the key state, for guaranteeing your returning to the Presidency for four more outstanding years of leadership, and as I have said to the Republican Committee in the past, if I can personally be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to call or write.

President Richard M. Nixon

February 17, 1972

Again, my personal thanks to you and to all those connected with Mr. Droge, for making his time and talents available to the rest of the country. They make all of us feel a little wiser, as well as a little closer to the Republican Administration.

Very truly yours,



John C. Hirschfeld

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