



September 30, 1999

Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, U.S.N. (Ret.)
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Dear Admiral Zumwalt:

Mr. Welch has asked me to thank you for your letter of September 20 regarding the Ronald Reagan Institute for Public Policy.

The GE Fund, GE's philanthropic foundation, has as its primary focus efforts to improve the quality and availability of education. Because of the great need in this area, it is our general practice not to fund other kinds of programs, no matter how commendable the cause. Therefore we will not be able to participate in your program.

Again, thanks for thinking of us, and best wishes for success in your work.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: J. F. Welch
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