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Senator Robert Dole
3227 New Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20210

Mary?

Dear Mr. Dole:

My husband and I have recently moved to Kansas and plan to make this our home. We would like some information regarding housing and hope that you might direct our letter to the appropriate person.

The housing available in the area does not fit our needs so we are seeking advice and help in the planning of building a home.

I have Multiple Sclerosis and need a home with minimum architectural barriers. We are aware of many barriers that need to be avoided, but would like both more professional advice and the advice of people who have had experiences in devising their own adaptations. Is there some resource available ~~in~~ which would help us in planning the house or a way in which we might be able to have an architect design a home with the limitations involved.

Our second interest would be in the use of solar heating, if this area of Kansas would be suitable. Would there be any grant available for this?

We appreciate your help in referring this letter to appropriate people.

Sincerely,

Barbara B Barker

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Health/Handicapped

February 6, 1978

Barbara B. Barker
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Dear Mrs. Barker:

After receiving your letter, I made some inquiries in an attempt to locate the information which you requested.

As you might guess, much of what you asked for can be answered most accurately at the local level. Perhaps the Governor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, in Topeka, will have some advice on suggestions for you. Robert Mikesic is a consultant for the committee, and is a very conscientious young man. Their telephone number is (913) 296-5283.

Enclosed is the information which I was able to obtain. I hope that some of it will be useful to you. Also, I was told there are no sole energy grants available to individuals for use in their private homes.

Good luck in your work, and I am pleased that you are now a new Kansas resident. Feel free to contact me again if I may be of assistance later on.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE
United States Senator

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