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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

The Western White House San Clemente

April 3, 1973

Dear Bob:

Your vote today to sustain my veto of Senate Bill 7, the Rehabilitation Act of 1972, is not only deeply appreciated by me personally but by millions of Americans who demand that we work together to avoid tax increases, higher costs of living and boosts in interest rates.

As we know, there has already been a 75% increase in program levels for vocational rehabilitation in the past five years. To add another \$1 billion, distorting the basic objectives of the existing program and preventing effective management, would be irresponsible. We have a duty to defend the public's interest against badly constructed legislation.

I am sure your constituents are proud of your firm stand against excessive, unnecessary spending. I look forward to your continued support.

Sincerely,

Honorable Robert J. Dole United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510