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Dear Buddy:

Thank you very much for your recent letter to the President expressing your concern about the economic instability that could result from potential shortages in oil imports from the Persian Gulf in light of the recent Iraqi invasion of Kuwait.

We appreciate being apprised of your views regarding our country's dependence on foreign oil. In addition to sharing your comments with the President, I have taken the liberty of providing your remarks to several of his energy and foreign policy advisors so that they, too, are aware of your recommended approach to reducing U.S. dependence on foreign energy sources.

Thank you again for your interest in writing.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

Frederick D. McClure
Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable George W. Darden
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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August 3, 1990

Honorable George Bush
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I applaud your action to strongly denounce Iraq and bring economic and diplomatic pressure on that nation in the wake of its blatant assault on Kuwait.

This incident should bring renewed and necessary attention to the possibility of increasing oil prices. We must face head on our continuing dependence on foreign oil, and I believe you have the opportunity now to pursue a more aggressive energy policy, with a particular emphasis on conservation and alternative energy sources.

I call on you to bring together the leaders of science and industry to develop energy alternatives and conservation plans to reduce our unhealthy dependence on foreign energy sources, and I hope you can bring these leaders together soon to address the challenges of our energy future. I am convinced that private initiative and creativity motivated by national leadership is the best way to address this crucial matter.

I believe Congress will wholeheartedly support such efforts, and I look forward to working with your administration to find solutions that will protect our nation against the economic instability that could result from our current over-reliance on foreign oil.

Sincerely,

George (Buddy) Darden
Member of Congress

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