

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, D.C.
22 February 1973

Mr. and Mrs. Pablo H. Florez
4734 Blundel
Corpus Christi, Texas 78415

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Florez:

My secretary in Corpus Christi advised me of your visit to the office this week in the interest of your fine son, Rowland, and his desire to secure a nomination to the United States Military Academy this year.

I am pleased to advise you I have nominated Rowland for a Principal appointment to the United States Military Academy subject to his qualifying in the physical and scholastic examinations.

He will be notified by Academy authorities of the time and place of the examinations. It gives me great pleasure to give him this opportunity, and I wish him every success.

Sincerely yours,

John Young

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November 23, 1973

Mayor Maria O. Ponce
City of Gregory - City Hall
Box 297
Gregory, Texas 78359

Dear Mayor Ponce:

I was pleased that our mutual good friend, Dr. Hector Garcia, arranged for us to get together on the telephone regarding some of the very difficult problems being confronted by the City of Gregory.

I want to do all that I possibly can to be helpful to you in exploring Federal programs which might offer some prospect for assistance in the various problems which confront you. Accordingly, I made long distance telephone calls to Mr. Joe Swanner, Regional Director, Economic Development Administration, Austin, Texas, and asked that he get in contact with you and arrange for a member of his staff to meet with you. Although the Administration has already committed or curtailed funds for most programs at this time, I expressed to Mr. Swanner the hope that he and his staff would explore thoroughly the prospects for assistance to the City of Gregory under their public works impact program, and emphasized to him the special need you have for a fire house building and street and drainage improvements. I am also contacting EDA officials in Washington in order that everyone at all levels be made aware of the problem in Gregory and the need for help.

The problem you have regarding a garbage truck and dump truck appear to me to be most directly related to programs of the Environmental Protection Agency solid waste disposal program. Accordingly, I telephoned Mr. Paul Comola, EPA, Dallas, but he advised me that no funds were available through their office to assist with this problem at this time. I am sure that is true, at least in part, because the President ordered a reduction in funds appropriated by Congress for the solid waste program.

In addition to the above inquiries, I am also contacting HUD officials and will continue to work with you in an effort to identify any possible sources of assistance for the City of Gregory. In the meantime, I want you to know how much I enjoyed visiting with you on long distance; and I hope you will call on me on any matter in which you feel I can be helpful.

Sincerely yours,

John Young

cc: Dr. Hector Garcia