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House of Representatives
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Dr. Hector P. Garcia
American G. I. Forum of the U. S.
1315 Bright
Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Dr. Garcia:

It was most thoughtful of you to write about the editorial in the Corpus Christi paper. I believe that I touched on a sensitive subject with my colleagues here, particularly the northerners and easterners, but I know I am right.

I was glad to get the editorial and certainly thank you for your kind remarks. I will also try to see Chris Aldrete, because we need to do the very thing you mentioned.

Sincerely yours,


J. J. PICKLE

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

December 10, 1971

Dr. Hector P. Garcia
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Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Dr. Garcia:

Thank you very much for your letter on school busing. As you know, I have consistently voted against massive, forced busing and remain firm in the conviction that it does not solve our problems, economically or educationally.

On December 7, Chairman Emanuel Celler of the House Judiciary Committee, announced that hearings will be held on the proposed constitutional amendments early next year. I, and other members of Congress, have urged that these hearings be held. In my opinion, such hearings should have been held much earlier. Mr. Celler has promised a reasoned and thorough appraisal, and I hope that it will also be an expeditious one.

In the meantime, we are, of course, awaiting a decision from the 5th Circuit Court on the Austin plan. I support the Austin School Board's position and will continue to work closely with it, and with parents.

There is no greater responsibility than providing for the proper educational development of our children. You and I share this concern and your expression of genuine interest is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,


J. J. PICKLE

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