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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF

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The Honorable Hector P. Garcia, M.D.
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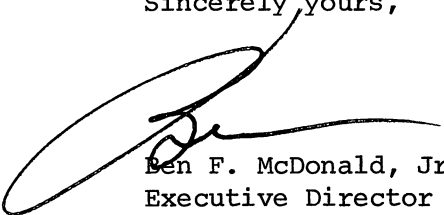
Dear Hector:

As you know, I have been criss-crossing the State speaking to local governments, city and county, and regional planning councils to insist that these groups give proper emphasis to the role of community-based organizations in their planning for manpower services as well as for the operation of manpower services.

I am enclosing a newspaper copy of a talk which I made the latter part of May to the regional council executive directors meeting in San Angelo. I specifically mentioned the necessity of considering the G.I. Forum, Veterans' Outreach and SER. While I do not have a complete run-down, I do believe that the efforts of Governor Briscoe and myself have been helpful in resolving some of these complex issues. Certainly, everyone would like to do more, but this sometimes proves impossible in view of the cut-back in funding and programs.

I hope you will keep in touch with me as I can assist and serve you.

Sincerely yours,



Ben F. McDonald, Jr.
Executive Director

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