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Ms. Susan Stunts
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Dear Ms. Stunts:

Below is my report for March, 1992.

I completed the first special session of the Florida Legislature in Tallahassee. We were successful in passing a piece of legislation entitled "Energy Efficiency" (enclosed) that pertains to schools in Florida, especially to community colleges. This is good legislation that will help N.E.M.I. in Florida.

Indoor Air Quality. I continue to work with the Florida AFL-CIO and Jim Carey from Ogilvy, Rinehart and Adams on the O.S.H.A. Federal Register. We were successful with all of our contacts and, therefore, compiled quite a list of data on Indoor Air Quality. I am being asked to make more Indoor Air Quality presentations.

The Good Morning America show last week had a great presentation on Indoor Air Quality. I notified Jim Carey to see if he could possibly obtain the tape of that program. I see the issue surfacing in Florida every day in newspaper and magazine articles.

Fair Taxes. The issue of taxes is the big issue in Florida and the lack of revenue. The Governor, Lawton Chiles, has vetoed the so-called "reality budget" and is pushing his "investment budget" which closes loophole exemptions such as trust funds, "S" corporations, and several others. The newspapers have been quoting Bob McIntyre from Citizens for Tax Justice.

The special session in Florida regarding the budget will be in April. We must have a balanced budget by the end of June according to our constitution. I will continue to educate our legislators and members on progressive taxes.

I presented the fair tax materials to the Young Democrats of Broward County, a very yuppie, progressive group of people who liked the brochures and the materials.

I presented the fair tax materials to a group of firefighters in Pembroke Pines, who currently are in negotiations with the city.

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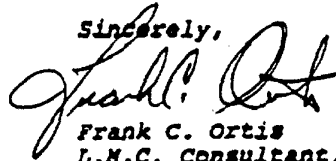
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Finally, I think we did well in our legislation this year, passing some good bills, but more importantly, defeating some very bad bills.

A major piece of legislation was the privacy bill that prohibits employers from firing workers who smoke on their own time.

I continue to work with support groups and expand my contacts every day.

Sincerely,



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