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DISTRICT OFFICE

July 12, 1984

Congresswoman Ferraro:

I was delighted to hear today of your selection as Walter F. Mondale's running mate. Being a New Yorker, and since my grandparents reside in your district, I have taken a great interest in your career since your initial election. I have found you to have a perfect combination of intelligence, competence, style, and a no-nonsense attitude.

I am confident that your presence on the ticket will bring victory in November. My reason for this belief is not the added women voters that your presence will attract. Mr. Mondale's choice signifies that he has the courage to pick the most qualified and electable individual, regardless of sex, race, or ethnic origin.

It will be foolish for Republicans to harp on your alleged lack of political experience. After all, one of their own, Richard M. Nixon, was elected Vice-President with less than six years in the legislative branch.

The Mondale-Ferraro ticket furnishes an added bonus for me. One of the main reasons that I was elected President of Penn College Democrats was to attract more women members. To date, our membership is roughly 10% women, which I find



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embarrassing. Now women will have more of an incentive to join College Democrats. This makes my job easier.

You can be assured that Penn College Democrats will work feverishly for your election, from September through November. Good luck in your campaigning this summer.

I would appreciate a brief personal response. I know you are very busy, but a personal letter from you would be very inspiring both to prospective women members and to College Democrats campaign workers. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Peter Fisch President,

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