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August 19, 1985

Mr. Thomas S. Tokuhisa
5838 North Jersey Avenue
Chicago, IL 60659

Dear Mr. Tokuhisa:

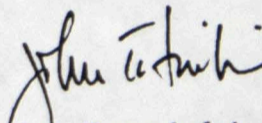
Thank you for your letter of August 12th regarding your exchange of correspondence with Congressman Madigan. I appreciate your keeping us informed.

Judging from the comment in Madigan's letter to you, I assume he returned your check primarily because he doesn't want to give the impression that he has been "bought off" to cosponsor HR442. Since contributions to elected officials is public information and since Madigan is a relatively conservative member of the House, I think his sense of caution is understandable, especially in view of the fact that you don't reside within his congressional district.

Regardless of all of this, I'd like to commend you most sincerely for your personal efforts to help secure passage of the legislation. We truly appreciate your commitment and support.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely,


John Tateishi

cc: Bill Yoshino, Midwest Regional Director

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August 12, 1985

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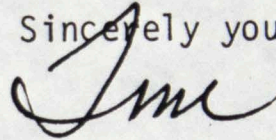
Dear John,

I sent Congressman Madigan (R. 15th Dist. IL) a letter (copy enclosed) with a contribution, because he is one of the few Republican congressman co-sponsoring H.R. 442. However, you can see from the reply, he returned my check. I can't quite make out his action. I called his office in Washington and they stated that he wasn't accepting political contributions from outside of his district.

I hope he isn't backing out.

I'm sending this to you for whatever its worth.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas S. Tokuhisa

Inc. as stated

P/S I live in the 11th Dist. (Frank Annunzio)

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July 10, 1985

Copy

Honorable Edward R. Madigan
House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Madigan,

My wife and I thank you for your support and co-sponsorship of the House of Representatives Bill H.R. 442, the Civil Liberties Act of 1985, a bill to implement the recommendations of the bipartisan Congressional Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC).

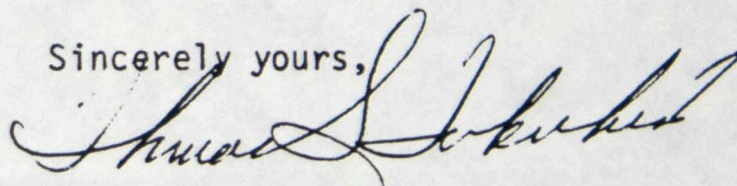
My family and I were among the 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry who were incarcerated without due process of law. We were in a group forced to live in horse stables at Santa Anita Race Track, Arcadia, California, from April 1942 to August 1942, then transferred to a god forsaken area called Heart Mountain, in northwestern Wyoming. From this "concentration" camp, I was inducted into the army, reporting to Fort Logan, Colorado. My World War II military service was concluded as a lieutenant, having served in the Army Corps of Engineers and the Counter Intelligence Corps, in the Pacific Theater. My wife and her family were initially confined at Portland Fairgrounds, then to a "concentration" camp near Jerome, Idaho.

The passage of this bill will provide symbolic redress to those surviving Japanese American and Aleutian citizens whose human and constitutional rights were violated during World War II, and also provide the opportunity to educate our citizenry so that such an occurrence would not be repeated.

Please continue to encourage your legislative colleagues to provide their support for H.R. 442.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas S. Tokuhisa

Member, R.N.C.

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

July 15, 1985

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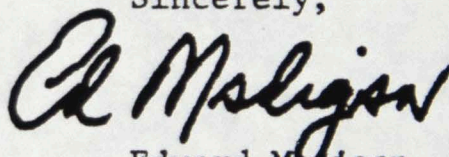
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Dear Mr. Tokuhisa:

Thank you for your recent letter and kind words regarding my support and cosponsorship of H.R. 442, the Civil Liberties Act of 1985. I appreciate you sharing with me the personal details of your relocation and internment experiences.

I must advise you that due to my interest in this legislation, I am returning the enclosed check.

Sincerely,



Edward Madigan
Representative in Congress

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