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The Honorable Michelle Obama
c/o The Obama Foundation
Harper Court - Suite 1140
Chicago, IL, 60615

Dear Michelle Obama:

Re: Addressing America's 30% Permanent Under-Caste

This is a plea from a 229-member monthly public-policy study group that I have facilitated for the past 18 years. Its participants from around the country include many attorneys and professors.

We thank you very much for all of your tireless efforts to make the nation and the world a better place!

As you may be aware, Jonathan Kozol has, for more than half a century, written award-winning best-selling books about inner-city education and how it has long-since produced and perpetuated a Permanent 30% Under-Caste (in other words, 100 million Americans) that the U.S. government continually reports is illiterate as defined by the ability to read the warning label on a can of rat poison.

We believe that there is NO EXCUSE for a self-respecting nation to continue to tolerate ignoring a Permanent 30% Under-Caste when "Identical Twin Studies" (the Gold Standard for determining what is genetic and what is environmental) --

consistently show when inner-city children were orphaned before their first birthdays where one identical twin was adopted by a suburban family and the identical other twin was adopted by another inner-city family --

that by adulthood, the identical twins adopted by suburban families generate Measured IQ's equal to average suburban Measured IQ's, while their identical twins adopted by inner-city families generate Measured IQ's equal to average inner-city Measured IQ's.

However, the prevailing SINGLE-DIGIT inner-city high-school graduation rates are NOT surprising when our inner-city children KNOW BY AGE 5 that they are NOT eligible for their dreams.

And that their only realistic career objectives are pimp or pusher, or girl friend of a pimp or pusher graduating to whore -- which, of course, do not require much education.

We believe that the nation faces a SOCIOLOGY problem, NOT an education problem -- one that requires de facto surrogate parents.

And that the best way to solve the challenge of our half-century-plus Permanent 30% Under-Caste is for the U.S. government --

1. To establish “magnet schools” that push the percentage of inner-city children to the maximum that will be tolerated by affluent parents, BUT ARE SO OUTSTANDING IN TERMS OF FACULTY, PROGRAMS, FACILITIES, ETC., ETC., that affluent parents will still want their children to attend.

2. To require that admission of an affluent student, AND THE AFFLUENT STUDENT’S CONTINUED ENROLLMENT, be conditioned on the affluent student and her/his family’s tutoring/mentoring a less-affluent student.

It is noted that the U.S. Supreme Court is unlikely to interfere because nobody is forced to attend Magnet Schools. And, unlike *Parents vs. Seattle School Dist. No. 1* (551 U.S. 701 (2007)), it is the federal government that is creating the Magnet Schools.

[And the Teachers Unions are unlikely to object since the Magnet Schools could be unionized and, with more inner-city children staying in school, the demand for teachers should increase.]

More information is contained in our E-mails that were personally requested by the former New York Times Editorial-Page Editor and that are available at <http://www.discussingliberally-saltlake.org/forum/viewtopic.php?f=587&t=1919&sid=57a23c4cd09dcc7dc7add136a3ef1ca0>.

Racism in America (vs. band aids for symptoms such as police brutality) can NOT be solved until America addresses effectively its Permanent 30% Under-Caste by establishing Federal Magnet Schools in which every child in America’s Permanent 30% Under-Caste is enrolled so that, with the passing generations, the stain of segregation is finally erased.

You may be wondering why we are addressing this plea to you.

(1) We believe that if you decided to run for U.S. President, you would easily win, and

(2) A cause such as described above (though not necessarily trumpeted as your *raison d’être* for running) might strike you as a cause worth surrendering your current life style.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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