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President Ronald Reagan
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to express my concern about the Pornography Commission's findings summarized in their final Report published recently. I believe it is imperative that the Commission's recommendations be implemented immediately. Out here in Los Angeles, there is so much crime against women, with one serial killer after another, namely, "Hillside Stranglers", "Prostitute Killers", "Nightstalkers", "Southside Slayers" and currently a "Blackout Rapist" cutting off apartment electricity before performing his dark crime, that action MUST be taken immediately to begin dispelling the "rape myth", etc. that spurs these criminals on in their vendettas against women. Pornography has been definitely linked to these degrading attitudes toward women, and we ask that you enable the Justice Department to prosecute the producers of illegal sexually explicit obscenity geared toward abuse of women and children--to prosecute to the fullest extent under the existing laws--vigorously and aggressively.

There is so much crime against women, one cannot go to the Santa Monica beaches without being victimized by exhibitionists practicing their "solo sex", masturbating before your very eyes, and this is common knowledge of both the Lifeguards and the Santa Monica Police Department. Women and children cannot stroll through a park unmolested; getting in an elevator with just one man in a parking garage is very dangerous; entering or leaving your car in a lighted city parking lot is exceedingly dangerous; considering walking in an alley is out of the question; public libraries are dangerous; laundromats are dangerous; walking past foliage on the streets is dangerous, etc.

We have generated a nation of fearful, paranoid (but unfortunately, REALISTIC) women and children, and pornography contributes to a large degree to the rampant escalation of criminal activity targeting them. When did you last hear of a man being afraid of any of the above-mentioned places?

Additionally, I understand some of the adult bookstores are equipped with booths where men enter to view pornographic films, while

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using a cut-out opening in the wall to insert their penis for anonymous sexual gratification from an anonymous rectum or mouth on the other side of the "peep-hole". An acquaintance of mine, a woman only 40 years of age, just died of the AIDS disease contracted from her boyfriend who told her, too late, that he was bisexual, and had contracted the disease from his visit to one of these booths in a Chicago adult bookstore. I understand, further, that it has been discovered that these booths' walls are covered with AIDS virus shed with the ejaculation of semen. I am sorry to be so graphic in description, but this is apparently what is happening in the "real world"--that which none of us wants to recognize. My letter is almost "X-RATED" in an effort just to describe what we must try to correct--I feel as nauseous writing this as you must feel reading it!

Mr. Meese and the Justice Department MUST be enabled and encouraged to prosecute to the fullest extent offenders of the existing laws, Mr. President. In consideration of crime and violence against women, sexual abuse of children and the breakdown of the American family, please, Mr. President, appoint Mr. Meese to personally supervise a strike force to oversee complete implementing of all recommendations contained in the Pornography Commission's Final Report. Something must be done, urgently, for our future in this society and for our children's future.

Words cannot express all of our thanks to you! God bless you!

Sincerely,

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