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October 30, 1986

MR. EDDIE ABRAMS  
HOUSE OF UNITY  
10700 MacArthur Boulevard, Suite 10  
Oakland, California 94605

Dear Mr. Abrams:

The Board of Directors, students of the After-School Academy, and I are grateful to you for your contribution of five-hundred dollars (\$ 500.00) to our program.

Your support will surely aid in our efforts to improve self-esteem and academic performance in our boys and girls.

We appreciate your interest in our Academy and are confident that this timely gift will aid in enhancing educational opportunities of the participants.

Sincerely,

Octavia W. Barlow



# The Oakland Alliance of Black Educators

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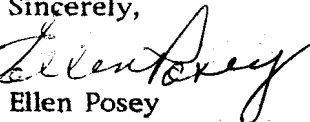
Edward Abrams, Founder  
House of Unity  
Oakland, California

Dear Mr. Abrams:

The Oakland Alliance of Black Educators (OABE) is proud to announce its Nineteenth Annual Spring Conference to be held on May 5-6, 2000 at the Oakland Marriott City Center. This year's theme "Education or Mis-education in the 21 st Century: A Challenge to the Village" will be explored in over 18 sessions and workshops designed to focus on strategies or programs that enable African American students to be more successful learners; teachers to be effective facilitators; and parents to be more effective nurturers.

This communique confirms your participation at our conference as recipient of the Living Legend Award. The Living Legend Award presented at our Annual Conference acknowledges individuals who are the cornerstones of our community. You will receive your award at our banquet on Saturday, May 6, 2000. The Banquet will be held in the West Hall of the Scotlan Convention Center from 8:00-10:00 PM. Upon your arrival, a member of the Registration Committee will direct you and your guest to your reserved seat.

We certainly appreciate your outstanding educational contributions as you present and highlight the social, religious, educational and political issues impacting the Oakland / Bay Area African American community. The Oakland Alliance of Black Educators also commends you for your unwavering support of our organization's goals of advocating for and empowering our African American students, educators and community.

Sincerely,  
  
Ellen Posey  
President



COMMANDER NAVAL BASE SAN FRANCISCO  
NAVAL STATION, TREASURE ISLAND  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94130-5018

25 August 1986

Dear Edward,

Flora and I can't tell you how much we enjoyed the Second Annual tribute to Black Parents Awards Banquet. It was without doubt one of the top programs that we have ever been able to witness here in the Bay Area.

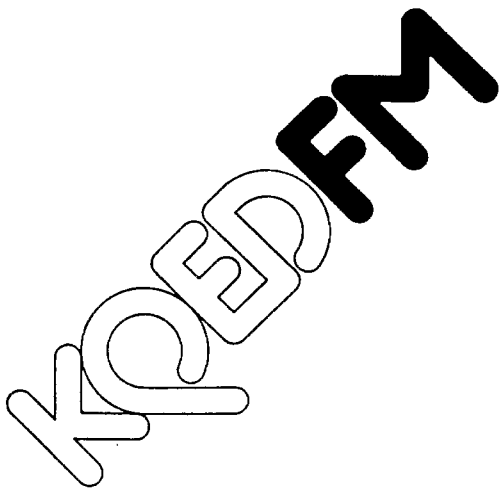
You are certainly on target Ed, stressing the fundamentals of family as the salvation and ultimate glory our communities and our country.

We heartily congratulate you for your hard work and significant success to date. Best wishes to you in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

R. L. TONEY  
Rear Admiral, U.S. Navy

Mr. Edward Abrams  
President  
Family Resource House of Unity  
10700 MacArthur Blvd.  
Oakland, California 94605



KQED-FM 88.5  
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June 2, 1989

Eddie Abrams  
Executive Director  
Family Resource House of Unity  
10700 MacArthur Blvd.  
Oakland, Ca. 94605

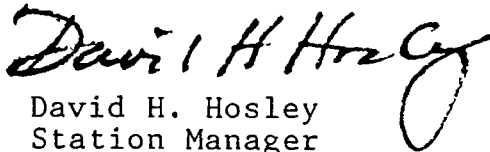
Dear Mr. Abrams,

Thank you very much for hosting the Public Affairs Directors Ascertainment meeting on Wednesday. We had a very good group of panelists, and KQED-FM will be able to use some of their information in programming.

I am contacting two of the panel members to ask them to audition for our Perspective series, which is a two minute commentary heard three times a day on KQED-FM.

Again, thanks for your efforts in making our meeting so worthwhile.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'David H. Hosley'.

David H. Hosley  
Station Manager

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August 3, 1987

Family Resource House of Unity  
c/o Mr. Eddie Abrams  
10950 Ettrick Street  
Oakland, CA 94605

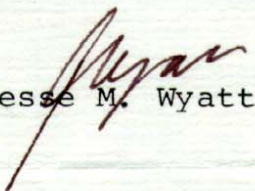
Dear Mr. Abrams:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the contributions you have made and the moral support that you have shown either the Babe Ruth 13-15 Year Olds, 6-12 Bambinos, Young America and the T/Ball Youth Program.

Your efforts have been invaluable, without your support we would not have experienced such a successful year. We do not know how to thank you enough for your generosity and we are overwhelmed by the sincerity of your efforts and continued support to such a needed program for our children.

Again, sincere thanks for your support and contributions!

Sincerely,

  
Jesse M. Wyatt and Staff



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DAY IN EAST OAKLAND

Family Resource House of Unity

May 31, 1989

Eddie Abrams  
Executive Director  
FAMILY RESOURCE HOUSE OF UNITY  
10700 MacArthur Blvd.  
Oakland, CA 94605

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(East Oakland Youth Development  
Corporation)  
8200 E. 14th St.  
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OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

1025 SECOND AVENUE, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA 94606

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, ADULT EDUCATION

Telephone (510) 879-8146 Fax (510) 879-1840

February 9, 1999

Mr. Eddie Abrams  
10950 Ettrick Street  
Oakland, CA 94605

Dear Mr. Abrams:

Thank you for serving on the Principal Selection Committee for the Edward Shands Adult School. I am keenly aware that your involvement and your contributions required a great deal of time.

Please be assured that your efforts in the selection process will have a long lasting impact on not only the successful candidate, but also on our students, staff, and collaborating agencies throughout the city.

Again, thank you for giving tangible support to adult education's vital role in our community-at-large. We count you as one of our valuable friends.

Sincerely,

Percy L. Julien  
Director of Adult Education

PLJ:ljl  
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OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

DEWEY HIGH SCHOOL  
3709 East 12th Street  
Oakland, California 94601  
(415) 534-1721

July 11, 1990

Mr. Edward Abrams, President  
House of Unity  
10950 Ettrick Street

Dear. Mr. Abrams:

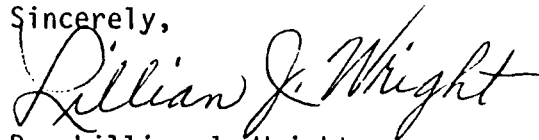
The 1989-90 school year was a most eventful one for the staff and students at Dewey High School.

It was the year for the school's Accreditation Review, an evaluation of the instructional program by the Western Association of Schools and the State Department of Education. I am happy to report to our friends, parents, and community that Dewey received the highest rating, a six year accreditation term. The support you provided to the school, certainly, helped to make this success possible.

For the many speakers who provided career information for the students, the counseling services from community organizations, invitations to special events, fieldtrips, career exhibitions, health services, donations of time and expertise, financial assistance, and positive publicity for Continuation Education programs, we are grateful.

Again, thanks for your personal involvement in helping to make this a year of outstanding accomplishments for Dewey High School.

Sincerely,



Dr. Lillian J. Wright  
Principal

LW/RR



OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

DEWEY HIGH SCHOOL

3709 East 12th Street  
Oakland, California 94601  
(415) 534-1721

May 29, 1990

Mr. Edward Abrams, President  
House of Unity  
10950 Ettrick Street  
Oakland, California 94605

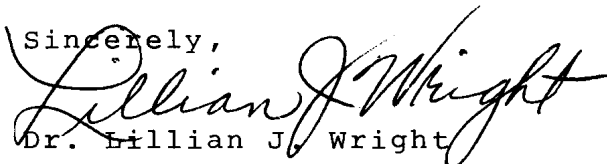
Dear Mr. Abrams:

We are indeed grateful to you for the most inspiring message you brought to the students at the Awards Assembly on Wednesday, May 23, 1990. Your message challenged the students to develop pride, confidence, respect, and love for themselves and black people. The characteristics of a real man were vividly highlighted and a much needed emphasis for young black males today.

Thank you for taking time from your very busy schedule to share these words of wisdom with Dewey students. You are indeed an asset to the Black race and the Oakland community.

May God continue to bless you in your quest to help others.

Sincerely,



Dr. Lillian J. Wright  
Principal

LJW:lm

P. O. Box 43345  
Oakland, CA 94624  
October 20, 1986

Mr. Edward Abrams  
Family Resources House of Unity  
Foothill Square  
10700 MacArthur Blvd #10  
Oakland, CA 94603

Dear Mr. Abrams:

Thank you for agreeing to allow The Oakland Black Writers Guild and The International Black Writers and Artists to use your facility in a joint benefit dinner to be held December 13, 1986.

As agreed, Barbara Cheatham and myself have agreed to avail ourselves to your organization as volunteer workers. We hope we can assist you in getting your organization to a point where the public is definitely aware of your services.

You may contact either of us should you need us in the meantime.

Sincerely,



Mary Jo Johnson  
President  
Oakland Black Writers  
Guild



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January 23, 1989

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To whom it may concern:

SOULBEAT TV has found the House of Unity to offer a wide variety of programs and to be a valuable asset to our television station as well as the Oakland community at large. Edward Abrams, Director of the House of Unity, was the recipient of our 1988 Civic Award. SOULBEAT TV will be utilizing the facilities of the House of Unity for the video taping of our talent program, and will participate in on-going fundraisers for the House of Unity SOULBEAT TV NETWORK will promote the activities of the House of Unity and its' services. We hope that you will support this outstanding community center.

Sincerely, yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chuck Johnson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Chuck Johnson

Executive Producer/President

CJ:teg

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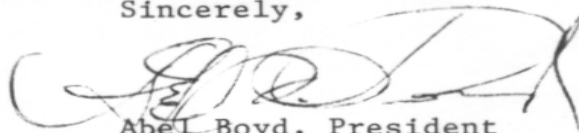
Mr. Eddie Abrams Family  
House of Unity 10700  
Foothill Blvd. Oakland,  
CA 94605

Dear Mr. Abrams,

The Cathedral Choir wishes to thank you for your co-operations, kindness, generosity and support of our event at your facility.

Without you it would not have been the success it was. We do hope to work with you again in the future.

Sincerely,



Abel Boyd, President

Aleta Cannon. Chairperson Ways and Means

AC: ac

"Catch the Spirit"

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November 6, 1995

Mr. Eddie Abrams  
Family Resource House of Unity  
9964 MacArthur Blvd.  
Oakland, CA 94605

Dear Mr. Abrams:

The Staff and Management of **THE SOULBEAT TELEVISION NETWORK, INC.** has unanimously selected you, Mr. Eddie Abrams to receive our SOULBEAT T.V. **Humanitarian** award. Enclosed are two complimentary tickets for this year's **Seventeenth Annual Hollywood Awards Ball & Dinner**. The attire for the gala is formal; Evening gowns for ladies and black tuxedos for gentlemen. The color scheme for the evening will be Black and Gold.

SOULBEAT is again proud to honor it's Advertisers and Friends after 17 years of making a visual difference in the Oakland Bay Area.

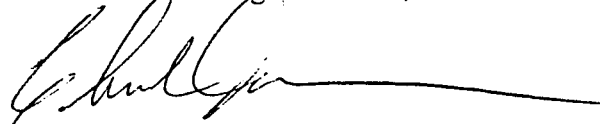
The date and location of this year's star studded gala event are as follows:

*November 25, 1995  
Scottish Rite Temple  
1547 Lakeside Drive (Across From Lake Merritt)  
Oakland, California*

The annual Nationally Televised Drive-Up is at 6:00 p.m., with a no-host bar, cocktails and jazz. Your Hosts will be SOULBEAT's own Al Ballard and Charla Duke. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. Show time is 8:00 p.m.

We hope you will accept the honor of this award and can attend on the above date as one of our honored recipients. You may order additional tickets for your special guests at \$50.00 each as seating is limited and assigned on a first come first served basis. If you are unable to attend or need additional information, please call Pam Stearne or Debbie Jones at (510) 444-4557 at your earliest convenience.

Thanks and Congratulations,



Chuck Johnson, President  
Executive Producer

CJ/dj  
Enclosure

*The First African-American Owned Television Network - Since 1968  
3944 Foothill Boulevard, Oakland, California 94601*



June 27, 2002

INTERNATIONAL  
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CHANNEL 27



Mr. Eddie Abrams  
O.U.R.S. Hour  
10950 Ettrick  
Oakland, CA 94605

Re: **SOULBEAT African International Television Network -  
Twenty-fourth Annual Hollywood Awards Ball and Dinner**

Dear Mr. Abrams:

Congratulations! The Staff and Management of **The SOULBEAT African International Television Network** have unanimously selected you, Eddie Abrams, to receive our distinguished **Cinematographer of the Year Award**.

SOULBEAT is again proud to honor its advertisers and family members after 24 years of making a visual difference in the Oakland Bay Area.

The attire for the celebration is formal – evening gowns for ladies and black tuxedos for gentlemen. The color scheme for the evening will be *Black and Gold*.

SOULBEAT will present this highly acclaimed Award on Saturday, August 17, 2002 at the Scottish Rite Center located on Oakland's beautiful Lake Merritt.

Enclosed are two complimentary tickets for our **Twenty-fourth Annual Hollywood Awards Ball and Dinner**. Also enclosed, you will find other appropriate information. You may order additional tickets for your special guests at \$100.00 each as seating is limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

If you need additional information, or to R.S.V.P., feel free to call Special Events at 510.777.1400. Again, Congratulations and we look forward to seeing you there!

Pamela Stearne, Executive Vice President  
General Manager

Enclosures

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*The San Francisco*  
**FOUNDATION**

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May 19, 1989

685 Market Street  
Suite 910  
San Francisco, CA 94105  
(415) 543-0223

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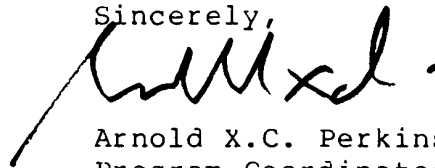
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Enclosed is a check for \$5,000 payable to Family Resource House of Unity. This contribution is at the request of Eddie Abrams, who is a recipient of the Daniel E. Koshland Civic Unity Award. As part of this award he has designated your agency as a recipient of these funds.

Please acknowledge receipt of the above by signing and returning the form attached to the check.

Sincerely,



Arnold X.C. Perkins  
Program Coordinator  
Koshland Awards Program

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**CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES**  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515  
**April 18, 1989**

Eddie Abrams  
Executive Director  
Family Resource House of Unity  
10700 Foothill Blvd.  
Oakland, California 94605

Dear Eddie:

I received the invitation from the San Francisco Foundation to the reception honoring you and the other recipients of the Daniel Koshland Civic Unity Awards. I regret that congressional commitments in Washington, D.C. precluded my attending.

The editorial in the April 11th edition of the Oakland Tribune entitled "Vive les volunteers" was a well deserved tribute to volunteers in the Elmhurst district who have worked tirelessly toward the betterment of their community. You are among the stalwart volunteers. I commend you for all that you continue to do to make a difference in the lives of others.

Your good deeds have not gone unnoticed and I am pleased to join your admirers in publicly thanking you for a job well done.

Sincerely,  
  
Pete Stark  
United States Congressman

PS:mjs

# Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation

Oakland Parents in Action

August 27, 1986

Organizer

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Abrams  
FAMILY RESOURCE HOUSE OF UNITY  
10700 MacArthur Blvd., Suite #10  
Oakland, CA 94605

Dear Ed and Rose:

My sincere congratulations on what was a tremendous event! I use the word tremendous consciously because I know what kind and amount of work went into putting it on. Everything was done in a first-class way. I think that this is so important. We have the resources and the ability to do things "correctly." Thank you for running things in a timely way. It is time that we realize that timing is a very important facet of life. When things are done in a "timely" manner they run more smoothly and we are able to tap into "universal energies."

Thank you for asking me to be a part of your dream.  
Warmest personal regards to both of you.

Sincerely,



Joan A. Brann  
Project Director/Vice President  
OAKLAND PARENTS IN ACTION  
PACIFIC INSTITUTE FOR RESEARCH  
AND EVALUATION

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