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Food Stamp

October 28, 1975

Mrs. Nettie M. Albin
883 S. Ohio Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43206

Dear Mrs. Albin:

Thank you for your recent letter pointing out the need for food assistance by older Americans.

Assure you that the bill Senator McGovern and I have introduced will continue government support for nutrition programs for older Americans. In particular, many one and two person households will have their food stamp allotment increased under the terms of our bill since we are attempting to direct food stamp benefits to those most in need of assistance.

Thank you again for writing and if I may be of assistance on this or on other matters in the future, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely yours,

BOB DOLE
U. S. Senate

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Sen. Robert Dole.

George McGovern:

In our newspaper The Columbus Dispatch, October 3rd. You had a Column in it which said Food Stamp Program Revision Proposed by McGovern, & Dole.

I am Seventy three years old and I can assure you I am not senile.

I want to tell you what the welfare does to us old people in the State of Ohio, and our town here in Franklin County.

In November 1974 they took us old people off of welfare and put us on SSI. They cut us off of all the help we got. Most all of us which they did me. Even took our food stamp away from us.

We are old, get the welfare kept the young unemployed and even some that were

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working.

Some of the men and women making
Seven-eight nine thousand dollars
a year.

The ones that are unemployed they
give them with a family of two three
or four \$25⁰⁰ a week free food stamps.
And then getting their unemployment
check amounting from one hundred
to one hundred thirty five dollars a
week.

Still us old people some of us only get
from 84-85 to 100 dollars a month to
pay rent gas, electric, telephone and
try to buy us some thing to eat.
Not one of us has got an increase to
buy us some food as high as it is -
of course we are going hungry no clothes
for years, I have to have special food on
account of ulcers and special shoes as
I have a turned ankle.

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There are thousands of us that can not go out to have a warm meal where they serve them.

Regardless of what little we get from Social Security us old people over Seventy years old should get free food stamps.

In our Sunday paper to day there was an article in it says Food stamps Hearings to open, above it said Change needed, all sides agree.

Of course it needs changes.

Right here in my block where I live there are people sending their children to get a free breakfast free lunch free clothes.

The mother and father both have a car. and their older son has a car and drawing unemployment.
all the familys have one two some three dogs.

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They send the kids to get free lunches and feed their dogs.

All smoke Cigaretts have drinking parties.

us old people siting Cold and Hungry. It should not be like that for us old people.

We worked hard all our lives much harder then the young people today. But we did not work very long on Social Security, and what time we did they did not take out very much on our pay checks.

Mr McGovern if you could find a way to appropriate some money to help us old people get enough to help us live, pay our high rent, and to live over the poverty line that we could buy us some thing to eat, and get us some worn clothes, you would win by a land slide when you run for

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President -

We need some assistance now and I do not know what to do to get it. Several articles were in the paper last winter they were going to help the old people with the high gas, and electric bills, but they never did. I paid over two hundred dollars more last winter on gas and electric than I ever did in my life, and I was sick most all winter, I been sick three weeks all ready with a bad cold ear ache, headache, chest pains. And the winter weather has not started yet.

Please help us old people to get some food stamps and some help now.

Thank You.

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