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THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM WAS SENT BY ME TO PRESIDENT NIXON WEDNESDAY EVENING, URGING HIM TO SIGN THE ENERGY EMERGENCY BILL. JENNINGS RANDOLPH

THE PRESIDENT THE WHITE HOUSE

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

WITH BOTH THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE HAVING ACCEPTED THE CON-FERENCE REPORT ON THE ENERGY EMERGENCY ACT BY OVERWHELMING VOTES. THIS LEGISLATION WILL REACH THE WHITE HOUSE FOR WHAT I HOPE WILL BE FINAL ACTION WITHIN SHORT TIME.

THE APPROPRIATE FINAL ACTION, IN MY JUDGMENT, WOULD BE FOR YOU TO PLACE AN APPROVING SIGNATURE ON THIS MEASURE. IT MAY NOT BE PERFECT LEGISLATION IN EVERY PARTICULAR, BUT I BELIEVE THAT, ON BALANCE, ITS FEW SUBSTANTIVE DEFICIENCIES ARE OVERWHELMINGLY OFF-SET BY VITALLY NEEDED PROVISIONS.

I AM CONVINCED WE ARE IN A DEEPENING ENERGY CRISIS AND THAT THE ENERGY DIRECTORS AND ADMINISTRATORS IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH NEED NOW === OR SOON WILL NEED === NUMEROUS OF THE AUTORIZATIONS AND MANDATORY PROVISIONS IN THE CONFERENCE VERSION OF THE ENERGY EMERGENCY ACT. THESE WILL BE NEEDED IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SOLUTIONS FOR THE PROBLEMS IMPOSED ON MILLIONS OF UNITED STATES CITIZENS AND OTHER PERSONS WHO ARE INCREASINGLY BEING INCONVENIENCED AND HARMED BY THE GASOLINE AND OTHER ENERGY SUPPLY AND RELATED SHORTAGES.

YOUR SIGNATURE ON THE END PRODUCT OF THE CONFERENCE WOULD BE
IN CONSONANCE WITH THE DECISIONS OF BOTH HOUSES OF THE CONGRESS AND
WILL HELP AMERICA AND MILLIONS OF CITIZENS IN THIS TIME OF IMBALANCE
AND SHORTAGES.

U. S. SENATOR JENNINGS RANDOLPH

18:32 EST

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