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Ruby Duncan OPERATION LIFE 400 West Jackson Street Las Vegas, NV 89106

Ruby dear,

I'm enclosing a check for Operation Life for \$6,000.

It is an expression of my confidence in the work of our organization, and the pride I feel in being part of it.

It also comes with the particular hope that it may insure a salary for you, the director. I find it unconscionable that Operation Life should go forward with you doing the hustling for money for its support, and the organizational caring for its people and projects, and most of all, taking the terrible brunt of Nevada's welfare establishment and Governor's harassment, - all as the result of the success of your work for the poor women and children of that community - and still leave you without the security of a salary!

I think Operation Life's Board should be asked to review the situation now, and in the light of the current legal houndings, decide how the Board is going to make certain the work goes forward. And my view of that is that the Board needs to make certain your salary. Let the enclosed check be used, if possible, to contribute to that effort for the next few months. I for one do not wish to remain on a Board which does not pay its hard-working director.

Love to you, and thanks to all who have stood by Operation Life through this hard winter.

Maya