

December 14, 1982

Dr. Robert S. Albert  
1096 Harvard Avenue  
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Dear Dr. Albert:

It was good of you to continue your regular support of the children presently served in our agency's programs, and I want you to know how much your continued support is appreciated.

I also want to ask your counsel on a matter. We have been thinking of possibly trying to get in touch with some of the adults who were once residents of the Jewish Children's Home to compile a volume of recollections of life there. In your opinion would the former children in care be receptive to such a request and willing to cooperate. Do you believe that the issue of privacy is important enough for us to plan that such a *volume*, if it can be produced, should not identify the respondents by name? Since this is an area which I believe you have some expert knowledge, I would greatly appreciate your thoughts and comments.

Most sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Viola W. Weiss  
Executive Director

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Dec. 17, 1982

Dear Mrs. Weiss:

Thank you for your letter  
of December 14<sup>th</sup>. I am  
happy I can continue the  
little support of the Jewish  
Children's Home. I wish I were  
more. What times these are!

In answer to your questions  
regarding getting in touch  
with other former residents  
of the Home for a volume of  
recollections: I think, in these  
times, it would be a wonderful  
effort. People are far less  
sensitive to their pasts than  
years ago, even when there  
was pain during them.

But you must remember,  
as with me and my brother Louis,  
the Home was a case of hope  
and care, and that, I am  
sure, is still recalled, or  
should be. Just approach  
it - The subject - as you  
have with me; I feel many  
will be responsive to the  
kindness and your effort  
to keep the earlier connect-  
ion alive. As for names  
being included, you might  
suggest that is the individual's  
choice whether or not to  
be identified. A few might  
care for various reasons.  
But I doubt that many  
will.

Thank you for asking  
me and including me in  
your concern -  
with best regards -  
Robert Allen