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February 18, 2003

To: The Honorable Senate Finance/Assembly Ways and Means Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this letter of support in regarding the work Jackie Crawford, Director, Dept. of Corrections, is doing with the HIV Programs, and the community. The discharge planning program for HIV+ inmates that are being discharged from prison has significantly reduced recidivism.

As Executive Director of the AIDS Community Cultural Education Program and Training (ACCEPT), I am highly sensitive to the growing need for HIV/AIDS Prevention Program assistance in Northern Nevada. At this time, trends indicate that the African American community is contracting HIV/AIDS at an alarming rate, faster than any other population in the United States.

There is a great need for HIV/AIDS Prevention Education and relative care and treatment programs in Nevada developed through strong partnerships in order to reach every segment of our population.

In a collaborating effort, the Dept. of Corrections and ACCEPT has partnered through the Prison Outreach Prevention Program (POPP) in providing educational tools for inmates who are infected or affected by HIV/AIDS. The Dept. of Correction is the ideal state agency to implement and establish the leadership necessary for providing effective HIV/AIDS prevention services to inmates being discharged and released back into northern and southern Nevada. The enthusiasm to reach minorities and all that will listen to the HIV/AIDS prevention message, and to integrate care and treatment through a comprehensive inmate release program, will create another progressive strategy for fighting HIV/AIDS in Nevada.

I fully support the Dept. of Corrections and their efforts to implement an integrated HIV/AIDS Prevention and discharge planning program.

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide this letter of support. Feel free to call me at (775) 348-2050 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

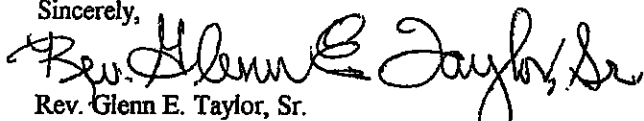

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The attached letter of support is for Jackie Crawford, Director, Dept. of Corrections, and the HIV+ discharge planning program. Thank you in advance for your perusal.

In His Service,
Rev. Glenn E. Taylor, Sr.

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