

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND

MAYOR JOSEPH A. DOORLEY, JR.

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Dear Ivan:

I have been informed by members of my own Congressional delegation, who fully support the concept of the poverty program, and from other numerous sources that the authorization bill for the Office of Economic Opportunity is in for "rough sledding" and as one newspaper source said "a real bloodletting". Needless to say I do not have to tell any municipal chief executive what this will mean to the programs under way in his city.

It is not my intention to be gored to death without witnessing the bull in action. I urge those of you who share my concern to join me in Washington this week so that we can properly demonstrate our interest.

I may be contacted at my office on Monday or at the Congressional Hotel in Washington on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Very truly yours,

eseph A. Doorley, Jr. Mayor of Providence