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Mr. Frank A. Traglia, Chief
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Dear Mr. Traglia,

Some months ago I asked Ms. Linda Kinna to ascertain how much the State spent on medical assistance for my wife and me when we needed that assistance. Your response is dated January 6 of this year. It bears no file number.

While I regret the money we expected was considerably delayed reaching us it has. I have delayed sending you the enclosed check for \$555.67 only long enough for the check to us to clear the banks.

We are happy to repay this so that you may have the funds to use for others. We very much appreciate the help that was available when we needed it.

Now that it is certain I can have no ulterior purpose in it I want to say that within my experience Ms. Kinna is a credit to public service. To my personal knowledge and observation she has come as close as I believe to be humanly possible to meeting her dual obligations, to the State and to applicants for assistance.

While on the one hand she required the proper proofs, on the other hand she was always considerate, compassionate and understanding. And in every possible way helpful.

It was not easy for me to reach my 60s and for the first time have to seek public assistance. But I must tell you that I cannot exaggerate my gratification that when it was necessary I was fortunate enough to be served by as fine a human being as Ms. Kinna was in all our meetings and dealings. The State and we are fortunate to have her services.

You may not be the proper official so I ask that in some manner this expression of appreciation be forwarded and incorporated in her employment record. I cannot imagine anyone more deserving of it.

I wish it were possible for me to thank those unknown to me who were also helpful.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

JL: This is only part. For a couple of years we made it on food stamps. I know. I did the grocery shopping.