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To: "C M ALLEN" <pfeiff16@msu.edu>
Cc: <allenwi@msu.edu>
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Carol and Bill,

Thanks very much for having invited me to participate in this important program. Unfortunately I cannot participate in the Gross Point conversation. As you correctly noted, I did express interest in participating in your project and remain interested.

Best,

Curtis

----- Original Message -----
From: C M ALLEN
To: stokes@msu.edu
Cc: allenwi@msu.edu
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2006 3:21 PM
Subject: Followup on conversation with William Allen re: TAFM debate

Dear Professor Stokes,

I write to invite you to participate as the speaker who would speak in support of affirmative action preferences at a debate on this topic to be held at Grosse Point Unitarian Church on Sunday, October 22 at 12:30 pm. Your debate opponent would be William Allen.

I believe that William has already spoken with you about the organization that is sponsoring the debate, which is Toward A Fair Michigan (TAFM). TAFM is a 501(c)(3) educational organization, which William cofounded with Barbara J. Grutter in 2005. One of TAFM's primary activities is to sponsor debates on the topic of affirmative action, to help educate voters about this important public policy prior to the November 2006 vote on the MCRI ballot initiative. You can learn more about TAFM by visiting our website at www.towardafairmichigan.org.

It is my understanding that you recently informed William that you would be interested in participating in one of the debates (schedule permitting).

I am attaching to this letter the standard letter of invitation that we send when recruiting speakers, along with another letter that provides additional information. Some of the information in these letters may already be known to you as a result of your discussions with William.

For the debate on October 22, TAFM will be able to provide you with an honorarium of $250 and cover your mileage.

It would be most helpful if you could let me know within the next week (so, by August 4) if you are able to participate in this debate.

Thanks so much for your consideration of this invitation.

Best wishes,

Carol Allen
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