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Re: Re: Executive Order Consideration:

<u>United States Marriage Sustainment Act</u>: To ensure effective stewardship of Department resources to enhance and protect the health and well-being of every American marriage, and to assist in public interest, provide awareness, security, and safety to help sustain marriage success and promote added value for marriage education across all government agencies when applicable, to assist in "keeping America informed", MARRIAGE will be listed as an Issue, Title, and Category to promote and advance marriage success across all government Departments and Agencies for the benefit of ALL the people.

Dear Mr. President,

Thank you for taking the time to consider my idea the **United States Marriage Sustainment Act** for *all* the American people. It is my honor to present this to you and your Administration. I am the founder of Womenspath Org. Inc., and trademark owner of the Marriage Sustainment ActTM, writer and author of the All States Marriage Sustainment Act United States Handbook—which was published April 2020 and has been accepted by the Library of Congress (being delivered today), the All States Marriage Sustainment Act Florida Handbook, and The All States Marriage Handbook for Keeping a Lifetime ©.

Marriage is a health crisis. The marriage population is in dire need of help. Please consider an Executive Order: The **United States Marriage Sustainment Act**, (or America's Marriage Sustainment Act)—for America. The United States Marriage Sustainment Act puts marriage on the map. The Act requests federal government agencies to include in all appropriate support systems — "Marriage".

The topic "Marriage" is barely represented within the government agencies. <u>Marriage is not listed as an ISSUE</u>, and is rarely a searchable <u>Title</u>, or <u>Category</u>. Please consider as Executive Order that all Departments and all pertinent agencies include *marriage* as a searchable, and educational, health, and science topic.

The federal government, because marriages cross all state lines— can provide and *keep a* safe and trusted universal system of resources for all American married people. Federal government agencies report marriage dysfunction, marriage violence, labor issues, family fragmentation, a need to safeguard our children, assistance needed for women, trafficking, drug issues, poverty,

mental healthcare needs, and a weakened America— because of marriage failure. <u>The American</u> people need unrestricted access to the existing tools, pamphlets and materials, and education, and to receive the benefits of new research, sciences, and all resources that are needed to keep their <u>marriage promises</u> safe. America can be stronger when marriages are healthier.

There is wide gap in the government system. Please protect the lives of the American public and future generations by streamlining the federal programs, and assist in furthering the public interest and awareness by adding value and interest in <u>marriage sustainment</u> and marriage education—and promote access across all government agencies, "ensure effective stewardship of Department resources to enhance and protect the health and well-being of every American" <u>marriage</u>.

The Act is inline in keeping the US government commitment to Americans; "Putting America's health first" and, "keeping America informed". Whenever possible, government programs can be shared and available for *all Americans of marriage* no matter rich or poorer— to protect the rights of individuals in marriage and help save marriages, because all marriages are at risk.

The <u>marriage contract</u> being between just two unique people requires an enormous responsibility on each individual. <u>Marriage is a health crisis and needs strategy.</u> Government programs are already in place offering immediate trusted assistance and couples will use the keyword MARRIAGE to find these resources.

The Marriage Sustainment Act gets marriage on the map. Marriage is not just a local issue—it is an American issue. Much more work needs to be done in existing marriage education because the fail rate proves the existing system is inefficient. I believe with minimal effort a marriage system can become strategic and efficient— for self-directed use by the general public. Couples need to know the root science—the information the experts wish they could get into the hands of the masses—for the welfare of all the people. Federal government reaches the masses quickly—and we are in a crisis.

The attention span of seekers to sustain a troubled relationship is likely to fail. People need to get what they want and when they need it for marriage success. To eradicate the failure American marriages continue to suffer, the discipline and responsibility is born on the individual of each partner in marriage. The federal government can assist making this responsibility more achievable, and assist in the protection of the lives of the American people by making it easier to find help for marriage. The fail rate is about 50%. Historically, great marriages are few.

The United States Marriage Sustainment Act makes marriage matter more— and creates the wellness awareness. But there is much more needed. The rights of spouses as individuals are not fully protected and laws need to be improved and updated by the states.

For example, a <u>Marriage License Disclosure at application</u> could potentially save lives, or prevent problems that may surface in the longer term. <u>Rarely do important contracts not include</u>

<u>disclosures</u>. Would you consider making this a federal mandate. It is a first step reminding couples marriage is a lawful act and is governed by law. I am seeking legislative representation to support this bill idea in Florida, however, I have included my version of the Marriage License Disclosure in my United States handbook.

Marriage needs to be a standalone legislature.

- The *United States Marriage Sustainment Act* creates the marriage success initiative.
- The lifetime contract between two people requires a unique set of protections —different unique protections other than the Office of Children and Families, and other agencies, but protections just for couples and the union of marriage.
- Marriage health has its own unique needs in government to <u>protect individual American people</u> as life partners. Federal Departments and Agencies can and should include marriage sustainment resources.
- To improve the marriage health system—mental health, behavioral regulation, and emotional intelligence, and other advances and science, will support marriage success.
- Please consider MARRIAGE in the new budget.
- Whenever divorce is supported in government, marriage sustainment should be side by side.

To ensure this very important Executive Order is embraced long term all States can build on this progress and improve policy and practice—for long term goals by statute. Other considerations agencies or states may wish to consider:

- Stimulus checks—should be individual checks not payable jointly.
- A spouse should be legally notified if a married partner is served legal forms, is arrested, charged or warned.
- Credit issues affecting both partners should require the spouse to be notified.
- Insurance forms for example, under-insured—uninsured motor vehicle rejection validation protection is faulty, insufficient and does not protect the spouses.
- A Marriage License Disclosure advising couples at the time of marriage license application about their rights and other important informative considerations should be a federal mandate.

Summary:

The United States Marriage Sustainment Act puts marriage on the map. The Act requests government agencies and Departments to include marriage as an issue and category and include informative resources. The Act will protect marriage by allowing when possible—restricted and existing government policies and programs to be shared and available to *all Americans* no matter rich or poorer, because all marriages are at risk. Providing the existing programs and publications across agencies so that the American public can have access to—and easily find this important educational information no matter the financial status of the person, to safeguard the well-being of the American married people.

The Act can be sustained and maintained, and progress can be built through statute. I propose for example, the Marriage License Disclosure, and a universal marriage handbook which includes government and trusted resources for marriage applicants.

- Marriage is a health crisis.
- Emotional and behavioral systems are not in place for marriage sustainment.
- Self-directed help and education is needed for marriage sustainment. The new or proven science is not currently shared for marriage health—for <u>all people</u> of marriage.
- Wide-spread public awareness that access is available to help marriages benefits all the people—and all the communities, in all aspects of humanity.

Please consider making <u>MARRIAGE</u> an <u>Issue at the Whitehouse.gov</u> and create the United States Marriage Sustainment Act. The Act will:

- The Presidents Executive Order will:
 - Open all agency and every department resource that may have appropriate programs, policies and operations, and education that may assist to enhance and protect the health and well-being of every American marriage, individuals, and people in relationships —for keeping marriages safe and protected.
 - Request all federal agencies include the marriage category, title, issue, section and keyword searches whenever feasible.
 - Request agencies support marriage health and wellness when assistance is provided for divorce for example, pamphlets or materials provided online —or in government spaces government will support awareness-side by side.
 - Enhance and protect the health and well-being of all American marriages.
 - Providing for effective health and human services and by fostering and sharing across all government agencies—sound, sustained advances in the sciences, public health, wellness education, and social services. (HHS)
 - Advance a person centered self help public access system without regard to a persons wealth or economic risk to protect the lives of the married population and promote sustained marriages, personal independence, couple commitment, and streamline all federal agencies program unrestricted whenever possible.
 - Marriage is a health issue that requires emotional regulation education and behavioral self directed training systems that are simple full spectrum and to the point because people want their information fast.
 - This Executive Order will help accomplish the important policy goals and plans set forth and can now include working towards the success rate of marriage through marriage sustainment awareness, promote alongside existing program materials, and create a standalone issue that needs dire attention—marriage wellness.
 - Women and men too will achieve more, men and women will prosper more, and Americans will be better prepared to build peace and stability in America.

Your immediate attention to this matter is crucial because Covid, the election, and the fast approaching budget deadline of August 27, 2020, makes this Executive Order an emergency. But the reality is the matters of marriage have been an emergency waiting for a

very long time. Please consider this very important issue for your Executive Order. Thank you for all you have done for our country.

Respectfully,

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