OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR

FROM: SMITH

SUBJECT: AARP- PROCLAMATION REQUEST

DATE: 12/3/01

Mattie Stevens, State AARP Director, called and requested that you issue a proclamation for a "Day of Service" on December 6, 2001. Kim is working on a proclamation for your approval if you are agreeable. Mattie also requested a press release on Wednesday, December 5, 2001. John is working on that and I think it will include a quote from you.

In addition, I requested that AARP consider endorsing your Health Care Proposal if they agree with your plan. She said that AARP would have to have the agreement of all the board members and then run it by headquarters for approval. She requested that we send her a letter that includes facts about the Health Care Proposal so she can forward to headquarters. She feels positive about AARP's endorsement of the plan, especially if the letter includes information about addressing rising pharmacy cost. Hopefully, with their endorsement, we can hold a press conference as we did with the Department of Health. I have attached a letter for your approval. Thanks.