## **Dallas Building and Construction Trades Council**

AFFILIATED WITH AFL-CIO

1727 YOUNG STREET DALLAS 1, TEXAS



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February 26, 1960.

MRS. MC GINNIS
PLEASE LEAVE ROOM HERE FOR ME TO
WRITE THE NAME OF THE LOCAL UNION.

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS;

As you know the cerebral palsy clinic on 0ak lawn Avenue, was built by free labor by the building trades unions. We feel like this institution is to a great percent, ours. The Building Trades will have one of it's members on the board of directors as long as we desire.

There has been over five thousand crippled children treated at this clinic. No child is ever turned down for examination, or treatment, regardless of race, creed or color. They are all treated free. The only way for you to appreciate this institution, is to go out there and see for yourself, the wonderful work they are doing. The curing of just one little child whose body is twisted, and can't walk, is worth all of the money put into it. Hundreds have been cured in this clinic.

For the past three years, the cost of operating this institution has cost \$59,000 dollars more than the income. This can not go on always. The Dallas Society for Grippled Children stands on it's own. It is not a Community Chest Organization.

The Board of Directors, of which I am a member, at it's last meeting decided to devise some means of raising more money for the operation of this clinic. We decided to attempt to get business firms, individuals, or any group of interestd people, to sponsor one child for a year. Based on past costs, it has been estimated that the cost of one child for a year, would be \$501.00. The cost to the Local Unions would be only twelve cents per member, per year. That is based on the members which each local union pays to the Buidling Trades Council. Mour Financial Secretary can tell you what the cost to your Union would be.

Please take this up at your next meeting, and if it passes, please send me your check at once. Make it out to the Building Trades Council, and mark it Sponsor Child. I will hold all checks untill wa find whether we will get enough money to sponsor a child or not. In case we do not get enough money, I will return your check to you.

Besides doing a great thing for humanity, you will be doing a good public relations job, which the Unions can not do too much of.

Thanking you in advance for your contribution, I remain,

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Fraternally Yours,
L.E. Dilley