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The President
The White House
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Dear Mr. President:

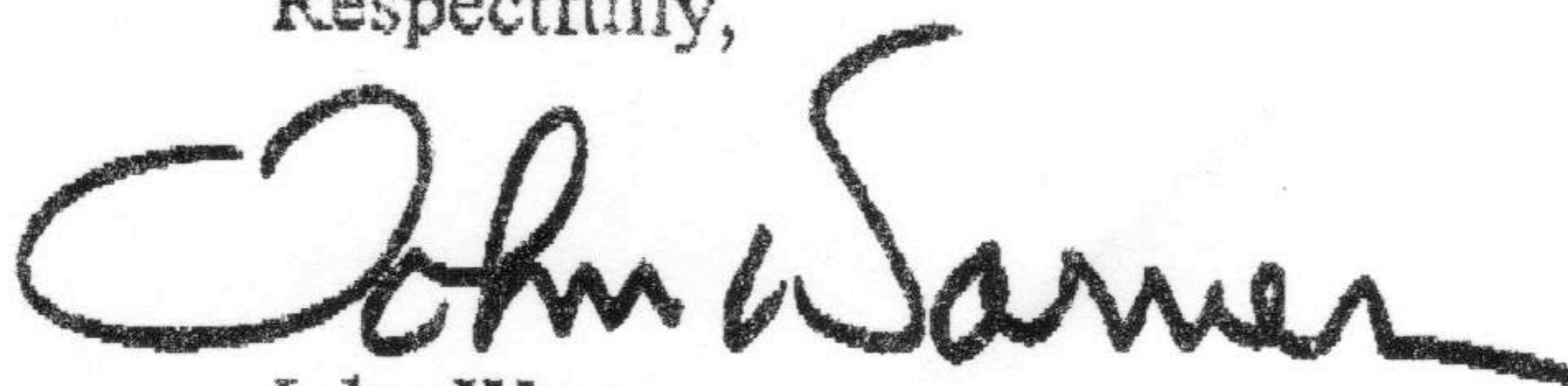
I am writing on behalf of one of my constituents, Walter Benda, who is most interested in participating in the upcoming White House Conference on Missing, Exploited, and Runaway Children to be held on September 24.

Mr. Benda is especially interested in the subject of international child abductions. I understand that he has faxed his request to participate in this important Conference to the Domestic Policy office at the White House.

Mr. Benda is the co-founder of the Japan charter of the Children's Rights Council and has testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee on international child abductions and parental rights. He is a left-behind parent whose two daughters were abducted in Japan over 7 years ago and has had no contact with them since that time even though his case has been litigated in the Japanese Supreme Court level twice.

I am pleased to write in Mr. Benda's support and hope you will give him every appropriate consideration to participate in the Conference.

Respectfully,


John Warner

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