

SENATOR PAT THOMAS

P. O. Drawer 861 Quincy, Florida 32351

June 23, 1978

Dr. Ben Perry 1446 Perry Street Tallahassee, Florida 32304

Dear Ben:

I plan to announce for re-election and need to ask for your helping hand. Presently there is no announced opposition, but the qualifying time extends through July 25. Obviously, we have got to get our campaign under way prior to that time.

Four years ago, we ran exceptionally strong against two very able opponents and every poll indicates we continue to enjoy strong support throughout the district, but we must pursue an aggressive campaign to insure continued strong representation of your interests.

I will need your personal assistance with your family, friends, neighbors, church and civic affiliations. Also, I must ask for your financial support. Necessary campaign expenses include postage, travel, staffing, and advertising for our official announcement which will run in all media in the district.

My family joins me in expressing our appreciation for your friendship. We look forward to visiting with you personally in the very near future.

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Pat Thomas

Enclosure with



SENATOR PAT THOMAS

P. O. Drawer 861
Quincy, Florida 32351
July 26, 1978

Dr. Ben Perry 1446 Perry Street Tallahassee, Florida 32304

Dear Ben:

I want to express my appreciation to you for your willingness to assist financially in my campaign for reelection.

It looked as though we were going to get by without opposition so we could conduct a very light campaign to add name recognition to the new residents during the past four years; however, I now have an opponent and must conduct a full-fledged campaign.

Her first press release indicates an attack upon me as a businessman who has not properly represented the poor, the unemployed and those who are dependent upon our welfare programs.

We intentionally did not build up a big campaign force, and do not intend to do so throughout this campaign. At the same time, it will be necessary to fund an adequate program for a proper advertising campaign including the five television stations and in the 37 newspapers throughout the 15 counties in this Senate district.

I would appreciate it very much if you would either mail your contribution in immediately or call 386-2111 (which is J. T. Williams' office), and we will have someone pick it up.

Because of the lateness of the hour, I really need your help. Please send me any suggestions you might have.

Sincerely,

Pat Thomas

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117 W. College Avenue/Tallahassee, Florida 32301/Telephone (904) 224-5440

August 28, 1978

Ph.

Dr. B. L. Perry, Jr. Post Office Box FAMU Florida A & M University Tallahassee, Florida 32307

Dear Ben:

My heartfelt thanks for your active support. Through your efforts our campaign is on schedule and hopefully, has the ingredients that make for a success.

Please call me if I can be of assistance to you in any way.

With warm regards, I am

Sincerely,
Pat Thomas

PT/ejf

P.S. Hope you can join us at campaign headquarters on election night, September 12.

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September, 26, 1978

Dr. B. L. Perry, Jr. Post Office Box FAMU Florida A & M University Tallahassee, Florida 32307

Dear Ben:

I wanted you to know how deeply I appreciate your support in our recent successful campaign for re-election to the Florida Senate.

Without expressions of genuine friendship such as yours, the victory we had could not have been possible. It is an immense source of comfort to me and my family to have been made the beneficiary of this support. This is why public service is so rewarding to me.

Looking forward to seeing you again soon to reiterate my heartfelt appreciation, \boldsymbol{I} am

Most gratefully,

Pat Thomas

PT/ejf

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