February 6, 1967

Mr. Carl Hildebrand, Principal Western Heights High School 529 Skylark Drive Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73127

Dear Mr. Hildebrand:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 3 recommending Mr. John Spaan for promotion to the position of Executive Officer in the Oklahoma City Area Office of the Public Health Service's Division of Indian Health.

We appreciate having your recommendation. As you may know, we have strongly recommended Mr. Spaan for this position, as we feel that he has done an excellent job in working with our Indian people. However, we are advised that the Executive Officer position has already been filled.

I am taking the liberty of sharing your recommendation with Dr. E. S. Rabeau, Director of the Division of Indian Health in Washington, for his consideration.

Again, thank you for contacting me about Mr. Spaan.

My very best wishes.

Sincerely,

CARL ALBERT, M.C. Third District, Oklahoma

CA/hn

February 6, 1967

Dr. E. S. Rabeau Assistant Surgeon General Director, Division of Indian Health Public Health Service 7915 Eastern Avenue Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

Dear Dr. Rabeau:

We are enclosing a copy of a letter we have just received from Mr. Carl Hildebrand, Principal of the Western Heights High School, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in which he strongly recommends Mr. John Spaan for promotion to the Executive Officer vacancy in the Oklahoma City Area office.

We are happy to relay Mr. Hildebrand's recommendation with the request that it be considered along with ours and the many others you have received in case there should be a change in the current situation with regard to the position in the Area office.

Sincerely,

CARL ALBERT, M. C. Third District, Oklahoma

CA/hn Enclosure

529 Skylark Drive Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73127 February 3, 1967

Repr. Carl Albert Congress of the United States Office of the Majority Leader Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Representative Albert:

I am writing you in regard to Mr. John Spaan, who is an applicant for Executive Officer position, Oklahoma City Area Office, U. S. Public Health Service.

I have known John Spaan for the past fifteen years, and know him to be a man of high esteem.

Being an educator, I would like to mention some observations that I have made of Mr. Spaan in regard to education. As a leader in his community and chairman of a committee working with the Board of Education, the educational standards of that school district have been raised to a high level. This was done with ease, because of his leadership qualities and his ability to work with people.

Public education is the Number One hobby of Mr. Spaan. He spends most of his holidays and free time visiting schools and talking to educators. He is continually trying to become better informed about education and offering time and services.

He has become a leader-in the P-TA of the school in which his children attend. This is just another example of the unselfish giving of his time.

I know from my many conversations with Mr. Spaan that he has a real warm feeling and admiration for the Indian people. He has received much pleasure from his present position, because of the close working relations that he has with the Indians. I feel that he understands fully their problems and has a deep desire to help them.

I am of the opinion that Mr. Spaan is highly qualified for this position, and hope that you will take a close look at his application.

Sincerely,

Carl Hildebrand, Principal Western Heights High School