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President Jimmy Carter
White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear President Carter,

I am enclosing copies of letters and applications for financial aid for my daughter to attend the University of North Carolina. She has already been accepted there and I am also enclosing copies of letters re-garding the high honor of being nominated for the Morehead Scholarship. She also was a nominee to attend the North Carolina Governors School, so you see she is an outstanding student, ranked 4th in her senior class and a very deserving student.

Our only Problem is the money to send her there.

I have worked and paid FICA, Fed. & State taxes all my life. At least 15 years. This year alone I am proud to say that my income was \$10,180.00 which is a very good salary in this area for a bookkeeper. I estimated it to be 9540.00 but I received a bonus for hard work, taking work home on week-ends and working nights. I have a very demanding job and then I have to try to be mother & father to 2 children at night. This year I paid in FICA, Fed. & State Taxes a total sum of 2480.34. This is almost enough to send my daughter to college for 1 year. Estimated costs are 2800.00 per year.

I am legally separated and I find even with my income I can hardly make ends meet, so how can I possible take on 2193.00 per year for her education as this FAF report shows.

I would like to have someone explain exactly where our tax dollars go to. I realize part is for Soc. Sec. Program, Welfare and unemployment. I also realize that I help support a lot of people who are quite capable of working & supporting themselves. I personally have had 2 people on unemployment to tell me that the did not intend

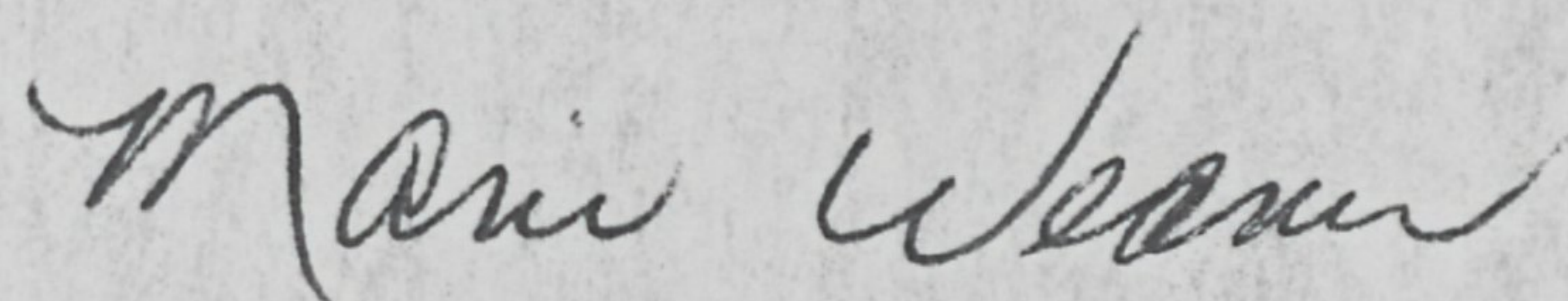
to work until their unemployment benefits ran out. That they could make more staying at home than they could working and of course unemployment is not taxable. This infuriates me to no end and I resent my tax dollars helping to support them. I have worked hard all my life and when I ask for financial aid I may possibly get \$600.00 out of The 2800.00 needed. I ask you, IS THIS FAIR?

I am very curious to know out of 15 years working exactly how much I alone have already paid in FICA, Fed. & State taxes. I do believe if I could have invested half of this amount into a savings program of my own that I could probably send my child to college with no problem.

I have become very bitter and now I highly resent having to pay taxes when I take a look around me and see how these tax dollars are spent. I also must say that I feel our government is really encouraging by the support of bastard children the moral decay of our country. I hope you will try to do something about these situations.

Also I would appreciate a prompt and personal reply to this letter.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marie Weaver". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Marie Weaver