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Dear Judy,

Received your packet of materials today and was glad to hear from you, as I was really nervous as I had not heard from you in a couple weeks. Which is understandable of course.

I am doing o.k. I stayed on my hunger strike for three weeks and as usual made a great point, but accomplished little. Only created more inferiority in prison staff, who is already over-reacting to my activism. They have already twice recommended that I be transferred. Those recommendation will probably make their way to the region in the next 2 weeks. I predict that the request will be denied. Nobody wants to deal with me, and I am sure that the region will take the position that this institution can cope a little longer.

Currently, I've got most of the materials together for my newsletter. Russ Webb, who runs the Central Virginia AIDS Program, provided several writings from prisoners. And, Mike Flasher and Rev. Prowett are both suppose to be doing submissions. I am still lacking on the Women and AIDS issue. Also, I need your picture and a short tag line to go along with it. O.k.?? Also, if you have a copy of the article that was in GCN about my work with

prisoners and AIDS, could you send me a copy.

PWA Newswire is in a reorganizing phase and will not be printing for awhile. Bree, the editor quite, and things just seemed really out of order when I called there last week. I haven't received the latest Body Positive yet. But, they seem to be printing less and less on prison issues.

They are changing the phone systems here. Inmates will have to pay for their own calls. So, I should be able to give you a ring every now and then. I only have Annie number on my list. Yeah, you have to turn in a list of all the numbers you will be calling. . . . Just more BOP money-making crap!!

You know, Resist does not necessarily require that a fiscal sponsor be 501(c)(3). It's ACT/UP?? It might be easier to use ACT/UP as a fiscal sponsor as oppose to John Brown Education Fund for the CEML grant. Please let me know, either way. It's due 7/1/93.

Things seem to be going positive with my case in the Supreme Court. I've talk to AI twice. The Court still hasn't agreed to hear the case, though, they have ordered the record sealed and transferred to D.C., which is very unusual. We are hoping after they see how bad Judge Skidmore handle prison cases, they

will be more inclined to hear the case.
I am still keeping my fingers crossed.
We may not know until next term.

I ordered the latest Odyssey
magazine and Prison life, soon as
I receive them I'll send them
to you.

Take care and stay
beautiful.

Love and Sisterhood,

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