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May 29, 1984

Senator Ken Maddy
Security Bank Building
1060 Fulton Mall
Fresno, California 93721

Dear Senator Maddy,

I am a staunch Republican who has supported and admired you for your ideals and political actions of the past. However, you have just lost my support and marked yourself in my book as a truly unscrupulous politician.

I am also a fighter pilot with the 144th FIW at Fresno and have seen our unit decline from Number One in all categories to its present state of decadence - in both internal morale and fighter-community standing. This all being attributable to one man - Brigadier General Aguiar.

Just another sour grape? Not hardly. First, if you would have bothered checking the facts before jumping in with both feet, you would have found that the atmosphere at this unit has been poisoned by the policies of this man. Second, you might have investigated more thoroughly the work of the Adjutant General office, who spent months probing this problem and then arrived at an entirely impartial conclusion.

So my question is, where do politics and your position as state senator have anything to do with this situation? A friendship perhaps? If your friend was guilty of crimes accused, does that not matter? Who do you represent? Where does your loyalty and morality lie? With the people, or old cronies who have gone astray?

This whole situation saddens and sickens my heart - especially when my ex-favorite state senator throws politics into a crystal clear issue of right versus wrong.

Sincerely,

A Player, Not a Fan

PS: I'm sorry I can't sign my name, rank and serial number, but I'm trying to survive the upcoming purge.

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MEMO

To: "A Player, Not a Fan" who could not sign their name
From: Senator Ken Maddy *Ken Maddy*
Date: June 6, 1984
Re: Fresno Bee article of May 25, 1984, by Royal Calkins
in regard to Brigadier General Edward Aguiar

Jumping to conclusions works both ways. However, when I
take a position I at least put myself on the record.

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June 8, 1984

Editor of the Bee
1626 "E" Street
Fresno, California 93786

Dear Editor:

RE: Your article of May 25, 1984,
by Royal Calkins, Bee Staff
Writer, in regard to
Brigadier General Edward Aguiar

This article stated that the California Air National Guard top command reversed a decision previously made after I "intervened on the General's behalf." The article further stated my office "lobbied" General Shank. Both statements are untrue and should be clarified.

In May of this year, my office received some calls from interested citizens requesting information in regard to the retirement of General Aguiar. My only involvement was to contact the legislative liaison of the California National Guard who advised me of the status of this situation and the actions of the National Guard in respect to General Aguiar. I took no position, nor did I argue on behalf of anyone involved, primarily because I had no facts from which to argue.

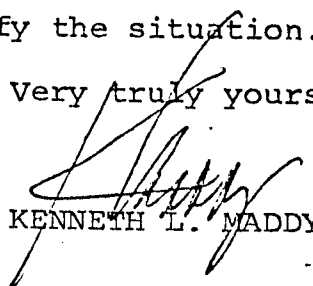
My calls were placed on Thursday and on Monday, I was advised the matter had been resolved to the satisfaction of everyone involved. I made no further inquiry.

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One aspect of the responsibilities of a state legislator is to answer inquiries of constituents. After thirteen years in public office, I have learned not to pass judgment without the facts. In this matter, the situation was resolved before I passed judgment, intervened or lobbied.

Thank you for allowing me to clarify the situation.

Very truly yours,



KENNETH L. MADDY

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