Special Poll
Re: Small Business

January 29, 1962

Dear;

The President of the National Federation of Independent Business has forwarded to me the ballot which you filled out in answer to their "Special Poll" and I appreciate the opportunity to respond.

In my book, small business is the real backbone of the United States and throughout my 28 years of service in both House and Senate I have sought to help stabilize and strengthen this segment of our economy.

I am quite aware that certain leaders of labor believe that if the trend toward bigness can be continued it will make their job of organization easier and bring them closer to the objective of control and a planned economy. Insofar as it lies within my power, I intend to leave nothing undone to energize and help the small business structure of the country.

In this connection, I am enclosing a copy of my remarks relating to the establishment of voluntary pension plans by self-employed individuals which may be of interest to you.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen

Enclosure