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This email is being sent to all governors of our United States and has been sent to President Trump, as well. Proposal: A national program entitled "Be The Best You Can Be". We are weary of violence and racial strife in America and this program would encourage all Americans to be the best they can be. It would benefit all ages, races and our nation. If we would encourage people to pursue their God given gifts, they could be emboldened to take responsibility for improving their lives. Time spent on self-improvement leaves no time for anger.

The goal of "Be The Best You Can Be" is to impress upon all people that they have abilities that can make them successful in life, success being self-esteem, self-confidence, self-respect, peace of mind and knowing they are making positive contributions to society. Our culture rewards "the professions" which can make those who are not included in those groups feel "less than" and cause them to feel their gifts are not worthy of pursuit. This could result in our nation being less than what it could be. A man who earned a Phd. in Education once said, "My hero has always been the janitor who put his children through college". Would a janitor feel like a hero in our society?

This program would encourage future artists, musicians, singers, authors, encouragers, listeners, mothers and fathers to be the best they can be. The list of individual gifts may be endless. It is never too late. What hidden talents do our seniors possess? Wouldn't it be better for our nation to guide our youth to pursue their gifts rather than having them spend years holding positions they do not like? These employees do not make businesses the best they can be.

One mind at a time, one family at a time, one neighborhood at a time. Through our churches, schools, television, the Internet, our government and perhaps other means of communication, the message could be absorbed into the individual mind. Our actions are a reflection of what our minds have accepted. When the mind is filled with encouragement and focuses on being productive only good can result.

Are we, as a nation, focusing on uplifting our citizens to be the best they can be? Surely, we have encouragers across America who are devoted to bringing out the best in people but have we ever woven such encouragement into the American psyche?

Precious time is wasted across our great nation with arguing and fighting which lead to the division and violence we continually witness. When will this end? How will this end? Perhaps, if people across our land focus on excelling in their God given abilities, there will be

less anger and violence.

Please use your public voices to encourage Americans to "Be The Best You Can Be". Below is a poem I wrote September 27, 2017 that expresses my thoughts. Thank you for your time  
..... Sincerely, Janis Miner

### HOW SPECIAL YOU ARE

Compare yourself to no one else  
But look inside your heart  
So special is the child of God  
Who He has set apart

None other has your fingerprint  
No none, that's yours alone  
Your hopes and dreams belong to you  
Yes, they are yours to own

Think not of what another has  
That may be what you lack  
Just be aware that those you see  
To you are looking back

They see in you what they have not  
Perhaps their hearts desire  
So focus on your fondest dreams  
And for those dreams aspire

Just be the best that you can be  
Unique God makes each one  
And when you rest in peace each night  
You'll know that you have won

Janis Miner  
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