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To Yoshito Uchiala,

The Association of Library Service to Children, American Library Association, is constantly seeking ways of stressing the value of books and libraries in children's lives, and the importance of the librarian who is instrumental in establishing this relationship. Now, when those who provide children's library service must strive even harder to demonstrate its relevancy, is the time to proudly and publicly cite notable results from positive childhood library experiences.

As a successful member of your profession, the Membership Committee of the Association of Library Service to Children would like to ask your help in supporting the Association's intent. Would you briefly comment on your favorite book, or memorable library experience, as a child, and allow us to use your letter response in our booth at the ALA Annual Conference in Los Angeles? Replies may be sent to:

Jill L. Locke, Chair ALSC Membership Committee The Farmington Community Library 32737 West Twelve Mile Road Farmington, MI 48018

Thank you for helping us to publicize the positive effects childhood reading and library use have on people's lives. Please send us your letter by June 1, 1983, and if you are attending ALA in June, we invite you to stop by our booth and find your letter.

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Co-ordinator of Work with Children Member, Membership Committee, ALSC,

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To the Children's Book Editor;

Will you please forward the enclosed letter to your children's book author.

It is the expectation of the membership committee of ALSC, a division of the American Library Association to have on exhibit a collection of letters from many authors commenting on their youthful experiences in the library.

Please stop at the Professional Booth at ALA in Los Angeles this June 1983 to read as many of the letters as you find time to do.

Thank you again for your part in this adventure.

Yours truly,

Sybil Ann Hanna

Co-ordinator of Work with

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1685 Solano Ave., #102 Berkeley, Ca. 94707 May 28, 1983 Association of Library Service to Children American Library Association Dear Friends: I am happy to send you this letter for use in your booth at the upcoming ALA meeting. Growing up as a Japanese American child in California was not always pleasant, while the child in my book, A JAR OF DREAMS, I often felt alienated and rejected. There was one place I could so, however, where I always felt welcome and secure, and that was our public library in South Berkeley. I remember spending many hours there and always carried home three or four books when I left. That small branch library, and its librarians, gave me sustenance and solace, and played no small part in developing my interest in writing. I began writing when I was ten years old and am still writing today! at it! Sincerely, Yoshiko Uchida

ASSOCIATION FOR LIBRARY SERVICE TO CHILDREN A DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION 50 EAST HURON STREET · CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60611 · (312) 944-6780 August 30, 1985 Yoshiko Uchida 1685 Solano Ave. #102 Berkeley, CA 94707 Dear Yoshiko Uchida, In 1983, the ALSC Membership Committee wrote to you asking for a letter describing a childhood book or library experience. We used your response and those of others to decorate our booth at the ALA Convention. The excitement those letters generated has prompted our committee to select a few to be made available in a display format for those who would like to use them in their library, classroom or bookstore. Your contribution was so special that we would like your permission to include it in our packet. Additionally, we would love to have a picture of you as a child as well as a current photograph to use with the letter. If this is not possible, could we at least have a current photo? We are enclosing a copy of the original letter you sent us. We would like to use it in its original format, however we realize that you may wish to look it over one more time. The final copy must be camera ready, so if you would rather not have your home address published, you may ask to have it covered before publication.

We are enclosing a release which must be signed by you before we can continue with our project. We would appreciate having your reply by October 1st. However, don't let the deadline keep you from responding even if it's late.

We are enjoying this project so much that most of us are staying with the committee long after our terms are up. We hope you understand how special we think this is and can share some of our excitement in the wonderful response we have had so far.

Please send your final draft and your signed release to:

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Las Vegas, NV

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Thank you from all of us,

Karen Breen

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Enclosed is a copy of this request. Permission may be granted by filling in the bottom part of this letter, returning the original signed copy, and retaining the duplicate for your files.

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(212) 614-1399 to send you a current pub. photo.

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