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Dear Jim:

An appropriate opportunity has finally arisen to initiate a correspondence. As I trust you are aware, the effort to bring a differential property tax to Philadelphia is being made in earnest and is directed to both the academic and political institutions.

For some time now I have adopted Steve Cord's "Center for the Study of Economics" as a vehicle for submitting articles and letters on economic issues. In December of 1982 I wrote to FOCUS magazine (a Philadelphia business periodical) in response to an article published on unemployment. A copy of my letter is enclosed.

The Editor of FOCUS, Vijay Kothare, telephoned me shortly thereafter to discuss my writing an article on my own but backed off when I advised him I was not a professional economist. However, he invited a representative economist associated with the "Center" to submit something. I discussed this with Steve, who has recently submitted to FOCUS the suggestion to do a piece on LVT. Although his article may be published, it does not specifically deal with the problem of unemployment.

While searching my mind for an approach to Mr. Kothare, I recalled that your Colorado group included Professor Carl McGuire of the University of Colorado. My primary reason for writing, then, is to ask whether Professor McGuire could be induced to write an essay on unemployment for publication by the "Center". Producing such an essay on unemployment would be, I believe, an

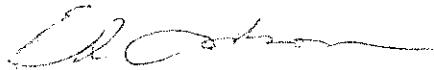
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extremely timely and valuable analysis, particularly if the relationships outlined in my December 13th letter can be more thoroughly developed. The only material which comes close to meeting this need was an article written over a decade ago by Arthur Becker.

One further consideration is that we are hoping to conduct a day-long symposium on unemployment, possibly within the next two or three months. An article in FOCUS would definitely stimulate media interest.

Best of luck in Colorado. I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely yours,



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