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Dear Sir,

you don't know me and I don't know you except for seeing you on Television tonight (November 25, 1960) but I felt that you would understand how I feel. I don't expect you to pay much attention to this letter but I want you to know that I, being just seven-~~ten~~ years old, agree with you and your fellow workers about the migrant workers and the situation that they are in. I never really gave much thought to these people that are so far away from where I live, but after seeing the program "Harvest of Shame" tonight I feel that I really want to help them in some way. Oh, I know this all sounds crazy for one girl writing this but I really feel this way. It went right to my heart when I saw those poor people working their hands off and what do they get? A dollar! Mr. Michals,

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a girl can babysit for one hour and get a dollar and all she does most of the time is sit and eat, also those little children! God help the people that are putting those little children of God through misery for the rest of their lives. I've been brought up to love and respect my neighbor and to know that we are all equal, but after seeing what I did tonight I found out with my own eyes that all people don't feel this way. Some people say that migrant workers don't care how they live and that they're really happy. I find this very hard to believe. People that don't even have a decent place to go to the bathroom cannot be happy. As far as them not caring how they live, all I can say is "Why should they?" No one else cares and if they do they certainly don't show it. I think it's just terrible and if people here in America could just realize the terrible life these poor people

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are having, and if they could really see it for themselves I am sure they would wake up to the fact that something had to be done. Those people are human beings whom Almighty God created and they should be taken care of and respected and loved just like most of us are in this country.

Mr. Michael, I could write a book on how I feel about this whole thing but my one little book or this letter wouldn't do any good unless people begin to realize that those Migrant & workers are just as good and maybe even better than we are in some ways and they should be helped as much as possible. Please, I would appreciate it so much if you would try to understand how I feel and realize that there are other people that feel the same way as I do but for some ungodly reason they won't speak up and

help these people. Thank you for reading
this letter and I hope I haven't made
a fool of myself; I only wish I were older
so I could really and truly do something
good to help these people. Thank you again!

Respectfully yours,
Joyce Freeman

P.S. Please excuse my
writings; my pen etc. I
truly hope you can read this.

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