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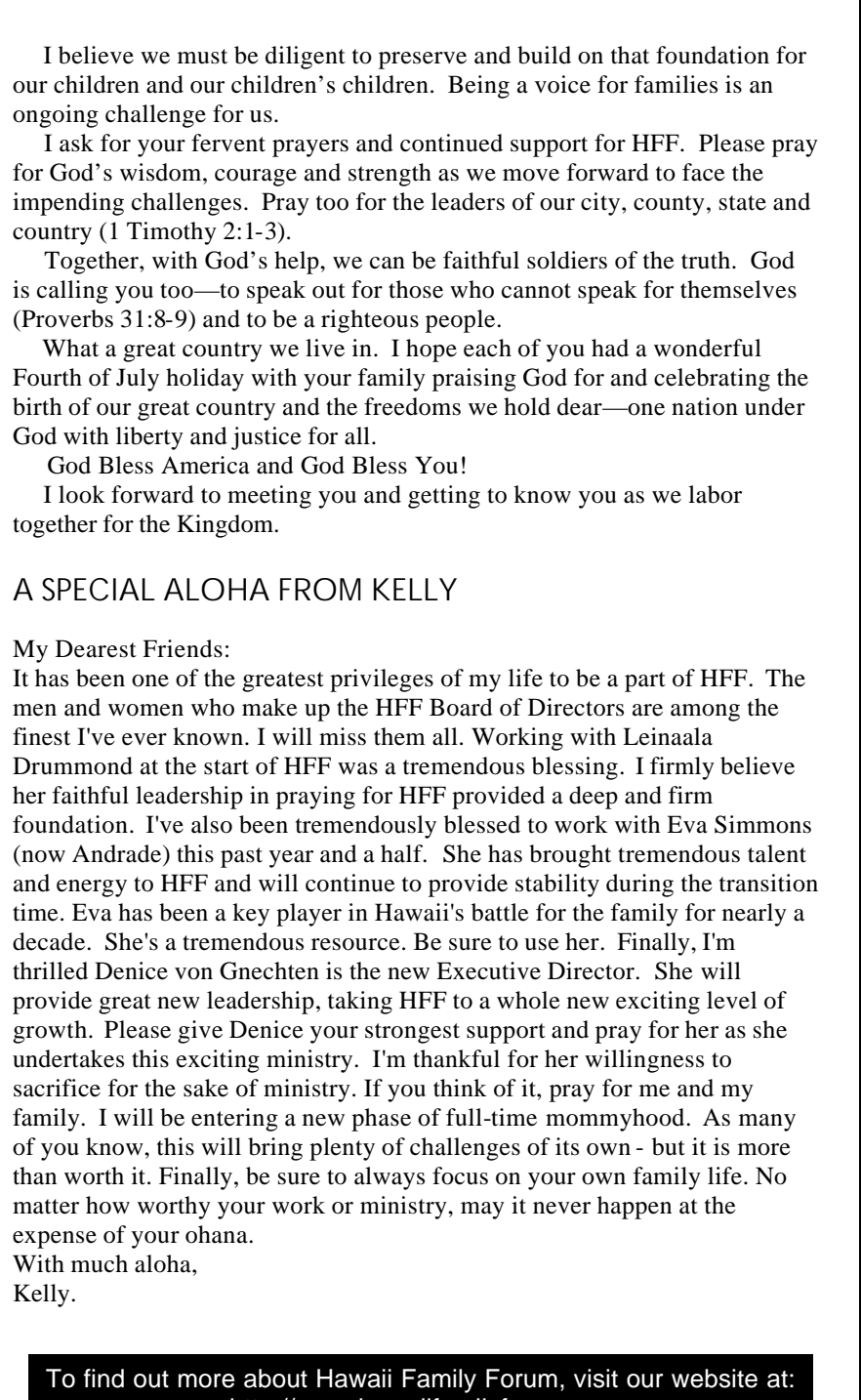
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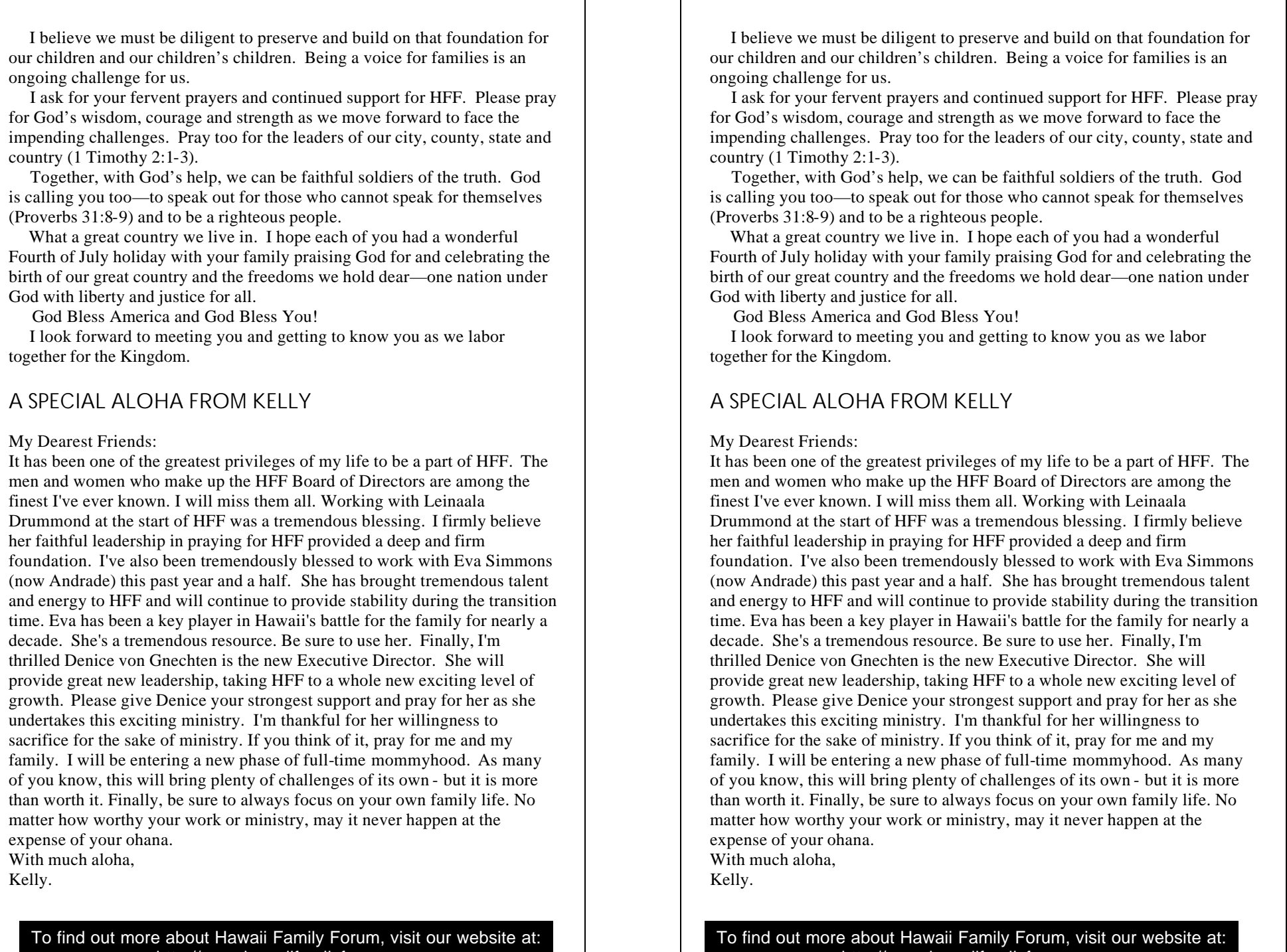
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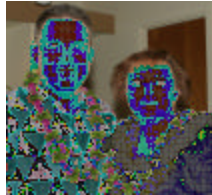
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Before God opened the door for me to attend law school, I spent a number of years in the legal community as a paralegal. My experiences before, during and after law school have given me much insight into the laws, both good and bad, of our great land, and a newly fueled desire to preserve the principles upon which our country was founded.

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