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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 18, 1976

Dear Kevin:

There's not much that can be said to ease the disappointment that you and your teammates must feel at the outcome of the recent game against Texas.

Recalling the many games I bent over the old pigskin in that same position of center at the University of Michigan, I fully share the anxiety that must have seemed overwhelming at such an unfortunate play. But you can be assured that your past performance as an outstanding center for the Sooners has earned you every right to retain your personal confidence and pride as a fine team player. Then, too, you can be certain that in some future game down the road, there will be that one wonderful explosive tackle which will be considered by all your teammates as pivotal to that game's victory.

How well I recall the bitter and sweet memories of the wins and the losses. But, remarkably, they always seem to balance off -- both on the gridiron as well as in life. I'll be looking for your next "big play."

With best personal regards,

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*P.S. WL centers must
stick together.
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