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Honorable Gerald R. Ford President of the United States of America The White House Washington, D. C.

My Dear President Ford:

You assumed the highest office of our land slightly more than two years ago at a time of great national peril. In retrospect, that national peril posed the greatest threat to the continued existence of our form of government under our Constitution that has ever existed in the history of our Republic. I know that all Americans breathed a sigh of relief when in your new capacity as President of the United States, you very calmly and confidently announced to our people that our Constitution works. You restored confidence and trust in a government wracked by distrust and disbelief. Your fresh, straight-forward manner brought a secure feeling back into the heart of all of our citizens. I will never forget your ringing statement made in your acceptance speech that our nation is strong and our nation is secure. You were able in truth to make that statement because you are responsible for the truth of that statement. For more than two years, you were a very good President of these United States. I am totally confident that had a few more votes been cast in the right electoral states, that you would have become a very great President.

When you leave the White House in January of 1977, you will leave that office with great personal honor and dignity and the office itself will have enjoyed the benefit of the personal stature that you brought to the office. Please accept my personal and sincere gratitude for your tireless efforts in the past two years. Those efforts have enabled the people of this country to begin its third

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Sincerely yours,

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