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Morgan E. Cartier, Jr. Upper Hamlin Bake Budington, Michigan 49431 November 4, 1976

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

Mr. President:

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It is with difficulty I write you today, after the narrow victory of Jimmy Carter for the next presidency starting in January. I personally feel the American electorate made a bad mistake, but am confident we can all go on together and pray that Jimmy Carter can grow and become a good President.

I want you to know we all here think you have done a marvelous job and brought this country around to the right track despite tremendous odds against you. You must have a great satisfaction in knowing you have led this country down the proper path with decency, honesty and integrity. As we used to say in the Navy, thanks Jerry, for a job well done!

It is with heavy heart that I tell you we buried my father, Morgan Sr., on last Tuesday, election day. He fondly cherished the American flag you sent to him in 1969 and so, at my request, it was placed beside him and buried with him. He and your father, Jerry Sr., were friends, and now they both rest in peace.

Ted Kindel, Dick Brooks, myself and other friends of yours will be opening the Michigan deer hunting season together on November 15th. We will lift a toast for you then Jerry and hope you will now take a much needed rest, then seriously consider coming back home to Michigan to make your home.

My best wishes to you and Betty, also Susan, Mike, Jack and Steve. I have never had the pleasure of meeting your children and hope to some day. It must be a real comfort to have such a fine family behind you.

Best wishes and good luck, Jerry, and may God bless you all.

Sincerely,

Morgan E. Cartier Jr.

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