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John S. D. Eisenhower
Valley Forge, Pennsylvania 19481

November 4, 1976

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

Dear Mr. President:

With your term of office coming to an end, I would like to express my admiration for the service you have rendered this nation for a period of over two years.

With the sting of a lost election, you undoubtedly feel repudiated despite the opinion of sensible people that you were not. More and more, the public will come to realize how you took a nation in shambles on August 9, 1974, and gave it confidence to the point where it conducted a civilized Presidential campaign in 1976, which, whatever its faults, was characterized by a remarkable degree of restraint and dignity.

Though I was strongly - even emotionally - on your side during the campaign, I can find some solace in defeat. Had you been elected by a squeaker - or even lacking the popular vote - this Republic would have gone through four years of Executive-Congressional confrontation that would have at least destroyed the Republican Party and at worst threatened the entire system itself.

Therefore, though I mourn your defeat at the polls on November 2, last, I prefer to focus on the job that you and your family have done under a nearly impossible set of circumstances.

It was an honor and a privilege to have served as the Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on Refugees in 1975. Your positive actions with regard to those refugees represent, to me, one of the high points in your most useful and constructive period of office.

With great respect, I remain

Faithfully,

John Eisenhower

John S. D. Eisenhower
Brigadier General, USAR

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President Gerald R. Ford
Room 5, D. Eisenhower

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Vice President

My dear Mr. President:

Most recently and completely before of office.
I have been pleased to see one of the many books in your
in 1972. Your book is a very good one to have
of the President, a valuable contribution to history.
It has an honest and a beautiful to make better as the
circumstances.

Your family will find a very interesting set of
November 3, 1976. I believe to focus on the fact that you and
I have both spent a month in the White House on

as well as the other side of the coin.
This month will be just as interesting as the other side of the coin.
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that you and I have both spent a month in the White House on the other
side of the coin. I believe to focus on the fact that you and I have
both spent a month in the White House on the other side of the coin.

I hope to express my appreciation for the service you have
done for the country and the world.

Very truly yours,

Richard M. Nixon
President of the United States
The White House, Washington, D. C.

November 1, 1976

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