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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

The President
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Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Jerry:

The election is over and everyone is gradually accepting the results with final resignation. I am not. I feel that the best man did not win. Many thousands of others throughout the country feel as I do and perhaps this attitude will create the indignation and determination necessary to change the outcome four years from now. I know this is small consolation to those that lost...No, I would put it this way, "you didn't lose, the country lost!"

Sure, I am prejudice but that is not the only reason. You can't work for a man eight years and not know him. In my opinion, the people made one hell of a mistake and reservations are already being amplified across the land--there will be more to come.

Jerry, you took the reins of this country amidst turmoil, dissention, recession, and alienation and put it all together. I don't know what more the people could expect. Their memory is so short and their gratitude so fickle--it makes one wonder.

However, we want you to know how much we appreciate your wonderful family, your constant dedication to creating a better America, and on a personal selfish note, thank you for your friendship. May you and your family have a joyous holiday season.

Respectfully,

Bill Scherle

William J. Scherle



