The original documents are located in Box C4, folder "Springer, William L." of the Gerald and Betty Ford Special Materials Collection at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library.

Copyright Notice

The copyright law of the United States (Title 17, United States Code) governs the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted material. Gerald Ford donated to the United States of America his copyrights in all of his unpublished writings in National Archives collections. Works prepared by U.S. Government employees as part of their official duties are in the public domain. The copyrights to materials written by other individuals or organizations are presumed to remain with them. If you think any of the information displayed in the PDF is subject to a valid copyright claim, please contact the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library.

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON 20463

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER SPRINGER

November 3, 1976

Dear Mr. President:

Pat yourself on the back. If you can't, let me do it for you.

You took over after the most traumatic experience this country has ever undergone in a presidency. You gave this nation two years of good sound government, carrying the world on one shoulder and the country on the other. Then came a primary race that should never havebeen. After the convention, you tackled an almost impossible uphill fight and turned it into a cliffhanger.

Fritz Kriesler once said, "A football field is 100 yards long and 50 yards wide. Even Tom Harmon can only do so much with that."

Both of us will soon be leaving Washington. A quarter of a century is plenty of time to get a perspective on a friend. Harry Truman is quoted--and his words are well-adapted to you: "Give me a guy who can carry the load when the road is toughest and I'll show you a man for all time."

When the bottom line of history is written, some writer will say, "This was his finest hour!".

Sincerely,

WILLIAM L. SPRINGER

The President The White House Washington, D. C. 20500 THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN ...

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION washington 20483

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER SPRINGER

November 3, 1976

Dear Mr. President:

Pat yourself on the back. If you can't, let me do it for you.

You took over after the most traumatic experience this country has ever undergone in a presidency. You gave this nation two years of good sound government, carrying the world on one shoulder and the country on the other. Then came a primary race that should never havebeen. After the convention, you tackled an almost impossible uphill fight and turned it into a cliffhanger.

Fritz Kriesler once said, "A football field is 100 yards long and 50 yards wide. Even Tom Harmon can only do so much with that."

Both of us will soon be leaving Washington. A quarter of a century is plenty of time to get a perspective on a friend. Harry Truman is quoted--and his words are well-adapted to you: "Give me a guy who can carry the load when the road is toughest and I'll show you a man for all time."

When the bottom line of history is written, some writer will say, "This was his finest hour!".

Sincerely,

WILLIAM L. SPRINGER

The President The White House Washington, D. C.



The President The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

particular region and the second second and the second secon

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON

I we see I want and a self to a normal to a the and a second and a second and a second a seco



THE WHITE HOUSE

TO: Trudy Fry

FROM: MILDRED LEONARD

FOR: Information

Appropriate Handling

The President would like to have these two messages included in his "special letters" book.

Thank you

DATE: