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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN. 11/9/76

WALLER TAYLOR II
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November 9, 1976

Dear Mr. President:

My usage of the English language is most inadequate to express my total and deep respect for your Presidency and your Campaign. The outstanding dignity with which you accepted what must have been a personally devastating blow, will never be forgotten by this Nation, and will lead to a lasting widespread affection, respect and reverence for you.

I will always be extremely proud to have been one of the forty people in California who stood with you from the outset, and I look forward to supporting you in the future in connection with whatever you may undertake. I will never forget your acceptance of my invitation and your inspirational appearance at the Dedication of the New Stanford Law School Buildings, together with the uplifting spirit with which you indelibly endowed the Law School. Your Presidency, as so many others have said, constituted such a high level of stability, decency, wisdom and humanity, and gave the Country a President dignified but yet warm. I thank God for your strength to veto so much that was so bad. You and your family have given the American people so much of yourselves in such a generous and exemplary manner.

While the days ahead look troubled and difficult for all of us, somehow I know that President Gerald Ford will be available for sound advice to the American people and wisdom for others who so desperately feel his leadership should be continued. I spent much of two days of the final week of the Campaign in the White House with some members of your staff. I feel certain how proud you must have been to have witnessed so much "extra" effort put into not only those days of the Campaign but the many, many days and hours preceding them by so many truly fine people.



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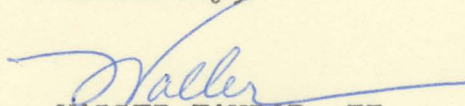
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In the meantime, please let me extend my best wishes to you and Betty for what I am certain will be a truly rewarding future. You indeed most deservedly have a multitude of options, and I am certain that you and Betty will determine your future course with your usual firm resolve. Please know that an enormous segment of the American public is looking to you for guidance as our leader of the minority party, as a leader of creative thoughts and processes which must be developed to make that minority effective, and as a gentleman with whom a real dialogue has been and I am certain will be always possible.

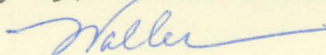
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With warmest personal regards to you and Betty.

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