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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 4, 1976

Dear Mr.  Taravella:

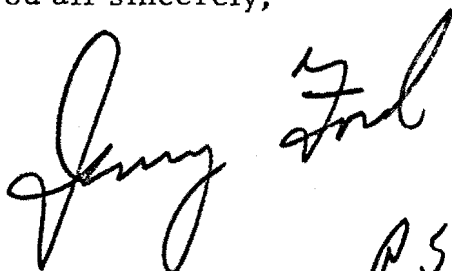
Thank you to the residents of Coral Springs.

Your record turnout of over 12,000 to greet me on Saturday, February 28, was one of the largest and most enthusiastic I have encountered and I wish to express my thanks to each of you.

I was particularly impressed by the small children and their lettered signs of welcome. Those are the Americans of tomorrow and that is why we should try to pass to them an even better society than we have today. In fact, the sight of so many children waving caused me to change my whole speech and concentrate on the young people.

I am very sorry that other commitments and a tight schedule prevented me from meeting each and every one of you.

Thank you all sincerely,



Mr. J. P. Taravella
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P.S. I enjoyed talking
with you on Monday.
