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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 7, 1975

Dear Ron:

A few months ago Harvard's Institute of Politics made me a Fellowship offer that I couldn't refuse. Since Paul Theis has been unable to arrange the necessary four month leave of absence (September - December), I will be leaving the Presidential speechwriting staff at the end of this month.

While 3 1/3 years at the White House are more than enough in many respects, (especially with a Staff Mess that only serves drinks on Thursdays!), I have counted it an honor to be the only speechwriter from the "old regime" who was able to stay on and make a sustained, if small, contribution to the Ford Administration.

I will be back in Washington in late December and would welcome the opportunity to again serve a President I have come to personally respect and believe in... and a Party that, not to mince words, needs all the competent professional help it can get.

In the meantime, I have enjoyed working with you and wish you (and the boss) well.

Best regards,



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Deputy Special Assistant  
to the President

