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Dear Ron:

There is an adage that says "sailors belong at sea," and after two and one half years ashore, the Navy has sent me a message.

I just want you to know how much I have enjoyed knowing you and working with you these past months. It has been my honor and privilege to have served with you in support of the standard which President Ford has established, and I know that he will continue to be served well by people, like yourself, who share a common goal -- dedicated service to that which is best for America.

You have my very best wishes for your personal success and my many thanks for the courtesies and help which have made my job such an enjoyable and pleasant one.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Howard Keen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Sincerely,".