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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN.

November 4, 1976


The Honorable Gerald R. Ford  
The President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

This is a difficult letter to write because we have lost perhaps the closest electoral vote contest in history. The fact that few gave us any chance at all when we started doesn't ease the pain of losing.

The best man did not win this race, and the American people are the losers for it. This country owes you and your family a tremendous debt of gratitude, and history will record you as one of our most beloved, respected and effective Presidents. It's been my privilege to have had the opportunity to know you and your family and to serve you in positions of high responsibility. I thank you for giving me this honor.

Sincerely,



James A. Baker, III

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