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Nov. 29, 1976

Gerald R. Ford, President United States, White House, Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

It is my pleasure to write you that the delegates and guests of the recent Van Buren County Republican convention voted unanimously to thank you for your service to our nation.

It was noted that you were thrust into a most difficult task at a most difficult time in the history of our nation.

It was acknowledged that you were a man for the time and that through your open and direct manner you began a healing process which once again gave the nation's people a sense of the greatness of our country's system of government.

We regret the electorate did not see fit to enable you to continue the work you so conscientiously undertook, and we want you to know we are proud you are a native of our great State of Michigan.

We wish you and your family well in the future, and thank you, Mr. President.

Sincerely,

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