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My dear Mr. President:

It was with a deep sense of sadness that I viewed the final result of the November 2nd election. As one who has had the opportunity of serving with you in the House and of watching you grow in the highest office of the land, I know the American people will miss the leadership and stability you have provided our system of government since August of 1974.

Despite the final result, you can rest assured that your contribution to the Presidency will be recorded as overwhelmingly positive. You have restored dignity and respect to the most important office in the world, and you have set right our Nation's economic course. You have shown the courage to do what you think is right rather than what is expedient, a trait which I sincerely hope will not be lost from the White House after January 20th.

As you leave elective office, you can know that you have earned the respect of all Americans. Those of us who are Republicans can be especially proud, and your counsel will always be welcome.

Please extend my best wishes to Betty and your entire family.

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