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4213 Vinton Ave.
Culver City, Calif

Dear Mr. Meredith:

As an American and a human being who happened to pick "white" parents, I am profoundly moved by the plight of fellow Americans and human beings who find themselves penalized merely because they chose to be born with a less stylish color. Having observed first-hand that so-called racial characteristics are absolutely irrelevant to one's innate qualities as a person, and that those who most violently deny this fact tend to be innately inferior themselves, I feel a special affection and affinity for those like yourself who share this insight and who possess the courage and character to parlay it into action in the cause of truth and justice.

Thank you for your magnificent effort in behalf of the ideals I cherish - I know I speak for millions in this country and around the world who respect and have faith in human dignity and democracy. The sick souls who deny their humanity by trying to deny yours may or may not be beyond help, but America is surely growing up, and I am especially grateful and proud that it ~~is~~ is increasingly able to support this fact with living testimony such as yourself.

Sincerely,
Carson M. Smith

P.S. If you do not need or will not accept the enclosed dollar, please donate it to a worthy organization of your choice.

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January 14, 1963

Mr. Carson M. Smith
4213 Vinton Avenue
Culver City, Calif.

Dear Mr. Smith:

Thank you for your letter of October 13, 1962,
extending your good wishes and your contribution.

The kind thoughts and financial support extend-
ed by you and many others during this period will
always be remembered.

Sincerely yours,