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December 15, 1977

Mr. Gardiner Wooten
c/o The Speaker's Office
Mississippi House of Representatives
State Capitol
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Wooten:

Before coming to Jackson last week, everyone from Mississippi told me that I could look forward to riding in your famous elevator. I was indeed looking forward to it, but I regret that due apparently to security reasons, I was unable to do so. In any case, I am sorry I missed you, but I will be sure to stop to see you on my next trip to Jackson, which I hope will be soon.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Walter F. Mondale

bc: William Simpson ✓
Office of The Honorable James Eastland

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December 9, 1977

Honorable Richard Moe
Chief of Staff
The Office of the Vice President
Room 268, Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20501

Dear Dick:

My brother, Representative Jim Simpson, reminded me of a fellow who is an institution at the State Capitol in Jackson. He is Mr. Gardiner Wooten, who has operated the elevator for many years.

We think it would be good if the Vice President could drop him a note along this line:

"I had looked forward to riding in your famous elevator during my visit to the State Capitol Building.

"I regret that the security people would not permit the use of elevators and I hope to see you on my next trip to Jackson."

If you see fit to do so you can write Mr. Wooten in care of the Speaker's Office. You can be certain that he will show the letter to every person who comes into the building, and we feel that this would be good because everybody loves this man.

Thanks for your consideration of this suggestion.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Sincerely,

William G. Simpson
Administrative Assistant to
the President Pro Tempore

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