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Fort Worth, Texas,  
 Fort Worth, Texas February 1, 1947.

Honorable Sam Rayburn,  
 1900 Que Street, N. W.,  
 Washington, D.C.

Dear Sam: Since wiring you, I have thought of something that may appeal to the President even more than attending our great livestock show PERIOD You are of course familiar with the fact that Will Rogers was an adopted citizen of Fort Worth and Fort Worth a second home to him, and though he became the nation's outstanding humorist, one of its soundest philosophers and most beloved characters, he remained throughout his life a cowman at heart, with a deep love for livestock of all types PERIOD Our magnificent coliseum and out municipal auditorium bearing his name stand as memorials to him PARAGRAPH

Because of this background and my affection for him, I commissioned a talented sculptor, several years ago, to do a lifesize equestrian statue of him for presentation to the city of Fort Worth PERIOD This statue is complete, in place on the grounds of the buildings named for Will, waiting the appropriate occasion for its unveiling PARAGRAPH

I know the President was a grat admirer and old friend of Will's PERIOD If, because of his affection for him, he should take time out on his Texas trip to unveil a statue of him in the city and amid surroundings he loved, it would be a tribute all friends of Will throughout the nation would greatly appreciate PARAGRAPH

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I notice his schedule calls for the ceremonies in Waco on the morning of March 6 followed by a luncheon PERIOD The President could fly up the afternoon of the Sixth, unveil the statue, attend the Stock Show that night, and either leave at its close or early the next morning. Little time would be lost

PARAGRAPH

I shall appreciate your bringing this to his attention and I sincerely hope he will see fit to do it PARAGRAPH

That was a great party given you last night PERIOD Texas of course is proud of you and proud <sup>that</sup> your colleagues think so much of you. But their esteem, as great as it is, is only a fraction of that in which all Texans hold you.

Sincerely,

AMON CARTER

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