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Mr. Amon Carter
c/o Fort Worth Star Telegram
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Amon:

As I told you at dinner several days ago, Mayor LaGuardia asked me to put a District of Columbia banner into the Aquacade finale. When I pointed out that he was thereby creating a forty-ninth state, the Little Father said, "So what." I told him if he was going to start creating new states, then I would do a little state-creating myself. And so -- hot or cold -- at the Aquacade anyhow -- Fort Worth becomes a state. That's okay with me because rather than being just a state, as you probably know, Fort Worth with me is a state of mind.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

Billy

Billy Rose

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