

THE WHITE HOUSE
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My dear Congressman:

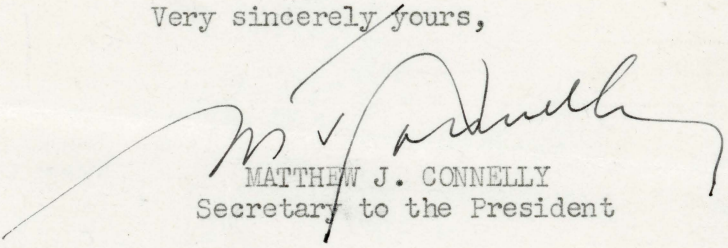
The President has asked me to thank you ever so much for your letter of January thirtieth, as well as for your letter of February third to me which I was very happy indeed to bring to his attention. He sincerely wishes that it were possible for him to accept the cordial invitation which you and Mr. Carter have extended to him to visit Fort Worth on his forthcoming trip to Mexico City, for he knows how much he would enjoy both the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show and the unveiling of the Will Rogers statue.

Unhappily, however, the time at the President's disposal on this trip is extremely limited, and the only stop arranged either going or coming is the one at Baylor University, which has already been announced. The President regrets exceedingly that circumstances are such that he must adhere to this schedule, but he is confident that both you and Mr. Carter will fully understand the situation.

It goes without saying that I, too, am most grateful for the kind invitation which you extended to me.

The President sends you his very best wishes, in which I join.

Very sincerely yours,



MATTHEW J. CONNELLY
Secretary to the President

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