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President Jimmy Carter
The White House
Washington

Dear President Carter:

I would like you to know how deeply
felt my friends will remain that I was chosen
as one to receive from you the Presidential Medal
of Freedom. You as the President could have given
us no greater honor, I know. But on that wonderful
day, it was also clear that what you spoke to
each of us had been thought and felt as a person,
and the Citation expressed a response to the work
of each of us as we stand before you. I shall
always remember, besides the great honor, the
generous and grace of the occasion.

The perfection of the evening, the music, the presence of friends, all seemed to partake of its spirit.

Thank you and Mrs. Carter for your generous and warm hospitality - for the beautiful luncheon, enjoyed so that each of us could celebrate the wonderful event, and feel our pride, in the circle of his own family and friends.

Thank you, for the rest of my life, for the home you bestowed.

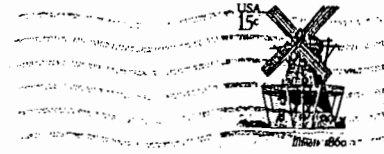
May I visit you and Mrs. Carter every good and fortunate and well-deserved thing -

Sincerely yours,

Endre Wieg

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