Hon. Herbert H. Lehman
The Capitol
Albany, New York

My dear Governor:

At this late date I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for your very lovely letter of sympathy to me at the time of my Father's death.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say to you how much we have appreciated your aid in the working out of the Savings Bank Insurance law. I am sure your brother, the Judge, or someone else has told you that my Father considered this his greatest achievement and felt that the spread of this idea, embodied in different laws in many states would be his greatest monument. When we reminded him that he had 23 years of opinions in the United States reports, he still insisted that the enactment of the Savings Bank Insurance law in Massachusetts practical result thereof in the writing of more than $100,000,000 worth of savings bank insurance policies, was his greatest achievement.

I also take the liberty to tell you at this time that I have been working with the State Nurses Association and Jane Todd, unofficially, on a new bill which Miss Todd will introduce into the legislature on January 7th. I trust the legislature will pass it, and that you will feel it possible to sign it, because in spite of the conflicting statements that you have undoubtedly heard, I believe that this is the safest and best way to deal with the critical situation involved in the present shortage of registered professional nurses.

May I also wish you and Mrs. Lehman a happy new year, if this is the proper greeting in this world of war.

Sincerely yours,

Susan Brandeis

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