January 20, 1941

Dear Governor Lehman:

The Faculty and Board of Directors desire to give expression to their profound admiration of the high ideals reflected in every aspect of your administration of high office.

Through the initiation of much needed legislation, you have brought alleviation to the suffering and underprivileged; as the able administrator, as the spokesman for all people of this state, as the leader of many just causes, you have transmitted some of the Prophetic ideals to the realm of practical affairs.

It gives me great pleasure to inform you that on the recommendation of the Faculty of this Seminary, approved by its Board of Directors, I have been authorized to tender you the degree, Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, to be conferred at the Commencement exercises to be held in the Seminary Quadrangle on Sunday, June 15th, at four o'clock. I trust that you will be able to accept.

This would be the first occasion on which the institution would confer the degree of Doctor of Laws and
we feel that there is no one to whom the award could
more fittingly be made.

Faithfully yours,

Louis Finkelstein,
President

The Honorable Herbert H. Lehman
The Executive Mansion
Albany, New York

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