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Dear Senator Lehman:

It was with dismay and deep sorrow that I read in the *New York Times* your determination not to seek re-election to the United States Senate and to retire from public life. Your public service has been so long and so great; so conspicuous in its intellectual integrity; in its forthrightness and courage; in its unceasing devotion; in its unswerving support of every good cause; and so complete in its support of every good cause; and so complete in its

Moreover, your retirement is a body. Nevertheless, your retirement is a body.

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As an aide of the Bureau of Public Relations, I hope, along with millions of others, that you will reconsider and yield to a draft.

My father - a great man who treated several generations of your family - used to remind us that retirement was the one era of life he wanted to avoid. He thought, he said, "to die in harness," and he did. He would have been unhappy otherwise, and he died. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret. Participation may cause you an analogous regret.
Shining record of battles fought and won for the common good.

Mrs. Gruening and I will never forget your sympathy and assistance during the tragic episode which beset us nearly a year ago. We shall always be grateful for your help, for the trust you bestow on us, your help, for the trust you bestow on us, for the trust you bestow on us.

Crowded duties to comfort and help us.

Dorothy joins me in sending our affectionate greetings to Mr. Lehman and our heartfelt wishes for your life, health, and happiness.

Cordially yours,

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