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Senator Edwin C. Johnson
Senate Office Bldg.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

I understand that Marshall MacDuffie has been suggested to the President for appointment as Under-Secretary of Commerce. Because of your position in the Senate, you will undoubtedly be consulted on this appointment.

I wanted to pass along to you some information concerning Mr. MacDuffie which might be helpful. I have known Mr. MacDuffie for about fifteen years rather intimately. I went through school and college with him and then knew him well subsequently in various governmental and non-governmental activities. He is a man of great moral integrity and finest character. He also has a very fine intelligence and broad educational background. He has always evidenced great loyalty to his friends and his principles.

If the opportunity should present itself, I would appreciate it very much if you could pass this information on to Mr. Sawyer.

Very truly yours,

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(Mayor)