May 9, 1930

Hon. Herman H. Lehman,
Lieutenant Governor, State of New York,
The State House,
Albany, N. Y.

My dear Governor:

Some time ago in the course of a conversation with you I expressed myself as clearly as possible concerning the real need which this state has for your services. I said at that time that I hoped you would not become discouraged by the obstacles placed in your path but would continue to sacrifice yourself by remaining in politics.

The opinion of the man in the street may or may not carry weight with you, but I want to repeat that opinion in my case since I observe a story that you are considering your retirement from politics.

This is a purely personal note on my part and is written merely to emphasize the opinion of a disinterested observer. My opinion is that you are badly needed. I sincerely hope that there was no basis for the report.

Sincerely yours,

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