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Dr. Hector Garcia 1315 Bright Corpus Christi 78405

Dear Hector:

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I was genuinely moved to receive your letter of friendship and encouragement while I was in the hospital in Houston. It is one of the nicest letters I have ever received, and I'm saving it to read again from time to time.

I hope you will believe me that every sentiment of friendship and mutual regard which your letter expressed is reciprocated on my part -- and then some.

Janet and I are sorry we were not able to attend the banquet at which you were honored by the Conference of Christians and Jews. I hope the master of ceremonies was up to his material.

I am faintly sad that the Naval Air Station seems to be in such good shape. When it was threatened you and I had many more occasions to be together.

As soon as I am on my feet I will come by and let you autograph my body cast.

Sincerely,

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