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Dr. Hector P. Garcia 3024 Morgan Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Dr. Garcia:

Thanks for your very generous letter of February 22nd. Of course, we have our problems. The enclosed article illustrates one. Of course, such comments do us no good and tend to play up minor differences into major conflicts, but when printed and bandied around Washington, they can slow up our efforts on patronage.

No request for forgiveness is due from you to me. I'm not offended; it is my duty as a public officer to represent the people and to hear every proposition advanced and to work with everyone (particularly with old and trusted and true friends like you) in a courteous manner, in an effort to make government work more efficiently.

Opal joins me in sending our warmest regards to your gracious and charming wife, your lively children and to all of your family.

Sincerely your friend,

RWY/sp

P.S. I was curious about one matter in connection with Judge Salinas' campaign: I was gurious as to why it was directed at me, rather than generally to a number of people who would have to approve him in order for him to get the post? That has me considerably puzzled. Regards.