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April 18, 1965

The Honorable Congressman John Young House Office Building Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Congressman Young:

I have been deeply concerned over your recent hernia operation, but according to local reports I understand you are recuperating very satisfactorily, which we are so graciously thankful for.

Congressman Young, attached is a copy of a letter directed to Mr. Roberson with Civil Service Commission in response to the one send me. Also, you will find a copy of Dr. Arch C. Koontz previous knowledge of sugar contents in my urine. I do not know if this will bear any value on this matter, but I felt this might help in reference to paragraph 3 of his letter.

For information purposes I would like to state of a recent Audit Inspection of this Post Office on 3-30-31-65, by Inspector Westphal. He was very pleased with my management of the entire office and wished me a lot of everlasting luck.

Strange the office work is so very simple and understanding and yet a Civil Service Examination tears me up. What am I to do.

I know you have been most kind in holding me in this high public position and only God rewards you justly, but your friends and mine, my family and my self are wordless in expressing our appreciation for taking the stand you have.

Thank you,

Sincerely yours,

Max Lopez

U. S. Civil Service Commission
Bureau of Recruiting and Examining
Mr. Henry C. Roberson, Chief In ref: Postmaster Examination
Postal Examining Division Woodsboro, Texas 78393
Washington D. C. 20415

Dear Mr. Roberson:

I am in receipt of your letter dated 4-9-65, in regards to my questionable disability during a special examination given me on October 8, 1964, for the position of postmaster at Woodsboro, Texas, an office of the second class.

From three to four days prior to the examination, being aware of the importance to me in passing this examination, I became highly worried, full of tension and afraid. I was unable to asleep or rest during the night before and my breathing seemed to be difficult. Despite this I drove thirty miles that morning to report for the examination, due to the scheduled instructions. At the time, I felt I would jeopardize my opportunity on this matter if I failed to appear, therefore I placed forth all my efforts.

Perhaps one of the best means as to my reaction at time of the examination is to ask Mrs. Pagel at Beeville, Texas who conducted the examination; also for the Commission to review what I best could write on examination papers.

During the examination beside shortage of breathing, I experience temporary blackouts impairing my vision and my comprehensive reading ability. I had no alternative, but to guess out the examination. After commencing the second part of the examination I reported to Mrs. Pagel, E could no longer be there so she requested I sign the examination papers, which I did willingly.

After the examination I continued to feel worse so on the third day I consulted with Dr. Hector Garcia and through examining, he found I had a kigh measure of sugar in my urine. As results I was hespitalized for six days and since then I have taken orally oranase and other medicine, which has resulted in great improvement to my health.

Attached is statement by Dr. Arch C. Koontz of Woodsboro confirming previous findings of sugar in my urine. Also, I wish to point out that if my record is checked I showed such traces upon separation from the U.S. Army in March 15, 1946. I reported this on my health form along with my original application for postmaster.

I realize this is a prolonged explanation, but I feel you need to know all of these facts in order to make your sincere consideration.

Thank you,

Sincerely yours,

Max Lopez