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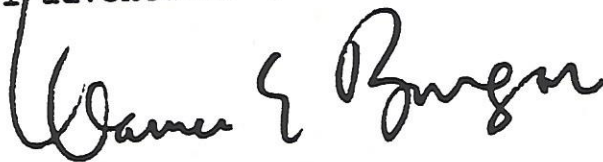
Dear Friend of the United States Constitution:

It's a pleasure to send you the enclosed materials which tell the story of how this country's freedom trail was blazed -- in a hostile world where kings and despots had hitherto set the rules.

Our national charter is a living monument because -- for two hundred years -- We The People have translated the Constitution's words into the reality of liberty, opportunity, and justice for all.

We intend to treat September 17, 1987, as the "kick-off" of a program that will continue as we focus on the ratification struggle and a new look at the Legislative, Executive and Judicial processes. Finally in 1991, we will concentrate on the Bill of Rights and the later Amendments and their meaning in the daily life of every American.

Thank you for your interest in our great Constitutional adventure.



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