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Dear Bill:

When you left North Carolina on your visit with us in Pinehurst, you left many, many friends in Rotary behind.

Thank you for a truly fine speech. You gave us a deep insight in the real value of international understanding. I especially appreciate your reference to the objectives of Rotary. We are extremely fortunate to have you as a member of our NASA team.

You gave our son, Ricky, a big thrill by having your picture taken with him. I am sure he will cherish it forever.

Please accept my sincere apppreciation for helping us create one of the most eventful and memorable conferences in the history of this district.

Jean joins me in extending our best wishes to you, and we are hopeful that our paths will cross again soon.

Sincerely.

Richard Earl Johnson Governor District 769

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