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Redmond Tyler, Director
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Dear Mr. Tyler:

This last weekend, Northeastern Pennsylvania, especially Wyoming Valley, had as its guests a large delegation from Biloxi, Gulfport and other Gulf Coast cities in Mississippi. Their presence here, is, in my opinion, one of the most unique relationships between two American communities. They have been of immeasurable help to the citizens of this flood stricken area in assisting them in their recovery, giving them the benefit of their sad experience as the result of Hurricane Camille, and lending us considerable encouragement. This past weekend, they brought Christmas messages in the form of gifts for children of flood stricken families, books for our libraries, and the Perkinson Junior College choral group to elevate our morale with Christmas carols. I was the recipient of a telegram upon their arrival from President Nixon which accurately described their visit as follows:

"The Sister-city relationship between the Wyoming Valley and the six coastal cities of Mississippi who were so badly mauled by Hurricane Camille and tropical storm Agnes is in the finest of American tradition.

"My warmest good wishes go out to all who have had a part in this generous gesture of assistance and friendship from Mississippians to Pennsylvanians. It is an expression of the kind of unity that has made us a great and strong nation." /s/ Richard Nixon

I understand that the visit of the Mississippi delegation to this area could not have been possible except for your personal cooperation and the understanding

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and cooperation of Southern Airways. In behalf of the Flood Recovery Task Force and a grateful community, I extend to you our deep appreciation of your company's magnificent display of good citizenship and humanitarian concern. Our appreciation of your thoughtfulness and interest is enhanced since we know of your problems in recent weeks. Our only regret is that your certificate does not give you a scheduled service to the Wilkes-Barre - Scranton Airport.

Please convey our deepest appreciation to the President and officers of your company and we extend to you at this time of year Seasons Greetings and the best wishes for a New Year filled with Good Health and Prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

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