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Mrs. Mary Lasker
Hotel Statler
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mary:

There is very little anyone can say to comfort you in the passing of Mr. Lasker and very little anyone can do to make up for the great sense of loss you feel. Those who were in a position to know what he believed in, as I was, and what he did to help people will feel a continuing obligation to live up to the high standards of integrity and selflessness that he maintained.

That is small compensation for his going, I know, but you can be sure that the good he did during his life will not end now. It will be carried on by others because of his great principles, and I assure you I shall do everything in my power to be among them.

You have lost Mr. Lasker as a companion, but you will never lose the good things that live on in his name. That is a rare legacy and one you can always look on with pride as I looked on him with admiration and respect. I hope in the years to come that we will all justify his high hopes for doing more for people and making this a little better world to live in.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

John E. Fogarty, M.C.