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My dear Dr. Goldstein:

Please accept the President's thanks for your message commending his action in vetoing the McCarran-Walters Bill. In his message returning the Immigration and Nationality Act to the House of Representatives without his approval, he stated his conviction that the bill was a step backward in the immigration and naturalization policy of our country. Unfortunately this action by the President failed by two votes of being sustained in the Senate.

With the thought that you might like to have a copy of the President's veto message for your ready reference, I am taking the liberty of sending you a copy herewith.

Very sincerely yours,

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THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

WE CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR VETO OF THE MCCARRAN-WALTER
IMMIGRATION BILL WHICH WOULD HAVE DEALT A CALAMITOUS BLOW
TO AMERICAN PRESTIGE ABROAD AND TO DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES AT
HOME. YOU HAVE NOW GIVEN THE CONGRESS A FRESH OPPORTUNITY, BY
SUSTAINING YOUR VETO, TO REJECT THE BIGOTRY AND RACISM OF THE
MCCARRAN-WALTER BILL AND TO ENACT GENUINELY LIBERAL

IMMIGRATION LEGISLATION CONTAINING NECESSARY SAFEGUARDS FOR
OUR NATIONAL SECURITY AND IN KEEPING WITH OUR BEST TRADITIONS
AND OUR POSITION OF ORAL LEADERSHIP IN THE WORLD

DR ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN / PRESIDENT / AMERICAN JEWISH
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