THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

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Dear Bob:

Please accept my belated thanks for the role you played in the Senate's passage of S. 884, the Agriculture and Food Act. Secretary Block kept me informed of your steady leadership and I salute you for it.

The action by the Senate will help us, particularly in the dairy support program, to correct an over-reliance upon government, a condition which is not in the best interest of the American farmer. The target price and loan support levels for wheat and feed grains set by S. 884 will allow our farmers to compete more successfully in the world market and to expand exports. These provisions and other positive features of the bill might not have been included without your skillful assistance.

I want you to know how much I appreciate yet another job well done.

Ronald Reagan

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