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Dear Bob,

We were thrilled to hear the news that you received the Presidential Medal of Freedom today for your selfless devotion to your country -- as a soldier, a legislative giant, and as a man whose faith in America has never wavered. You are most deserving of this honor -- it's way overdue -- and we are certainly applauding your achievements across the miles. Speaking of experience, Bob, we want you to know that it's pretty darn tough getting through all the metal detectors at the airport with that medallion around your neck. Wear it with caution!

Seriously, few individuals can point to a career as extraordinary as yours. You have made a positive difference for America which will be all the more evident as history is written. Please give our love to Elizabeth and enjoy a prosperous 1997 -- campaign free! If you ever find yourself in Los Angeles on the "mashed potato" circuit please do drop by for a visit.

Congratulations and God bless you.

Sincerely,

Ron + Nancy

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