July 8, 1945

Dear Mr. Odets:

It was more than kind of you to write me about my husband.

He was, as you say, a citizen product of the United States, with a great love for his country and an abiding faith in her future. Because of that faith he had the courage to work for the aims in which he believed.

With many thanks for your letter and my best wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,
Dear Mrs. Roosevelt,

Tonight I read back all the April newspaper articles about the President, and it was my humble impression that they did not say the deepest things which millions, myself included, mutely felt.

That in Franklin Roosevelt we saw the kind of citizen this country can produce, mixed with our love for him there was (and is) a deep pride in the fact that he was a citizen product of the United States.

For me, myself, he was a distant, good and noble uncle; and now even the thought of him brings good health.

Sincerely your friend,

Clifford Odets.