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April 20, 1945

Dear Grace:

I am sending you a copy of a letter signed by the President today after a conference that Jimmy Roosevelt and I had with him. It is self-explanatory.

Very sincerely,

Samuel I. Rosenman

Miss Grace Tully
The White House
Washington, D.C.

April 20, 1945

By request, you or in the custody of the various heads, the various papers and documents may keep it under the name of the file, and all such to be segregated till such time as they can be sent to the Treasury. I will call for or have called for or will give you or the secretary of the Treasury an order for these papers and documents.

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Harry S. Truman

Estate of Franklin D. Roosevelt
C/o Colonel James Roosevelt
Hyde Park, New York
April 20, 1945

Gentlemen:

I understand that, at my request, you are willing to leave in the Map Room or in the custody of the Naval Aide to the President until such time as the Government no longer requires them, the various papers and memoranda which are dated up to April 13, 1945.

These papers and memoranda belonged to the late President and will, as they become unnecessary for the purposes of government, be sent to the National Archives separately marked in the name of the Estate of Franklin D. Roosevelt, and will there be held in storage until called for by you or by your duly authorized agents.

In the interest of national security I must direct, however, that none of the cases or files of these papers or documents be called for or opened for inspection until the termination of the present national emergency except on order of the President of the United States.

I shall ask Admiral Brown to segregate all the papers and documents in the Map Room so that they can be earmarked as your property in the meantime; and I shall ask him to send to the National Archives all of the papers and documents he has already set aside for delivery to you, as well as those which he will be able to deliver to you in the future.

As soon as the rush of work permits, I shall have an inventory made of these papers and documents and sent to you so that the Estate may keep it in its files.

Very sincerely,

Harry S. Truman

Estate of Franklin D. Roosevelt
a/o Colonel James Roosevelt
Hyde Park, New York
May 29, 1945

Dear Mr. President:

I am sending to you herewith the key to the special safe containing the highly confidential files of the late President and which is now deposited in the National Archives, Washington, D.C.

I believe I told you that this particular safe is marked "To be opened only on order of the President of the United States."

My kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

GRACE G. TULLY

The President,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

Enclosure
I wish to thank you very much for the opportunity you gave me to continue in Government service under your Administration.

January 25, 1947

Dear Mr. President:

As I ask to remain in Washington, I was in the President, that should there be an occasion where I could be of the slightest possible service. I wanted very much to have an opportunity, when I saw you recently, to tell you of my future plans but I hesitated because I did not want to take any more of your time, realizing there were other appointments waiting. I was most appreciative of the chance to have that little talk with you and to know of your great interest in the matter we discussed.

With the removal of the papers to Hyde Park, my particular job was terminated, so I am asking for involuntary separation from Government service on January 31, 1947. I have talked with Mr. Latta and Mr. Sanderson and they said they would be glad to work out the details.

Washington, D.C.

I have been offered a position with the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial Foundation, which plans to open an office in Washington, and I have accepted as of February first.
I wish to thank you very much for the opportunity you gave me to continue in Government service under your Administration.

As I am to remain in Washington, may I say, Mr. President, that should there be an occasion where I could be of the slightest help to you in any way, please command me.

With grateful thanks for your many kindnesses and my very best wishes,

Always sincerely,

The President,
The White House,
Washington, D.C.

I wish you great happiness in what I can easily realize will be for you a labor of love. I shall wish to keep informed about the activities of the Foundation and shall desire to be helpful as opportunity permits. You and I will always have this in common — our holding reverence for the memory of a great and good man.

Cordially and sincerely,

Harry S. Truman
January 27, 1947

Dear Miss Tully:

It was good to talk with you the other day and I was delighted to hear about your plans for the future. I think it a very happy circumstance that you are to be associated with the Washington office of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Memorial Foundation.

The necessary steps have been taken for your separation from government service on January thirty-first next, in accordance with the request which you embodied in your letter of January twenty-fifth. The work which you have been carrying on since the late President's untimely passing has been of the highest importance and it was fortunate indeed that you could discharge duties for which you were exceptionally qualified.

I wish you great happiness in what I can easily realize will be for you a labor of love. I shall wish to keep informed about the activities of the foundation and shall desire to be helpful as opportunity permits. You and I will always have this in common -- an abiding reverence for the memory of a great and good man.

Cordially and sincerely,

Miss Grace G. Tully,
3000 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.
May 12, 1947

Dear Miss Grace:

It was fine of you to send me that message of felicitations on my birthday anniversary. I need not tell you that I deeply appreciate your good wishes.

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Miss Grace G. Tully,
3000 Connecticut Avenue,
Center Building, Apartment 129,
Washington, D.C.
Miss Grace G. Tully,
3000 Connecticut Avenue,
Center Building, Apartment 129,
Washington, D.C.
March 19, 1948

Dear Miss Tully:

I appreciated most highly your note of the seventeenth.

I sincerely hope that your mother is getting along all right. Mine went through a suffering that comes with the same sort of an accident on three different occasions.

I am glad you liked the speech.

Sincerely yours,

Harry Truman

Miss Grace G. Tully
3000 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, D. C.
November 22, 1948

Dear Miss Grace:

I want to thank you for that splendid telegram you sent me at Kansas City.

It made me very happy to have these expressions from you and your mother as well as from your sister Alice and her husband, Mr. Sinton. Please tell them how much I appreciate their congratulations.

I feel keenly the responsibilities placed upon me, but with the cooperation of all I shall continue my best efforts to bring about peace in the world.

Mrs. Truman and Margaret join me in reciprocating your friendly greetings.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Miss Grace G. Tully,
Apartment 129,
Center Building,
3000 Connecticut Avenue,
Washington, D. C.
DEAR MISS GRACE:

Your letter of sympathy is such a comfort to me in the irreparable loss I have sustained. Charlie and I have had a close friendship over a long period of years and his passing brings me deep grief. It was more than kind of you to write me in such a consoling way and I am grateful, too, for a remembrance in your prayers.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Miss Grace G. Tully,
Executive Secretary,
Franklin D. Roosevelt
Memorial Foundation,
310 Eighteenth Street, N. W.,
Washington 6, D. C.
HARRY S. TRUMAN
FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY 6, MISSOURI
July 13, 1953

Dear Grace:

I am very appreciative of your help in getting out the Philadelphia speech. I would have been most happy to thank you in person but I didn't get the opportunity.

I hope everything is going well with you.

Sincerely yours,

Miss Grace Tully
National Democratic Committee
1001 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D. C.
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1001 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.

Harry S. Truman  
Federal Reserve Bank Building  
Kansas City, Missouri  
Miss Grace Tully  
National Democratic Committee  
1001 Connecticut Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C.
September 29, 1953

Dear Grace:

Thanks a lot for yours of the eighteenth enclosing me the copy of the letter from Robert Zitt. I read it with a lot of interest.

It was nice of you to congratulate me on the Chicago meeting. I just went there as a private citizen and had a lot of fun. I think the Democratic Party has profited by that meeting. Whether I made a contribution or not is another thing.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Miss Grace G. Tully
Director of Correspondence
Democratic National Committee
1001 Connecticut Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.
February 4, 1955

Dear Mr. President:

I wish you and Mrs. Truman could have been with us yesterday at the reception for your lovely child at the Woman's National Democratic Club. She is a charmer and she looked beautiful.

I understand they had 490 reservations and I can assure you everyone showed up even though the day was bitter cold.

Governor Stevenson dropped in toward the closing hour and we were all happy to have a double feature!

I liked your statement on "the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man."

I might say I share your feeling about escalators.

Enclosed is a very nice photograph taken at the party. I also had the honor of being photographed with Margaret and Mrs. Barkley. I'm sure this one will not see the light of day but if I can track down the photographer, I will send you a copy for your "Margaret collection."

Perhaps you have heard that I am now with Lyndon Johnson and enjoying my work and the association.

I do hope you and Mrs. Truman continue in good health. I know you are both happy to be relieved of the killing burdens of the White House.

I am looking forward to reading your memoirs.
With my warm regards to you, your good wife and Rose Conway.

As ever,

Grace G. Tully

Honorable Harry S. Truman
Federal Building
Kansas City, Missouri

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Dear Grace:

It was kind and thoughtful of you to send me the piece about Margaret. That is a lovely picture of her. It is also a good picture of Governor Stevenson and Mrs. Chapman.

I am glad you liked the extract from my Saint Louis speech. I am also glad that I have a partner on escalators.

I hope everything is going well with you. I can't tell you how very happy Mrs. Truman, Miss Conway and I were to hear from you.

Thank you for writing me as you did.

Sincerely yours,

Harry S. Truman

Miss Grace G. Tully
Office of the Democratic Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C.