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Mr. Frank Austin
32 Harvard Street
Newtonville, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Austin:

I know that Mr. and Mrs. Friedman are very dear friends of yours and that you would be interested in hearing of their good fortune and also about Mr. Friedman's heart attack.

Mr. Friedman returned from a six-week official trip to Europe and was in the office for one week when on 3 April he was stricken with a heart attack. He is presently in the George Washington University Hospital and will remain there until 1 May. The Doctors have diagnosed his attack as a mild coronary occlusion and he is progressing very well but will remain home for a month's rest before returning to his office. Mrs. Friedman reported today for the first time he would be permitted to sit up in a chair for an hour and let his legs hang down. Knowing Mr. Friedman you can well imagine how this confinement is irritating him.

The good news is that the Folger Shakespeare Library awarded them the \$1,000 first prize for their manuscript. It is now in the hands of the publisher (Cambridge University Press) and they expect the book to be in the book stalls sometime this year. Another bit of news is that Mr. Friedman was voted \$100,000 by the House on 20 April to compensate him for loss of royalties on equipment he invented. The bill now goes to the Senate for action.

I hope that you are finding your role as a student very interesting and that you and your family are enjoying the best of good health.

Sincerely,

KAY NOXTINE
Secretary