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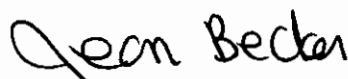


Dear Mr. Reckner:

President Bush was pleased to hear from you and appreciates your gracious invitation to deliver the keynote address at Texas University's Second Triennial Vietnam Symposium on April 18, 1996. Unfortunately, however, it is with respect and regret that he must decline. Retirement has been much busier than he ever imagined, and with so many demands on his time, he must often miss special opportunities such as this one. He hopes you understand.

President Bush asked me to thank you for thinking of him and he sends you his warmest best wishes for a successful symposium.

Sincerely,



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