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Senator George McGovern
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator McGovern,

Now that the rigorous campaign has been completed (and quite successfully!) I wish to express my sincere congratulations to you. As a result of your campaign and election, I have a personal sense of pride and gratification which I share with many South Dakotans. A pride in you for the manner in which you conducted your campaign, and gratification for having a statesman of your stature to represent us in the Senate. Now, possibly more than at any other time in history, our Nation needs empathic yet independent men as its leaders, and judging from your election, the people of your State realize this.

I am writing this letter also for a secondary reason. I write in application for your consideration in regards to working for you in Washington next summer. I think I can realize the competition involved in obtaining such a position and for this reason I am writing early!

I am a Senior this year, majoring in Political Science. I intend to graduate in June with a Bachelor of Arts degree. On campus I have been very active in many organizations. I was Chairman of "Students for McGovern" during the campaign this fall; as a Junior I was the Treasurer of the SDSU Young Democrats; as a High School Senior I was the President of our Young Democrats Club; I am presently Commander of Arnold Air Society, a national honorary society for AFROTC cadets; and I am active in my fraternity. Next fall I intend to fulfill my military duty in the Air Force after which I hope I can attend Law School.

I hope this information might aid you in developing some idea of my backround. Dr. Herbert Cheever and Mrs. Shirley Lyons have kindly consented to act as references for me and soon will send you a letter in this regard.

I would very much like to work for you, sir. It would be a challenging and memorable experience! If there is any other information I can give you, please feel free to write.

Again I congratulate you and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Tom Daschle