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Gentlemen:

It has been a rare privilege to enjoy an increasing acquaintance with the work of Dr. Maurice Hornocker. Enthusiasm is apparently contagious and now several of my friends are also most impressed with the work of this brilliant young scientist. We are convinced that Dr. Hornocker's talent goes far beyond wildlife management, and that he will be one of the great ecologists of our time. We are writing because we feel strongly that those who make important contributions to ecological knowledge deserve the gratitude and the support of those who are concerned about the survival of the human race.

Foremost among those to whom we would express appreciation is the Board of Regents, particularly for your wisdom in appreciating the educational value of the Taylor Ranch and for your fortitude in preserving that important facility for the people of Idaho. It appears quite evident that the Taylor Ranch is the key to a wealth of important research which will have its best opportunity for development under the auspices of your great university.

Thanks are due also to Mr. and Mrs. Jess Taylor for their willingness to make a considerable sacrifice in order that their lovely property might be used in this most appropriate of all ways.

In addition to our thanks we are enclosing a somewhat more tangible evidence of our support in hopes it may be used to signify the great respect we have for Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, your Board and Dr. Hornocker.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor at Taylor Ranch have several most worthwhile pieces of Idaho memorabilia. It would be proper for this material to remain at the ranch. We feel it is possible that Mr. Taylor might make these keepsakes available if he could be assured they would receive adequate care. We would like to propose that the enclosed check be used to provide cases or other protective devices to permit safe display of this material, in consultation, we would suggest, with your university archivists.