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Dear Doctor Taylor:

Again my many thanks for the honor you bestowed upon me at the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Herrett Museum opening. There were others far more qualified, but it was a wonderful experience to be among old friends and see a culmination of many many years of research and scientific endeavors in order to place such a fabulous collection on display to the public for both lay people and professionals to enjoy.

I am prompted to write this letter because of a very dear friend I have known for more than 20 years, Wilma Titmus. She has assisted and aided me in much of my correspondence and in some of my professional writing. Wilma has a long list of her own professional activities, generally being in the line of human relationships, professional correspondence, book-keeping, and personnel work. I feel that Wilma would be a charming hostess. She is very prompt and methodical in my replies to innumerable letters - some I would rather put off, but Wilma always succeeds in getting me to finish the work that I would rather put off until tomorrow. My own letters leave much to be desired, but after Wilma makes the corrections they appear far more professional than what I am equal to.

For the past number of years Wilma has been engaged by a medical group working with appointments, relations between doctor and patient, book-keeping, and correspondence. She is one of much ability holding down several jobs at one time - typing dictated correspondence for a doctor in private practice, doing my office work and bookkeeping as well as maintaining her regular job.

I feel at this time I must explain to you, too, about my relationship with Wilma and her husband, Gene. They have both been great friends over the past many years, and I have come to know them intimately. Gene is now receiving international recognition in primitive technology by displaying his skills and ability. In technologies developed by himself he has succeeded and probably will never be surpassed. He has taken part in many of the symposiums, field schools, and lecture series in promoting and developing this particular field of science, a subdivision of archaeology.

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Wilma has worked with her husband in his behalf and is aware of much of the terminology and nomenclature of archaeological materials. She is not an apprentice, and for the diversity of duties probably to be incorporated in the Museum work, I feel that she would do an outstanding job. Whatever responsibility given her would be fulfilled without question. She would make a great contribution to the College of Southern Idaho, and I am sure you would be proud to have her among your personnel.

Any consideration that you may give Wilma will be deeply appreciated.

Your friend,

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