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Honorable Millard Tydings United States Senate Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator Tydings:

I am sure you will recall that in January of this year I called upon you and you were good enough to give me a few minutes of your time. We briefly discussed statehood for Hawaii, and you told me that while eventually Hawaii would probably become a state, it would be some time yet.

Since my return to Hawaii things have sort of gotten back to normal, and I have some information that leads me to believe that you are sbsolutely right and that there is no particular hurry.

I am taking a flying trip to Washington again and will be there about the first of June for three or four days, and would greatly appreciate it if it is possible to have a few minutes with you. I will check with your secretary and make an appointment.

Our tidal wave has gotten considerable publicity in the papers and it was really a terrible thing. While my house was hit, it is made of stone and stood up in good shape, although the windows and furniture were all broken up and all the surrounding houses were completely demolished. I got caught in the first wave in my car on my way up town, but a truck came along and pulled me out before the big one struck; so we all feel very fortunate.

Thanking you and with kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

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W. H. Hill

WHH: RFA

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