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Mr. James D. Lane 304 Ridgewood Circle Albany, New York 12203

Dear Mr. Lane:

Relative to your letter and our telephone conversation of last week, I wish to thank you again for the invitation to speak at the McKownville Improvement Association's annual banquet on Thursday, February 16, at the Tom Sawyer Motor Inn. As I understand it, you want a legislative wrap-up from a non-partisan point of view and a commentary on legislation on local interests in the town of Guilderland and most particularly, in McKownville.

As I mentioned to you, the matter of the Aircraft Carrier INTREPID is one that recurs constantly because of my position as Chairman of the Committee on Veteran Affairs. The urgency is that the Membership of the non-for-profit corporation which is running the INTREPID as it lies berthed at Pier 86, West 46th Street in New York City are the 257 members of the Congressional Medal of Honor Society who have done so much for our country that it behooves not only me but all of us to work on their behalf whenever the opportunity presents itself. Making the INTREPID a National Heritage Education Foundation is a matter which I am sure will displease some people because of the lottery implication though I might say I saw the President of the United States rise to his feet at a luncheon when the Lieutenant Governor was introduced as the man who was to do so much for THE BILL, (NELL) TON HOTELY WY.

I do hope, in any event, to make the 3:45 p.m. from New York City and be back in Albany should the train be on time and out to the Tom Sawyer between 7:30 and 7:45. The matter is not whether I eat or not so long as I am there in time to do what I can.

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I will check out the Albany County Civic Center matter again several times between now and February 16. In fact, I have talked with President O'Leary on three occasions last week and stressed that I would like to see the traffic count which engineers have come up with as well as what is intended to accommodate the concerns of neighbors in the path of that proposed center on SUNY land.

Looking forward to seeing you on February 16, I am

sincerely,

Richard J. Conners Member of Assembly

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