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Joshua Lederberg Office of the President Rockefeller University 66th and York Avenues New York, NY 10021

Dear Mr. Lederberg:

As Chairman of the Education and Science Organizing Committee of the Pittsburgh Premiere Expo, I am pleased to announce that Carnegie-Mellon University is joining with state and local government officials to sponsor the first major gathering of American Nobel Prize Winners since the Kennedy Administration. This convocation to be held on February 11 and 12, 1981, will be the highlight of nine days of activities to inaugurate the David L. Lawrence Convention and Exposition Center. We would be honored if you would attend.

Five of your colleagues have agreed to make formal presentations at the Center on Thursday, February 12. The Nobel Prize winners and their topics are the following: Hans A. Bethe, Physics (1967), "The Energy Problem"; Saul Bellow, Literature (1976), "Culture and Creativity in Present-Day America"; William N. Lipscomb, Chemistry (1976), "Some of the Aesthetic Aspects of Science"; Arthur Kornberg, Medicine (1959), "Confluence of the Medical Sciences"; and, Theodore W. Schultz, Economics (1979), "Economic Distortion by the International Donor Community".

A formal luncheon will be held on February 12, with a special ceremony honoring all Nobel Prize Winners in attendance. A more intimate reception and dinner is scheduled for Wednesday evening, February 11, for the Nobel Laureates, leading members of the local academic community and a few special guests. In addition, seminars and colloquia will be arranged by several of the universities and colleges in the area in order to take advantage of this unique opportunity for intellectual exchanges.

WQED-TV, the local Public Broadcasting System outlet, has expressed considerable interest in producing a program involving the Nobel laureates. Both national and local media coverage will be extensive.

We hope you will join us as we seek to honor you and your colleagues for excellence in your fields of endeavor.

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In order that the proper arrangements may be made, we would appreciate a response by January 9, 1981. These should be sent to Mr. David Wahl, Director of Administration, Carnegie-Mellon University, 5000 Forbes Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213. You may also telephone Mr. Wahl at (412) 578-2276. Arrangements for travel and accommodations may be coordinated with Mr. Wahl's office. Expenses for you and a guest will be provided by the sponsors of the Conference.

Sincerely.

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