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Mrs. Helen Bernstein  
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Dear Helen,

It was a surprise and a pleasure to hear from you. Of course, I will be very happy to furnish the reference that you had in mind, and I am glad that you did brief me about the circumstances. Yes, it has been quite a few years but I am sure that the people reviewing the application might have been puzzled if there had in fact been no word from your thesis sponsor in this connection.

I have from time to time recalled some of the work you were doing way back then - for example there are still problems about Larry Weed's experiment with copper that keep cropping up and I am still not sure whether we totally understand what is going on there.

You mentioned that your youngest child is starting to go to school. I wonder if you knew about my oldest (and only) ~~son~~ one who is just now 15 months old and the most delightful companion imaginable.

Anyhow, the best to all of you, and I hope your plans work out.

Sincerely yours,

Joshua Lederberg  
Professor of Genetics

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