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My dear Dr. Kolb:

It is a pleasure to have the opportunity to present you with this letter of commendation for your service and achievements in advancing public and professional knowledge of the nature of drug addiction and methods for treatment and rehabilitation of drug addicts. As the second Assistant Surgeon General in charge of the Division of Mental Hygiene you were responsible for significant advancements in the program for the improvement of the mental health of the people. Although your work in the Public Health Service took place before there was a Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, nevertheless, the Department takes pride in having you in its official family.

Your classic work on the psychological factors of drug addiction is remarkable both on its scientific merits and for its role in creating public understanding of narcotic drug addiction problems. Many of your other notable achievements could be mentioned, but I am sure your associates and others working in this field are well aware of them.

Permit me, however, to make one other comment. All of us are inspired by the way in which you continue to use your knowledge and leadership in striving for better public understanding of drug addiction, and by the fact that in your scientific pursuits you have never lost sight of the human being and his essential needs.

I hope this letter will in some small measure express to you not only the high regard of your colleagues and friends, but also the high regard of those who have been privileged to serve in organizations associated with your own.

Sincerely yours,

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