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Dear Congressman Curtis:

The President has asked me to tell you that he has decided to have the first fifty-star flag displayed at Fort McHenry at 12:01 a. m. on July 4, 1960. This, of course, makes it impossible to comply with the request of Reverend J. Murray Marshall that the first display be over the Park Street Church in Boston.

The President regrets that he was unable to comply with Reverend Marshall's request, but has asked that you express to Reverend Marshall his deep appreciation of his suggestion.

Sincerely yours,

Robert E. Merriam
Deputy Assistant
to the President

The Honorable Laurence Curtis
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

CC: Mr. Anderson ✓ J.Z.A.
Mr. Harlow
Mr. Fox
Mrs. Wheaton

Nothing else sent to file
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