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Governor Guy Park,
Platte City, Missouri

Dear Governor:

Day before yesterday Mr. Shannon told me of his interview with you at your residence the night before. He asked me during his absence to represent him in discussing with you any possible jobs that we might get under your administration. He told me that you have informed him it would be very agreeable with you for me to discuss these matters with you for him.

I was wondering if you would be able to see me, either here or at Platte City or wherever you might designate, some time during the next week and before we go to Jefferson City for the inauguration.

I want to reiterate to you what Mr. Shannon said with respect to our position. We have no war with any other faction. In fact we are on extremely good terms with the Pendergast faction here. Personally I am a great admirer of Mr. Pendergast and have every confidence in his integrity and his leadership. We feel, and I am sure they will agree, that we ought to receive some consideration in appointments because it is our desire to keep our organization intact and really, Governor, I think it is the best thing for the Democratic Party that we have two major organizations in Kansas City. I believe the leaders of both factions will agree that is a smart idea.

We speak for some very good men and women of this community who have devoted their entire lives to fighting for the Democratic ticket and, of course, it is of them that we think when we undertake to try to help them to places in the state and we can assure you that we would not under any circumstances select any man or woman for any place that would not reflect credit upon you and your administration, and always bear in mind that we want to be helpful, that we want to see your administration go over just exactly 1000 percent successful and I am quite sure, with your solid judgment and your good practical sense, that when your time will have expired the Democrats of this state will be in such a secure

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position that the Republicans will not be able to oust us for many years to come, if ever.

I want to assure you that my thought in meeting with you is to be of what little help and assistance I can in carrying on to a successful end. I hope you will find it possible to meet with me the early part of next week,- however, at your convenience.

Assuring you always of my very kindest personal regards and sincerely hoping for your complete success as the next Governor of Missouri, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

M. J. Henderson

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