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Mr. and Mrs. Danny Kaye  
1103 San Ysidro Drive  
Beverly Hills, California 90210

Dear Danny and Sylvia:

It was so good of you to join us for dinner at Greystone last week. I hope you have a better understanding of what The American Film Institute is all about as a result of the evening you spent with us.

As you may know, President Nixon has personally accepted our invitation to be with us March 31st at the Beverly Hilton for the dinner honoring John Ford with AFI's first life achievement award.

I hope you will do all you can to make this dinner a success, particularly since this will mark the first time a President of the United States has ever participated in a film tribute event.

Sincerely,  
  
George Stevens, Jr.

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