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Dear Danny,

What a disappointment it was to go to the U.S. Committee meeting this morning to participate in "A tribute to Danny Kaye", and to find that you could not appear - in person or by voice. They ran a short film on you and your contributions to UNICEF which was exciting, moving and totally charming, but it wasn't the same as seeing or hearing you personally. We missed you very much indeed, and I was especially sorry.

Having gone through somewhat the same plumbing restoration as you (but I had only two fixtures repaired!), I know something of the problems of recovery and convalescence. I had had some ups and downs, but feel very well now. Although walking and swimming moderately, I still have to take things a bit more slowly than usual.

I hope you will soon be your old - but renewed self. But, from someone who has been there, don't push it. Just marvel at what modern surgery can do!

Please let us know when you next come to New York - it has been much too long since we have had the pleasure of seeing you. We need that renewal!

All the best,

As ever,

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