## THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

September 16, 1981

Dear Paul:

Nancy and I are delighted to join the National Multiple Sclerosis Society in honoring you tonight.

Throughout your career you have brought, and continue to bring, a rare degree of dedication and concern to your work. Whether as Lieutenant Governor, Governor, or Senator, you have provided devoted service to the people of Nevada and the nation. For over two decades, you have significantly contributed to the dialogue on the crucial issues facing our country. The progress now being made in the Nation's Capital is a product of the type of leadership you have repeatedly demonstrated in public life.

You are a man who epitomizes the rugged independence of the West. Together we share a fondness for horseback riding, cowboy boots, and open spaces — all of which makes me wonder what we are doing in Washington.

There is one compensation to being here. It is the presence and counsel of good and trusted friends like you. When we were Governors, we were neighbors, and now we are neighbors again.

Once more, I am delighted to join in this tribute to you, and I applaud your commitment to the welfare of our nation, the example you set for your countrymen, and your many contributions to our land.

Sincerely,

Ron

The Honorable Paul Laxalt United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510