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Mr. Chaim Billet  
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Dear Chaim and Dan:

Although I thanked you orally when you gave me the gift of the painting by <sup>(me)</sup>, I want to put into writing the profound feelings of gratitude by my wife and myself as well as all our children.

It is only after I came home and viewed the painting from a distance, that I realized how stunningly beautiful it is. It is so expressive and so meaningful, esthetically as well as personally, that we will treasure it and hope to cherish for many years to come.

As I told you, it was really unnecessary to do anything of this sort for me. My feelings for Gesher is both ideological and personal, with no thought of <sup>דבר אחר</sup>.

Nevertheless, your gesture is something I deeply appreciate from every point of view. Anything more I can say will be superfluous; hence, just the two words - "Thank You."

Cordially yours,

RABBI NORMAN LAMM

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