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Dear Jackie:

Today, of course, is President Kennedy's birthday. On behalf of President Nixon I went over to Arlington Cemetery this morning and laid a wreath. On the way back to the White House it suddenly came to me that I was going to spend most of the day working on a Presidential Message to Congress on the redevelopment of Pennsylvania Avenue. This was precisely the subject on which Bill Walton, Charlie Hersky and I were working when the news came from Dallas. He had left instructions that he wanted the plans ready to show to a group of Congressmen when he returned.

I have understood that this was one of a very few items on a list of things you felt he would have wanted finished, which you left with President Johnson. Anyway, I have stayed with it these many years. With any luck before the fortnight is out we will have a formal Presidential proposal and a bill.

If all goes well, I will send you copies. For the moment, greetings. We think of you often.

Best,

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