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February 11, 1939

Mr. Marriner S. Eccles,  
Chairman, Board of Governors,  
Federal Reserve Bank,  
Washington, D.C.

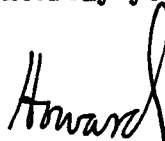
Dear Marriner:

I have recently been invited to attend a luncheon of The Economic Club of Detroit, where you will be the speaker, on February 20. This club, as you have probably been advised, includes the most representative industrial and financial men in Detroit, and I am also told that they have especially invited a considerable number of bankers from the various cities in the State.

In the event that your plans would permit such an arrangement, I would like very much to arrange either a breakfast or dinner for you on the day you are in the city. It would thus be possible for you to meet a number of individuals in a more personal way, and I would be very happy to be your host on such an occasion.

If Mrs. Eccles should accompany you, we would of course be delighted to have her as a guest in our home.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Howard".

February 14, 1939

Dear Howard:

I have yours of February 11 and am glad to note that you are to attend the luncheon of the Economic Club of Detroit at which I am to speak on February 20.

Regarding my plans on arrival at Detroit, Mr. Buss has already written that he will meet me at the train and I understand has planned a program up to and including the luncheon meeting. Also, I have already accepted a dinner invitation that evening so that I can't avail myself of your kind suggestion regarding breakfast or dinner. However, I shall look forward to having a visit with you during the luncheon.

Yours sincerely,

M. S. Eccles.

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