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Mr. J.W. Guy,
247 N. Broadway,
Turlock, California

Dear Mr. Guy,

In behalf of the Turlock Social Club, I take this method of expressing our most sincere appreciation for the kindnesses you bestowed upon us and our parents for the past decade.

The Western Defense Command of the United States has considered it a military necessity that we evacuate very soon. To its decree, we are cheerfully cooperating as every loyal American should do, although our share is not as important as those in the front lines.

Throughout our education, we have been taught the American way-- the democratic way of life. Most of us only know the American way from a practical viewpoint. And in order that we may live, sleep and breathe in such atmosphere in the future, we shall do our part to help. Many of us farmers, especially in this valley, are still of the belief that we can do the nation more good by producing the goods than being evacuated, but that is not for us to decide.

When the United States Government permits us to return to our homes in this community where we were raised, we earnestly hope that we can come back with a stronger conviction that this democratic way of life is the best, as we have been taught and experienced. We hope that you and the community will accept us and our children then as one of you, as you have always done up to this time.

Because we do not know when actual evacuation will be asked of us, this simple expression of our feelings now convey our appreciation for your past kindnesses.

Goodbye just for the present.

Yours very sincerely,

T. Iwata, president