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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland 5, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have just read, with interest, an article in the <u>Cleveland Plain Dealer</u> of May 18th which Mr. Luntz was kind enough to send me. Your thoughtful and reasoned approach to the question of "A Catholic In The Thite House?" is both a measure of sustenance and encouragement. I can't help but feel that many Americans are less bigoted and less intolerant today regarding this troublesome matter than they were 30 years ago. Tolerant voices, such as yours, vill surely produce an atmosphere in which all of us can abide peaceably.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely, 1 uch nu

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ATTENTION EVELYN LINCOLN: I SHOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE SENATORS AND THE GOVERNOR OF OUR STATE, THE MAYOR OF OUR CITY, MR LOUIS SELTZER, EDITOR OF THE CLEVELAND PRESS. AND MANY OTHER DISTINGUISHED CITIZENS IN URGING YOU TO ACCEPT THE INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS IN CLEVELAND ON SUNDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER NINETEENTH. WE WOULD BE DEEPLY HONORED BY YOUR ACCEPTANCE AND YOUR MESSAGE ON THIS OCCASION WILL, I AM SURE, PROVE MOST TIMELY AND HELPFUL. WARMEST REGARDS

ABBA HILLEL SILVER.