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Mr. Jim Saito NCRR
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Dear Mr. Saito:

I want to thank you for the note you gave to me on my way to Los Angeles. I do recall that you were one of the very first people to bring to my attention the issue of redress payments for Japanese Americans who were seasonal workers at the time of the internment, and for those who served in the United States Armed Forces during the Second World War.

Your prescience in this matter led to a significant change in our understanding of the eligibility requirements set out in the Civil Liberties Act of 1988. This understanding, formally stated in the Final Regulation prepared by the Office of Redress Administration, forms the basis for our considerations as we examine these cases. The regulation, 28 CFR part 74, was published in the Federal Register on Friday, August 18, 1989. A copy is enclosed for your information and reference.

Your contribution to the implementation of redress is an accomplishment that you can take great pride in. Thank you for your thoughts and your assistance. You have my best wishes for the future.

Sincerely yours,

Róbert Bratt

Administrator of Redress

Enclosure