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Mother M. Teresa, M.C.
Missionaries of Charity
54A Lower Circular Road
Calcutta 16, India

Dear Mother Teresa:

I understand that you plan to speak to the National Catholic Education Association in Chicago the week after Easter.

I would like to invite you to come to Davenport (less than one hour by plane). There are two events taking place in our diocese, and we would be most pleased if you could address these gatherings.

The Davenport Catholic Interracial Council would like to present you with the 1976 Pacem in Terris Peace and Freedom Award. The Award is given annually to one who has lived out the principles of Pope John XXIII's encyclical, Pacem in Terris. Previous recipients have been: President John F. Kennedy (posthumously), John Howard Griffin (author of Black Like Me), R. Sargent Shriver (Director of the war on poverty), Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., A. Philip Randolph, Father James Groppi, Saul Alinsky, Dorothy Day, Senator Harold Hughes, and this year to Archbishop Helder Camara of Brazil. The award includes an honorarium of \$1,000.

On Sunday, April 25, 1976, we will hold a diocesan-wide convention for Christian Service Committees. The purpose of this convention is to get every parish in the diocese involved in Christian Service and working for social justice.

The Catholic Interracial Council Pacem in Terris Award could be scheduled so that it would be possible for you to address both gatherings.

I sincerely hope that you will be able to visit us. If April 25 is not a good date, we would be happy to receive you on any day that you can come.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gerald F. O'Keefe
Bishop of Davenport

cc: Ms. Eileen Egan