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Dear Four-footed Darkroom Mole -

We didn't know about your troubles, but we have long known your courage, compassion, and capability - (how's that for a sincerely felt alliteration?) How do you feel about becoming a national monument? Ansel and Beau and I are also trembling on the verge. Nobody seems to realize the hard work, the humility, that the people or the cause or just the necessity to make plain the truth was what compelled us to do what we have and will do.

Praise is pleasant, yes, when it isn't barbed by envy.

Dearest Laura, I know it will be a wonderful show! Mitch, I gather, has chronic installation problems, but I am sure he will do his best.

No, we haven't seen the book yet, but don't bother - we will get it. It is a contribution to human understanding that has long been overdue. We rejoice it's in print at last.

Have a wonderful time at the opening!

We'll be there in spirit. Give our greetings to Mitch.

Our love to you.

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