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Miss Laura Gilpin
409 Camino del Sol
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87501

Dear Miss Gilpin:

I have not received an invoice from you on the three photographs of Victor so I thought I would write anyway. Actually I am in no hurry for the invoice, although I can hardly wait to have the Higgins portraits in the collection.

I can not tell you how much of a treat it was for me to meet you. For two years I had looked for the opportunity of stopping in and saying hello. I hope you won't mind if I stop in during my future visits to Santa Fe.

Your photographs are absolutely magnificent! What a treat for a person who has recently fallen in love with the Southwest. I hope that we will be able to continue to add your work to our collection. I am currently working on an endowment for photography and one of my first acquisitions will be a platinum print by Laura Gilpin!

I should also note that if you ever run across a collector who is looking for an institution to donate some of your work to, we at Notre Dame would like to be remembered. We will be one of the great photographic centers in the Midwest and I am anxious to see you well represented in our collection.

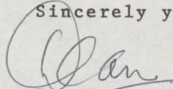
We shall also talk further, I hope, about a showing of your works at the University in the very near future.

I hope you will forgive my enthusiasm but you and your works have produced just that in me and I have never been one to conceal his feelings.

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My very best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "D. Porter", written over a circular embossed seal.

Dr. Dean A. Porter
Director

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