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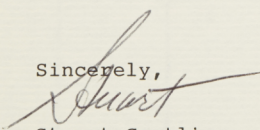
Dear Harlan:

Scott and I appreciate your letter of August 25th. After seeing the wonderful addition to your house that you are building we fully understand that feeling of getting poorer and poorer by the day. While we certainly could have used the funds from the sale of the White House landscapes for our own building project, both Scott and I really did not want to sell them because of their personal connection with President and Mrs. Bush. That the two landscapes were done to compliment the president's portrait was no sales pitch. I must confess that I'm glad that the paintings will remain with us. If we ever decide to sell them some day, we will certainly give you another opportunity to add these works to your collection.

As for your generous offer for a loan or the advance payment on the balance of the portraits of your mom, wife and baby, Scott and I very much appreciate your desire to help. So far we have accomplished our building goals without borrowing any money. However, we have reached a stage where the advanced payment for the portrait would be most helpful. The group portrait will be completed in about two and a half to three months and by that time we may not need the money. An advance payment now could make a great deal of difference. The balance for the portrait is \$32,075.00.

While our project is, of course, more modest than yours, it does have great charm and has been greeted with universal enthusiasm. Scott and I do hope that you and Kathy will come and see it when it is finished. Like you, we are collectors of objects with personal associations with famous historical characters. Some will no doubt delight you and surprise you as well.

Sincerely,



Stuart Gentling