

December 5, 1995

Mayor Ruth Bascom  
City of Eugene  
777 Pearl Street, Room 105  
Eugene OR 97401

Dear Ruth:

Thank you so very much for attending the luncheon and tree-planting ceremony yesterday. Your presence at this commemoration of Corazon Aquino's June visit signified the importance of cooperation between our local community and the university. Dr. de Jesus enjoyed his visit and was impressed by this evidence of town-gown collaboration.

Please accept my heartfelt apologies for my impoliteness at the ceremony, where I forgot to include you among those of us making remarks. I beg your forgiveness and hope not to make such an oversight again.

My impoliteness is particularly embarrassing given my gratitude for your support in this endeavor and for your contribution toward the cost of the tree. The joint support of the two cities, Lane County, and the university made it possible for us to purchase a splendid Oregon Maple and to create a beautiful plaque that can be enjoyed by thousands of people in the years to come. Let us hope that we can bring Mrs. Aquino back to Eugene so that she, too, can enjoy the result of our collaboration.

Thank you once again for your support and for joining us on campus yesterday.

Sincerely,

Dave Frohnmayer  
President

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