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Mr Leonard O. Holmes, Principal Angling Road Elementary School 5340 Angling Road Portage MI 49002

Dear Mr Holmes

I enjoyed visiting with you on the plane between Kalamazoo and Chicago last Tuesday. I hope your conference in D. C. was very beneficial. It was good to get home to Colorado where it was much warmer.

The next day when I went back to work I had a morning rehearsal with our Brass Quintet preparing for an Octoberfest kind of performance. The group leader handed out music for the rehearsal which included - have you guessed? - two books from the "Harry L. Alford Hungry Five" series. The "Hungry Five" series is a collection of small ensemble German Band arrangements. Thursday we performed several of the arrangements from those books.

The march I was trying to think of on the plane is Mr Alford's, "Purple Carnival", an outstanding march - and you were right about the tuba part. Its well - written and tough to play! In talking to our band librarian, I learned that we have in our library two more of his marches, "Law and Order" and "Glory of the Gridiron".

Please tell your wife that her grandfather's music is being performed by the Air Force Academy Band and is highly regarded. I hope our paths will cross again in the future. If you come to Colorado, please visit us.

Sincerely

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Band In Concert Superintendent