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Dr. Herman A. Estrin
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Dear Herman:

It was very difficult for me during the Junior Prom not to comment about something which, at the time, I believe you did not know; namely, that you have been chosen to receive the Outstanding Teacher Award for 1969-70. The Alumni Association asked that I wait until today to dictate a letter to you and I, of course, agreed to its request. Before commenting on specifics with respect to Founders Day, I do want to extend my most sincere congratulations to you on your having been chosen for this high honor. You have an excellent reputation as a teacher both among your colleagues and the students. The committee has made a fine choice.

Because of your selection as the Outstanding Teacher of the Year, I would like to extend a most cordial invitation to Pearl and you to be the guests of the College that evening. A small reception for the honored guests will be held beginning at 5:30 P.M. in Rooms E and F on the mezzanine floor of the Robert Treat Hotel. Dress for the evening will be informal; viz., business suits for the men.

The presentation will be made to you, as I understand it, by John Petro, a former President of the Alumni Association. We are trying to keep the ceremonial portion of the evening as brief as possible. As you know, there will be other awards presented that evening such as the Cullimore Medal, the Weston Medal, and the Alumnus of the Year Award. It is not necessary for you to respond, but if you would like to do so, we are asking that those receiving other awards limit their responses to not more than two minutes. I have been asked by the Faculty Committee planning the Founders Day Dinner to make this request of each recipient. I hope you will not mind the restriction, assuming you would like to respond.

You have undoubtedly purchased tickets for the Founders Day Dinner, and hence I am sending a copy of this letter to Professor Richard Mangasarian advising him that you and Pearl are invited guests, and hence, you should receive a refund of the payment made for your tickets. It will be good

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to have Pearl and you with us as guests on the 25th and to have the pleasure and privilege of paying tribute to you when you receive the Outstanding Teacher Award.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Van Houten', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert W. Van Houten
President

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cc: Professor Richard Mangasarian