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Harry S. Truman  
President  
Washington, D.C.

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Dear President Truman:

The day after your election in 1948 I went to work in my new man office as usual. My boss came buzzing in wondering, as many stunned people did "who on earth voted for him?" Four of us looked up from our desks & simultaneously said "I do". There you had it - it was really an election by the people, & I was one of those people.

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I still have my one vote coming up in a couple of years & it won't be going to you or your party. You have betrayed the American people in every single thing down the line & I can see no way for a man of such small stature, so stubborn, conceited, & generally morose changing at this late date.

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I would suggest, however, that before you  
retire for life, you do one decent thing for  
the record -

DEMAND JUSTICE for one of our American  
citizens who is a negro & had the misfortune of  
being born in the South. Open your eyes just a  
little bit & you'll see that popular opinion is no  
longer on the side of the legal lynchers & you can't  
brush it off with "a bunch of reds & malcontents" -  
we're American citizens & intend to have an America  
we can be proud of and one that protects the

Willie Mc Fees

all over the world.

Helen M. Cook

(Mrs. Wm. E.) Cook

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