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My dear Maestro:

I cannot tell you how deeply touched I am by your thoughtfulness in sending me a printed copy of your Fourteenth Symphony with a personal dedication. I shall treasure this expression of your friendship for the rest of my life. Two months ago, I had the great joy of presenting the premiere performances of your Fourteenth Symphony in Mexico City, in a series of four performances in four days. I meticulously followed all the suggestions regarding tempi, etc., which you had sent me following the first performance in Los Angeles. I look forward to many more performances in the coming years.

With gratitude and warmest greetings,

Yours devotedly,

Henri Temianka

HT/cp