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Congressman Donald Fraser  
Congressional Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Congressman Fraser:

Dr. Ted Cooper has just put forward a splendid national policy and program to attack arteriosclerosis, our largest public health problem. The program is strongly supported by almost all close to the problem, including the American Heart Association.

Much of this program can be got underway if the NHLI appropriation is brought up to requested levels. At present it may be that barely enough will be restored to hold the line and take care of increased costs of existing programs.

It would be tragic not to get this program underway, when prevention trials, community prevention programs and other promising researches have been given, for the first time in history, the priority they require within the scientific community. I would be grateful for your exploring the possibilities of restoring fully the NHLI appropriation.

Cordially,

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