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For the vacancy left in the Supreme Court, in case Justice del Toro is appointed, I am also instructed to present to your consideration the names of Hon. Jose A. Poventud, Hon. Leopoldo Felin and Hon. Carlos Franco Soto, practicing attorneys of good repute, the last named having been a District Judge for a number of years, a position which he filled with honor and distinction. They are all good Americans, stand high in the community, and anyone receiving the appointment would give satisfaction to the people.

Thanking you in advance for the consideration which you may give to these recommendations, I beg to remain,

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