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Dr. N.H. Atthreya
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Dear Dr. Atthreya

In January 1974 I was awarded the Rotary Prize for being the Best Student of the Year and selected your book titled "Public Speaking, Committee Meetings" as part of the prize but we met only in October 1988 at the Taj Mahal Hotel, where you were one of the key speakers at a seminar titled "Humour In Productivity", organized by NITIE. I mentioned how your book helped improve my public speaking skills. At the end of the seminar when traveling together, you suggested that I consider being an independent professional.

I nurtured the idea, we maintained contact; and in December 1989, I quit my job. For over a year, from January 1990, I accompanied you to conduct training. Thereafter with your leads I got work to sustain my family. Later, I learnt that you are India's first management consultant, started in 1955; had conducted India's first professional management training seminar; attended by leading industrialists who today, are senior and respected business leaders, are a founder member of the Bombay Management Association and above all, have nurtured many professionals by being a personal coach and mentor. You encouraged me to strive for excellence; follow values and ethics and encourage others. You maintain a low profile of humility and simplicity. Everyone who meets you, for ideas and advice are enlightened and inspired. You are comfortable with all and adapt yourself to their emotional level. I cherish and try to live these lessons I have learnt from you.

On completing 80 years, I praise and thank God for what you have been and are to so many people everywhere, as a person and author who inspires and transforms people and organizations. With me, Dora, Aarti and Anjali wish you many years of health, joy and peace. DR. ATTHREYA, YOU ARE A FRIEND IN NEED BUT EVEN MORE A FRIEND INDEED! May Almighty God bless you and your efforts always and in all ways.

With greetings and warm regards.

Yours sincerely

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