

*14<sup>th</sup> of October, 2015*

*Dear John,*

*We've all been in love with you for a long time. So let me say it aloud: Deep love and deep gratitude for who you are and what you've done; for personal courage in hostile territory; for patience and skillful perseverance in the face of the world's relentless indifference to cruelty; for being all that a man could be in these times, and more.*

*Thank you, John.*

*Fraternally,*

*Leonard Cohen*