

December 31, 2007

Mr. Michael McDivitt,

*I have heard several of your advertisements on the radio providing New Years Eve parties the opportunity to catch a ride home on your dime, using the taxi service. I was very moved by your efforts. I work with juvenile offenders ages 10 to 18, many of whom drink and drive without giving it a second thought. We receive numerous children on charges of DUI, including vehicul. I work very closely with Ms. Pan VanOverbeke of MADD and have directly experienced the horrors that drunk driving can cause. Drunk driving is a TOTALLY avoidable situation. As you know, we cannot force people to do anything, unless we incarcerate them. By that time, the damage has been done.*

*I would just like to say "Thank You", not only as a professional in the correctional field, but as a citizen. You will never know of how many lives you might have saved through your generosity. It is so refreshing to see someone like yourself take the initiative in this extremely serious problem. I am humbled and feel compelled to do something myself. As many of us, I am a baby boomer who grew up in an era when law enforcement would most likely just take an offender home, certainly adding to the problem. I know that I certainly could have utilized your service on several occasions in my younger years, but fortunately, I never hurt anybody when I was in an altered stated.*

*"But only for the grace of God" certainly applies to me.*

*Again, I just want to thank very, very much for your generosity and making this problem aware to the drinking and driving public. I respect this effort very much. You are a leader and compassionate person. We need more like you.*

*Respectfully*



*Richard A. Pike.*