7707 Union Ave. Elkins Park, Pa. January 19th, 1937

Dear Bro. Steelberg:

After attending our business meeting Monday evening. And listening to some remarks, which were more or less directed toward my wife. I do not feel as though I am able to actively continue the work which has long been a pleasure.

I know deep in my heart that you and your wife, along with a number of the young people, have given us all the support and probably more than we should rightfully expect. But, knowing as I do the unappreciation which exists among our people, I think it best that I should regretfully take this step. I am extremely sorry that this move has become necessary. But Mrs. Benckert has through nine long years, suffered untold abuse. "Mostly behind her back" from some of Highways members. We thought this feeling had subsided permanently, but it now appears to have come to the surface again.

You and yours and the work which you have so courageously carried on, will continue to have our prayerful support. Wishing you God's greatest blessings I am

Yours in HIS Name

John R. Benchert