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Paul Snider,  
President of Urantia Brotherhood.

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Dear Paul:

Thanks for your good letter of October 25th.

The fact that you took time to hear both sides of the events leading to my expulsion recommends your fairmindedness. The 1st Society and General Council were not permitted to hear my defence to the charges against me. I am rather surprised that you approve such unfair trial procedure.

From the time of hearing the 1st Urantia Paper read to the Forum in 1926, I have realized the sacredness of the U. Revelation. I have felt that I was Providentially privileged to be one of the group entrusted to receive the Revelation and promote its distribution to all the people and all the nations of Urantia.

As I look back, since then, all my decisions and actions relating to the Urantia Movement have been, in my judgment, sincerely for the best interest of the U. Revelation.

In doing what seemed best for me to do, I have maintained my self approval. When I have disapproved of actions of the human administrators of the Urantia Organizations, I have told them so and suggested better ways of procedures.

I feel sure that the Angels of Progress have approved my efforts for the good of the Urantia Organizations and the future good of the Urantia Movement.

Why my suggestions have been suppressed and not allowed to be discussed in the General Council I can not understand. Can you?

We both admire you and your gracious wife and are pleased that you were elected President of the Brotherhood.

I respect people who differ with me and believe that generally people do what to them seems best. Since 1921 I have been a citizen of the Universes, secure from doubts and misgivings and confident that I am following my inner guidance in doing His will and what I am uniquely best qualified to do.

Ruth joins with love and best wishes and hope that we see you both soon.

Very truly for Progress.

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Robert Burton, the first excommunicated reformer  
of the 533 Urantia Institution.