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A Preliminary Committee for the Organization of
A League for Constructive Immigration Legislation

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Miss Ida M. Tarbell,
New York City.

My dear Miss Tarbell:

America is suffering from an indigestion of un-Americanized foreigners from many lands.

We have allowed masses of them to become voters without becoming properly qualified. They menace our democracy and they lower American standards of living.

Differential treatment of Asiatics, moreover, is causing serious international irritation.

The purpose of the League here proposed is to secure legislation that will remedy these and other less recognized difficulties due to immigration.

The main outlines of our policy and our program are given in the enclosed leaflet.

We need the moral support of your name and your endorsement of this fundamental patriotic purpose and movement. May we not have it? We wish to use it when we issue the call for a national conference to organize the proposed League and to define more in detail its principles and its program.

Under separate cover I am mailing you some pamphlets that may help to make more clear the principal aims and methods of the proposed League.

Respectfully and sincerely yours,

Sidney L. Gulick

Secretary pro tem

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