

Dear Family—

A Hanukkah note for our Zoom gathering tonight and to accompany our tradition of holiday gifts and donations. I hope you all know how important your phone calls, emails, texts, extended family texts, Instagrams, letters, Zoom celebrations have been for us. So tonight Gene and I celebrate your love, your kindness, your closeness shown in all the discussions we have had, the humor that entertained us, the articles shared, the movies, TV series, books recommended, the games and betting pools played, the photos and videos posted, the technical assistance that helped me survive in the age of Zoom, the goodies that helped us both survive without restaurants, and so much more. You have brightened a difficult year and helped us rise above isolation and Trump by making sure our closeness would continue—yes, thrive—during the past months. —We send you our love always, our virtual hugs this year, and the hope of real ones in 2021. Next year in Maui?

—Iris and Papa



Oh, yes—and a reminder to let me know where you