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Dear Mr. Crawford:

Recently it has become necessary for me to find some means of supporting my wife and I other than the New York labor market. I find it really impossible to hold a full time job and also spend the needed amount of time on my writing. A friend of mine, Frank Gagliano, informed me that occasionally you offer individual grants to playwrights. I have no idea what the necessary qualifications would be for such a grant so I would appreciate more information. I could send you any recommendations or reviews if needed. I am a member of 'Theatre '66' and have had two plays produced through their organization including a one act play in the "New Playwrights Series". A play of mine is now being done in Copenhagen and later in Paris. The Theatre Company of Boston under David Wheeler is planning a new playwrights series in April which will include one of my plays. I am also a member of "The Eugene O'Neil Foundation" under George C. White. I have a pending production coming up at "The Firehouse Theatre" in Minneapolis. This all gets a bit tedious and I'm not sure how to go about selling myself as a "good investment". Please contact me at my home address or through my agent. I would also be happy to stop by for a personal interview. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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