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My Dear Council President,

I forgot to suggest to you yesterday a thought that has come to me several times – that is that there should be a public meeting in the Y.W. C. A. Hall – very soon -- and the president of each society – & clerk in membership should make a brief statement of the aim & object & achievements of her organization – say 5 or 8 minutes in length – this would make each one acquainted with all of the others -- and so bring all into a kinship feeling – That is what we shall do in the National Council at Washington – each National Society will report its work done [page 2]

in the past three years -- I wish you were going to meet me at the station at 6:45 tomorrow A.M – so we could talk & plan ways & means to make our local council a tremendous power for good in our goodly Rochester – but I know you are studying how to do all this -- and my faith in you grows apace -- I shall hope to hear from you at the Arlington and shall hope, too, that many other women will finally decide to go on to the Council –

Very sincerely & gratefully Susan B. Anthony