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Dear Judy--

I am enclosing my new 2nd edition of INFORMATION FOR THE FEMALE-TO-MALE. I've also just sent a copy to Paul Walker.

Paul tells me that you're helping him contact surgeons for me, and I want to thank you. The closer help seems, the harder it is for me to continue as I am. This has been one lousy year for me. Remember in January I told you I wasn't feeling well? Turns out I had mononucleosis. Then in April my sister (3 years older than me) was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis and in July she moved into my livingroom and is still with me. Last year she was a warehouse foreman in a New Jersey PepsiCo Bottling Plant. Now she's incontinent, has to be catheterized every 4 hours, and can't even sit up in bed by herself. To top it all off, last week all four of my finches died-- I'd had them almost 7 years.

1986 has got to be better. Thanks for your help toward that goal! Hope you like my book.

Regards,