



GARY PLAYER

Dear Casey,

Welcome to the club.

Congratulations on becoming a South African Open champion.

It was such a pleasure watching you win our national Open, which will always be one of the greatest moments in your career.

There is something indescribable about winning your home Open in front of your fans.

I thought you summed it up so well when you made that putt on the 18th on Saturday to the roar of the crowd, and called it your greatest putt in front of your home crowd.

That is what makes the South African Open so special. You will go on to have many more important putts than this in your career as you now play in the Majors. But what you felt that week in Stellenbosch will always be a part of you. That love from your home fans.

It's for this reason that I always came back to play in the South African Open, and why I consider my 13 victories one of the greatest achievements of my career.

Now you are also a part of the greatest story in South African golf.

But your story is only beginning.

You now head to Augusta National for your debut in The Masters. Your journey in the Majors begins in earnest.

I look forward to seeing you at Augusta National this year.

And I look forward to shaking the hand of my fellow South African Open champion.

Best Wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, written in a cursive style. The name 'Gary Player' is clearly legible, with the first letters of 'G' and 'P' being larger and more prominent. The signature is positioned at the bottom left of the page.