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Dear Jamie,

I hope this letter finds you well! I've been thinking about you a lot lately, especially as I explore all these new places without my favorite travel buddy by my side. It's not the same without our inside jokes and random snack runs!

Last week, I finally made it to San Francisco – and wow, what a city! Walking across the Golden Gate Bridge with the chilly wind in my hair felt like something out of a movie. I even snapped a photo pretending to drop my hat into the bay (don't worry, I caught it this time). The painted Victorian houses, the hilly streets, and the endless buzz of cable cars totally lived up to the hype.

My favorite day was when I got lost in Chinatown, sampling dumplings and buying the quirkiest souvenirs. I met a local artist who told me stories about the neighborhood's history over jasmine tea. Honestly, it made me think about how much fun we'd have getting lost together and discovering hidden gems.

There were moments I wished you were with me – like when I stumbled upon that bookshop with the spiral staircase and the little reading nooks everywhere. I could picture us spending hours there, leaving with way too many books and coffee stains on our sleeves.

I can't wait to hear what you've been up to in Chicago! Any new cafés I need to try the next time I visit? How's your painting going? Let's catch up soon – we need a good old-fashioned marathon call or even better, start planning our next adventure together.

Miss you tons. Write back soon with all your news!

Lots of love,  
Alex