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Dear Ms. Paolella:

Thanks for sending me the page proofs of Harvey Teres's book Renewing the Left, which I have read with great interest. I hope the following comment will be of use to you:

"This is a tough-minded, wide-ranging, finely nuanced book, grounded in personal experience, that explodes many received ideas about the New York intellectuals. Where others see them as ex-radicals in transit to neoconservatism, Teres painstakingly explores their neglected legacy to the Ameri­can left and their surprising relevance to the concerns of contemporary criticism, including issues of power, ideology, race, gender, individual agency, and aesthetic autonomy."

--Morris Dickstein, author of Double Agent: The Critic and Society and Gates of Eden

Do send me a copy of the final book when it appears.

Sincerely yours,

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