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Dear Ms. Rosa, Scholarship Committee, and the NWHCC,

I am honored to be the recipient of the Education Scholarship Award. Thanks to your generous support, I am now part of the first generation in my family to—complete middle school, graduate from high school, valedictorian and—earn a college degree.

Attending a school with useful but limited resources and opportunities and reflecting on my family's experiences, has made me realize the value of a college education. Therefore, I am enthusiastic to commence my second freshman semester at Indiana University Bloomington, where I will major in Business Administration with a Field Specialization in Global Studies and minor in German. I must say, I feel very fortunate to have the opportunity to attend a university that has one of the top business schools in the country, the Kelley School of Business.

Recently, I have been in contact with the folks from the Office of the Brusar, and I can say I now truly comprehend and appreciate 100% what this scholarship has done for me, just by allowing me to relax because I will have funds to cover the cost for my priceless, yet increasingly costly, education. Speaking of which, my first semester is officially over, and my first semester grades are out. I achieved a 3.7/4.0 GPA, which places me on the Dean's List. My academic results were the basis for my nomination, by the Hudson & Holland Scholarship Program (HHSP), to Indiana University's Scholarship Advisory Committee; I will be recruiting top high school seniors to attend to I.U. Also based on my outcome in Accounting 100, HHSP offered me an accounting tutoring position for this coming semester.

Your generosity has truly made a difference for me and other scholars who have benefited from your program. Without support from community-focused organizations like yours, I might have never had these opportunities. Therefore, after I graduate from Indiana University, I plan to continue my involvement with community and academic organizations I joined in high school, organizations I will join throughout my college years, and organizations like yours.

Once again, I want to thank you for allowing me to work less and study more, and I want to reassure you that you made a great investment. I will put your money to good use! Also, I wish you a Happy New Year!

Con sincero agradecimiento,

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