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Dear Faithful Donor:

On behalf of the Futures in Education Staff and Board of Trustees, we would like to share with you information about our organization and our programs that may be helpful to you in consideration of the recent news regarding child sexual abuse cases and the Catholic Church, including our own Diocese in Brooklyn and Queens.

As an organization whose mission centers on creating educational opportunities for children to improve their chances of success in life, it is troubling to learn of the pain and suffering so many have endured due to these horrible deeds. We pray for peace and healing for all those whose lives have been forever changed by this crisis, especially the victims.

Despite these difficult times that face us, we cannot be deterred from fulfilling our mission to provide the life-changing gift of a Catholic education to students attending our Brooklyn and Queens Catholic schools and academies. You are such an integral part of this mission. We could not provide opportunities for the children we assist without your generous contributions and support. Your gift, no matter the size, impacts so many – the students, their parents, our teachers, principals and all those who believe in Catholic education – they continue to rely on your help.

Please be assured that your donations are only used for the direct purpose of providing Catholic education through the awarding of scholarships. Families who apply for scholarship assistance must submit their tax returns and relevant personal financial information, which are then assessed by a third-party vendor to determine the level of need. That information is used by

the Futures in Education staff to make decisions on scholarship awards. Futures in Education checks the grades and attendance records of all the students in our programs twice during the academic year before releasing funding. Your donation towards these scholarship programs are directed to the school and applied to the tuition account of the scholarship recipient.

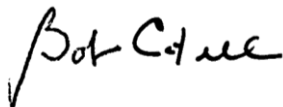
Your gift is immediately impactful, reducing the family's tuition obligation. When you donate to one of our scholarship programs, the funding is restricted for that purpose and cannot be used for other purposes. In fact, 100% of gifts made to the *Be an Angel to a Student* program are given directly to the school of the scholarship recipient.

Futures in Education has established policies and procedures to ensure we are maximizing the impact of each gift received. As an independent 501(c)(3) organization, Futures in Education files a form 990 with the IRS on an annual basis. This is always available for public review. An outside firm conducts a yearly audit of all organization procedures, transactions and financial reporting. Eighty-eight cents of every dollar spent goes to the programs of Futures in Education. This is well above the recommended minimum of 65 cents from the Better Business Bureau Wise Giving Alliance Standards for Charity Accountability. We review our financial results and documented policies often in an effort to continually improve.

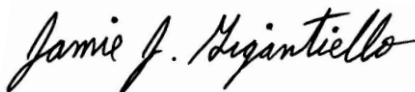
On behalf of the thousands of children who have benefitted from your generosity to our programs, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your past support of Futures in Education and ask that you stay committed to the cause that has truly changed the lives of so many children and their families.

Please reach out to our office with any questions you may have. Thank you again for your generosity and commitment.

In Christ's Peace,



Robert B. Catell
Chairman, Board of Trustees



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