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Ms. Stephanie Ballmer  
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Dear Ms. Ballmer:

My purpose in writing this letter is to share the opportunity my son and I had last week to meet and serve with five truly outstanding students from Harpeth Hall. My son and I were in Haiti and were blessed to meet and serve with Anna Kate Rader, Blair McFadden, Lark Morrison, Lydia Witty, and Meredith Martineau at the myLIFEspeaks campus in Nepley, Haiti during the last week of their senior-year Winterim trip.

As leaders of Harpeth Hall, you can be extraordinarily proud of these five students as they were magnificent in every way and, without exception, exemplified your mission to develop young ladies to think critically, lead confidently, and live honorably. This mission trip requires participants to love kids and adults in the village of Nepley who are extremely poor, sick, hungry, hurt, and dirty. It also requires one to be humble and complete physically difficult tasks to help villagers and the campus staff and to be strong in an unfamiliar and, at times, intimidating environment and all in a place that is void of many of the basic conveniences we are accustomed to. I saw these five women show incredible compassion for others, courage, tenacity, work-ethic, energy, honor, and respect and love for every single person they came in contact with.

We missed them terribly when they left but my son and I are better for knowing them. They made such an impact on all of us and, more importantly, the people of Nepley, Haiti. To you and the leadership team at Harpeth Hall and the parents of these students, congratulations, they represented Harpeth Hall incredibly well and served the world with amazing grace and compassion.

Sincerely,

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