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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

March 5, 2013

Dr. Catherine Collens
Buffalo, New York

Dear Dr. Collens:

Thank you for your thoughtful words. The messages I receive from Americans like you remind me of what is best about our country. I am more determined and inspired than ever about the work before us and the future that lies ahead for our Nation.

The American people are looking for cooperation, consensus, and common sense in our Government, and they have shown they want action. I intend to deliver that in the months and years ahead. From putting Americans back to work to expanding access to medical care, my Administration will continue to do what is right to move our Nation forward. We have enacted the most comprehensive financial reforms in decades, rescued and helped retool our auto industry, expanded student aid to millions of young people, helped level the playing field for working women, and made the largest investment in clean energy in our history. Because of the courageous acts of our service members, we have been able to end the war in Iraq and take down Osama bin Laden. We have also made historic commitments to provide for our troops as they return home.

Securing our country's future will take time, but I will not stop working to rebuild the kind of America where everyone gets a fair shot, everyone does their fair share, and everyone plays by the same rules. I remain committed to working with leaders of both parties to meet the challenges we can only solve together.

Despite all our differences, we are one American family, and our country is at its best when we accept our obligations to one another and to future generations. While we have faced great hardship, we know that for the United States of America, the best is yet to come.

Thank you, again, for taking the time to write. I encourage you to explore www.WhiteHouse.gov to learn more about how we are moving America forward. To find ways to get involved with my Administration, please visit www.WhiteHouse.gov/Engage.

Sincerely,