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Dear Mr. Massoud,

Enclosed is a thank you letter we recently received from the student receiving the Dayton Arab American Forum Scholarship. We can't always predict when these letters will be sent to us but we are always happy to receive them. Thank you for your support of the University of Dayton.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Valerie Mohr". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Valerie Mersheimer-Mohr

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Dear members of the Dayton Arab American Forum:

I am absolutely delighted to be a recipient of your scholarship. Being born in Palestine and being part of a big family I learned to accept and appreciate the little and huge opportunities that cross my path. Coming to America, going to college and receiving scholarships to help me go to college and live a better life are the huge opportunities that I appreciate the most.

Being the second oldest between my eight siblings, I serve as their model to continue on the path of success. Not only did I learn to appreciate the opportunities that cross my path, I also learned to look for opportunities that make me a better person. Throughout high school, I was part of Youth Uplift, where I organized events that enhanced education, leadership, community service and cultural development of urban youth which I continued to be a part of at UD, renamed Students in A New Direction (SAND). Throughout my years at UD pursuing a chemical engineering degree, I have worked at the Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio for two consecutive summers exploring technologies at the material's and human effectiveness directorates. I continued my career experiences with working on separating the carbon nanotubes based on chiralities and assessing the toxicology of nanomaterials through the Minority Leaders Program (MLP) and University of Dayton Research Institute (UDRI).

My goals from being in college are to achieve the highest degree with recognition and to be remembered by the alumni of the University of Dayton through helping others. I am currently working towards obtaining my Bachelors degree in Chemical Engineering and will continue to pursue my Masters degree in materials engineering. With a Chemical Engineering degree and a Masters in materials engineering, I strive to learn about the long term medical side effects of nanotechnology and how such a powerful technology can be used in drug delivery.

Sincerely:

Hadil Issa