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Dear Civic League Scholarship Committee,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am currently writing this letter in order to give you all the thank you that you deserve. This is a message that is long overdue, but I wanted to make it clear how much your generosity means to me.

It's been four years since I was first awarded the Civic League Scholarship. This award came at a time in which my family struggled financially and I was uncertain at the prospect of college. My mother was laid off from her job and higher education felt like a goal too impractical to be a reality. Thanks to you all, I was able to attend Texas A&M University despite my lack of resources. Instead of helping me simply get to College Station you stayed with me in all four years of my studies. As I grew and embarked on my college journey you continued to support me and affirm my abilities each year I reapplied. I have now graduated from Texas A&M and can't help but be grateful to the people who have brought me to where I am today.

I am currently applying to medical school in the hope of becoming a physician. I believe medicine is my way of loving people and bringing light into a world that is sometimes too dark and cynical. This is a stage in life that I never thought possible in high school and I have you all to thank for helping me get there.

I fervently hope this letter serves to remind you that your acts of kindness are appreciated and do make a difference in the lives of those you help. I hope this gives you all encouragement to continue your philanthropic work in the same way that you encouraged me all of these years. I will carry your generosity with me for a long time to come. Thank you

Respectfully,

I.A.