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Dear Thunderbirds Branch,

Thank you for your generous donation of Letters, and your dedication to our mission. With the help of grateful Americans like you, we have delivered more than 3 million of our signature Care Packages to Deployed Troops, Veterans, Wounded Heroes and their Caregivers, Military Families, Recruits Graduates and First Responders since 2003.

A Care Package brings joy to a Service Member stationed far from home and enables a Veteran, Wounded Hero or Caregiver to feel appreciated – many for the first time. Our Battalion Buddies bring comfort to the children of Deployed Troops at a very stressful time in their young lives. When we hand deliver Care Pouches to new Officers and Recruit Graduates, they know that as they begin their career of service to our great nation, they are supported along the way. And the delivery of First Responder Care Packages shows local heroes that their community values them.

We recently received this email from a Care Package recipient deployed overseas:

Thank you!

I wanted to personally reach out and say how much we appreciate the support you have shown from Operation Gratitude.

I am currently on deployment and received one of the care packages; it has truly brought some extra joy into my life being so far from home. Please keep up the good work as I know there are many more of my brothers and sisters in the service that will be just as grateful as me.

Again, thank you very much!

Very Respectfully, AZ3 F, S.M. VAQ-132 "Scorpions"

Thank you again for your thoughtfulness and wonderful patriotic spirit. Every single donation we receive furthers our mission, and the recipients of your generosity will remember your kindness forever. As a Veteran and the CEO of this amazing organization, I will always be appreciative of your support and encouragement for Operation Gratitude. You are truly making a difference!

With Gratitude,

James C. Johnson Maj Gen, USAF (Ret.) Chief Executive Officer

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