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Ms. Eve Nussbaum Soumerai c/o Representative David McCluskey 30 Beechwood Road West Hartford, Connecticut 06107

Dear Ms. Soumerai:

I am pleased to extend my warm greetings to you and all gathered in your honor this afternoon. It is appropriate that your family, friends and admirers come together to recognize your lifetime of achievements.

The Tribute to Harriet Tubman which you presented this afternoon is representative of your lifelong efforts to bring together people of all ages, backgrounds and experiences. You have dedicated yourself to educating young people about the monumental events in our history and the role that they have played in our society. Eve, you have used your personal experiences, love of education and outstanding abilities to increase awareness about history and the leaders that blazed the trails of freedom and equality which we enjoy today. In addition to acting as a mentor for young people, you have authored articles and resource guides that capture the struggles for human rights and equality of all segments of our society. Your work has had a tremendous impact on all members of the population and I thank you for all you have done to ensure that significant events in our history are used to positively influence the present and our future.

I wish you all the best for an enjoyable afternoon and continued success in all of your future endeavors.

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CHRISTOPHER J. DODD United States Senator