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Dear Sanjay:

On behalf of the faculty and staff at the University of Virginia (UVA) and the members of the Virginia Association of School Superintendents (VASS), I wish to express my deepest gratitude for the assistance you and your staff members have given me in planning and implementing the UVA-VASS India As A Global Partner Program. From your unsolicited call over a year ago to our experience in India, you have provided the members of the Virginia Education Leaders Delegation with the best counsel and the greatest support that any group traveling abroad could hope for. In addition, your personal involvement as a presenter during our pre-travel seminar was above and beyond any expectation that our group members had. Your presentation was outstanding in the quality of the information you provided on the economic and cultural ties between India and Virginia.

Your staff has also been a major asset in guaranteeing the success of our program. Geetanjali Bhushan has done an outstanding job coordinating our visits to universities, secondary schools, and businesses in India. She has been both very professional and a great pleasure to work with. Likewise, Surabhi Garg has been tremendous in raising sponsorship contributions for our program. She is an extremely effective fundraiser and a wonderful person to work with as well.

Without the support of you and your staff, we would continue to struggle to implement our program. The help that you have given us has opened doors we didn't know how to open and it has brought forth unyielding support that we could not have imagined. I am so grateful to you for taking the initiative to help us. You and the U.S. India Business Alliance truly embody the spirit of cooperation that will make the future relationship between the United States and India both lasting and strong. Thank you.

Sincerely,

J. Andrew Stamp
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