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Hon. Kenneth Danker, PDSC
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Dear Sir:

I am the mother of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. I would first like to say thank you. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] has been attending Camp Vacamas since the year 2009. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] would come home after their camp experience and would be exhausted and glad that they were there. I was always glad to hear all about their summer away from home. At first they were sad to be gone from home because they were never gone before from home for so long. They cried and wrote me letters when they first arrived, but after one week they were settled because they were together. They knew that they had each other and the other campers made it fun. With all the fun they quickly forgot that they were sad. I also wrote to them several times. It was sad for me as well. I just have never been away from them for so long. Then after not receiving any more letters I realized that they were doing well.

[REDACTED] attended from 2009-2014. [REDACTED] then decided to no longer attend. She just thought she would do something different. [REDACTED] expressed how she enjoyed the songs and the friend fellowship. She loved the thought of picking a bunk partner for the summer and it was always with her friend [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] loved the activity and the outdoors. She still loves the outdoors. When [REDACTED] speak of Camp Vacamas, she laughs and jokes about what she did with her fellow campers.


[REDACTED] attended as a camper from 2009-2014 then in the year 2015 she became a camp counselor. [REDACTED] just truly enjoys being a camper and now she is working as a counselor at Camp Vacamas and she loves her job. She also reminisce with [REDACTED] (her sister) about all the fun times that they had. Now [REDACTED] speaks of how she took care of the campers over the past summer. [REDACTED] is now a college student and she is looking forward to her second year as a counselor and she can't wait. She is already in touch with the camp and discussing her contract for this summer.

As a single mom with very little options I was very humble to have you sponsor my children to attend Camp Vacamas. I would not know what to do with them because I was unable to financially afford to have had them attend a reputable camp with all the amenities that Camp Vacams provided. You made that possible for me and my children.

Please continue to service the families as you do because it truly helps and makes a difference. It made a difference in my life for me and for my girls. They learned things that they will remember for life.

The Knights of Phytias saved my children's summer every year. Thank you!!!!

Sincerely,



A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right. Below the signature is a solid black rectangular redaction box.