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Dear [REDACTED]:

On behalf of the Board, staff and students of the Alliance for College-Ready Public Schools (the Alliance), thank you for the [REDACTED] Foundation's generous \$1,000,000 grant in support of the purchase and renovation of our newly named Frank E. Baxter Education Center in the Pico-Union area of Los Angeles.

This newly renovated facility will serve as the permanent home to our first two charter schools, Gertz-Ressler High School and Richard Merkin Middle Academy, and our corporate offices. Most importantly, it will enable us to provide thousands of current and future students with a high-quality education designed to prepare them for success in college and in life.

Already, Gertz-Ressler High School has achieved record results and ranks among the top ten high schools in LAUSD. Our other schools are on track to reach similar levels of achievement, with Alliance students already scoring significantly higher than students in neighboring schools on the state's Academic Performance Index and Content Standards Tests. This success would not be possible without the generous investment of supporters like the [REDACTED] Foundation.

We are honored to recognize your donation by naming the newly completed gymnasium, which is shared by both the high school and middle school students, the "[REDACTED] Gymnasium." I look forward to working with you to ensure that we meet your guidelines for displaying this name and for letting our community know about your generous grant.

In the meantime, please share our gratitude with your staff and Board of Directors. It is a pleasure to work with you on behalf of the children and families of Los Angeles, and we hope to have the opportunity to continue this important partnership in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Judy Burton  
President and CEO

cc: Richard Riordan, Board Chairman