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Honorable Victor Atiyeh
Governor of Oregon
State Capitol
Salem, Oregon 97310

Dear Governor Atiyeh:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my congratulations to you for a job well done during the past eight years as Oregon's Governor and spokesman for excellence in Education.

On January 12, you will pass your office to your successor, but your accomplishments for Oregon's educational system will stand strong. Your economic development efforts to secure educational funds from sources other than local property taxes, and your "school stabilization plan," which will be proposed as a constitutional amendment in January, are examples of your creative leadership for education reform and improvement.

As you begin to seek new challenges, I wish you much success and I thank you for your contributions to American education.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of William J. Bennett
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