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Dear Mr. Stein,

I wanted to take a moment to send you a note of thanks because I am deeply appreciative of your all your kindness and your company's willingness to support me, the Watertown LDS Scout Troop 204, as well as to support a great cause, in support of my Eagle Scout project with the installation of the new directory sign for the New Grove cemetery located near Hendricks, MN.

I can't express enough how great it was to see this project come together and to also see so many hands willing to help achieve this goal. My volunteers arrived about 15 minutes before the arrival of the sign and I have to say that it was like Christmas as Jeremy approached the cemetery with the sign in tow. It was amazing to see the sign "come to life" from doing the work of recording the information from each headstone (often having to do rubbings because the inscription was no longer legible) to organizing the information onto a computer file and then transferring that information to Chris Wilson and ultimately to Melinda Lewis and then to see it on the trailer...it was a beautiful thing!

I also cannot say enough about each one of your employees. My mom conveyed to me how kind and gracious you, Chris and Melinda were in terms of receiving information and developing it as our ideas were generated. As you well know, it has been hours of work and has taken much good communication, especially with me in school and at football and so, in working with you and your team, it is great to see it come to a realization.

I am hopeful that this beautiful sign will help visitors to the cemetery to remember or honor those who are buried there. Time and the elements are quickly wearing away the information from each headstone. Also, it is a nice reminder for visitors to the cemetery to now be able to learn of the people who care for and have cared for this cemetery, hoping that this will give people who might want to harm the cemetery a moment to reflect that there are those of us out there who care about this cemetery, respect it, and those who are buried there.

I especially want to thank you and your company for sharing your expertise, donating so much of the project to my cause, and lending me such great employees to work with...making the process go so smoothly and in terms of this past Saturday, with installation, under Jeremy's expert guidance and experience, professionalism, and just general kindness, helping make the work go quickly and helping me learn on the job without feeling like a kid. It seems like quite a long time ago (I think I must have been 11) when I first met Jeremy and helped or observed with the first Eagle Scout project. It is always

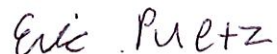
good to see that sign, still looking great, and remember that day too. Much has happened over these past 6 years and it was great to see Jeremy again, and good to work under his kind instruction...asking me my opinion and smoothly, professionally guiding me along the right path.

I hope you know how pleased I am with all you have done for me. First, that you and your employees have treated me so well throughout this process. You have a very good workforce in the employees that have worked together on this project. And second, you make a quality product that is a blessing to see.

Stuart, I again want to state that it was great of you to dedicate your company, product and employees to this task of helping me complete my Eagle Scout project this past Saturday. I'm blessed that such nice people have been dedicated to seeing this project come to pass and that people like Jeremy were able to be there onsite and took the time to support me in those efforts.

This past Saturday is a day I will always remember and you, Jeremy, Chris and Melinda and all others involved at ESCO Manufacturing/Stein Sign are a primary reason for that success.

With deepest gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eric Puetz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a period after the first name.

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