Dear:

Congratulations on being a National Merit Scholarship winner. This is a real honor.

The young people of today have a great future before them and it gives me a special feeling of pride whenever I learn of those using their abilities as you are, for through competitive examination, good school record and extracurricular achievements you have earned the endorsement of your school and a college scholarship.

Along with the opportunity to continue your education, you are accepting a responsibility to carry on with your best talents and efforts toward being prepared for a useful and interesting future in whatever career you choose.

With best wishes,

Everett McKinley Dirksen