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Dear Ms. Cassirer:

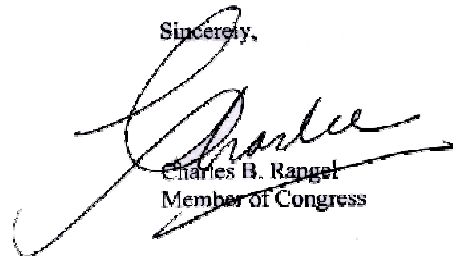
Thank you for your invitation to be the Guest of Honor at the Fourth Annual Dinner of the American Friends of the Jerusalem College of Technology on Tuesday, November 16th.

This is a very important event, one that will honor individuals that have been supportive of Israel and the efforts of the Jerusalem College of Technology. While I would like to join you, I regret that I will not be able to attend since my presence is required in Washington, D.C for a lame-duck session of Congress. Needless to say your efforts to initiate and organize this affair are admirable and greatly appreciated.

I commend you and the Jerusalem College of Technology for your steadfast commitment and dedication to servicing the needs of Israelis and Ethiopians who are interested in integrating into Israeli society and entering high-tech or business fields. Your service has been extraordinary and I believe that we are all beneficiaries of your excellent work. Always know that you can count on my strong support.

Again, thank you this wonderful honor.

Sincerely,



Charles B. Rangel
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