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His Excellency Ban Ki-moon
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Dear Mr. Secretary-General:

We just wanted to take a moment to thank you, both personally and on behalf of the Elton John AIDS Foundation (EJAF), for so graciously permitting us to pay tribute to your extraordinary international achievements as Secretary-General of the United Nations at our 15th annual fall gala on November 2. We are also very grateful for all of your efforts on behalf of the human rights of LGBT people and people living with HIV/AIDS around the world. Thank you so much for attending our event and sharing such kind and gracious remarks with our guests.

You'll be pleased to hear that the gala raised more than \$3.2 million for EJAF's grant-making initiatives supporting HIV prevention, stigma reduction, and care and support services across the U.S., the Americas, and the Caribbean.

Since 1992, the Foundation has raised over \$350 million for innovative, life-saving HIV prevention programs, thanks to caring and generous friends who share our vision of a world without AIDS. EJAF's role as a national and international nonprofit leader in the field of HIV prevention is more important now than ever before. Your presence at our event and the funds we were able to raise will help EJAF remain a strong and stable HIV prevention going forward, and we cannot thank you enough for helping to draw public attention to our urgent work.

It was such an honor to meet you and to have the opportunity to acknowledge you publically for your exceptional work.

Warmest regards,

Sir Elton John
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