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Robert S. Edwards 12 North Lynncrest Drive Ridgeside, Tennessee 37411-1819

Dear Mr. Edwards,

I was very pleased to learn of your recent visit to Wuxi, China. Your participation, along with city leaders, signifies your dedication to preparing Chattanooga students for the global responsibilities of an increasingly interdependent world. It is always gratifying to hear that a Tennessee community is working to build an economic, cultural, and educational environment that welcomes the people of another culture. Your commitment to communication between the two cultures is commendable

Congratulations for receiving certification to teach Chinese and for your support of the exchange program. These achievements honor Tennessee and especially the city of Chattanooga.

Sincerely yours,

Lana C. Seivers

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