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To Whom It May Concern:

Last month, Michael Hughes travelled to El Salvador to meet Marcos, a young sixteen year old Guatemalan child who was blinded by bilateral tumors when he was one year old. He examined Marcos free of charge. After careful measurements, Mr. Hughes provided a set of restorative Eyes for Marcos and sent them to me two weeks ago. Again, free of charge.

As the Director of Medical Outreach and International Medicine for Liberty University College of Osteopathic Medicine (LUCOM), I was honored to travel to Guatemala and present Marcos his new eyes.

LUCOM works directly with the underserved and impoverished communities in Guatemala providing medical care and improve their quality of life. We travel to Guatemala three times each year bring Medical school Student Doctors, Nurses, Physician Assistants, Masters of Public Health students, Nutritionists, Occupational Therapists, and Special Educators. Our goal is to provide an intra-professional and inter-professional opportunity for collaborative and qualitative care.

Michael's skill and humble heart has been most impressive and allowed success in dramatically improving Marcos' quality of life. I have been impressed by Michael's service and charity he has provided in the United States, in El Salvador, and here in Guatemala.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at rjcook@liberty.edu or at (434)592-6906.

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