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Dear Paul,

In recognition of National Volunteer Week and the outstanding work of your volunteers, I want to take this opportunity to extend my sincere gratitude to United Way of Santa Barbara County Volunteer Center for your dedication and hard work to ensure that your community can experience meaningful volunteer opportunities. As a result of your amazing efforts, individuals, families, businesses and groups can now make a lasting positive impact in Santa Barbara.

As Marian Wright Edelman once said, "Service is the rent we pay for being. It is the very purpose of life and not something you do in your spare time." With every new volunteer who joins us, WE become a stronger and more unified California.

Together with the first-in-the-nation Secretary of Service and Volunteering, Karen Baker, WE look forward to our continued partnership as we encourage all 38 million Californians to improve their communities through service.

Warmest regards,


Maria Shriver

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