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Mr. Patrick Henderson Executive Director Whitney Benefits 145 N. Connor Street Suite #1 Sheridan, WY 82801

Dear Patrick,

I just wanted to write a short synopsis detailing what having Whitney Benefits in the Sheridan area has meant to me.

I was a young Sheridan High School graduate looking at colleges and even back then astounded as to the cost of attending college; in-state as well as out of state tuition seemed out of reach. This was at a time well before the Hathaway Scholarship helped bring the cost of in-state tuition down to a manageable number for residents.

I was somewhat aware of what Whitney Benefits offered to graduating seniors in the County, as least as aware as any 18 year old kid can be! At that time Mr. Robinson was the Executive Director of Whitney and he could not have been more helpful in explaining to me my options regarding not only school, but how Whitney could help in dealing with costs associated with attending the University of my choice, and the best part of that benefit was the fact that the money they were going to lend me was interest free. Given that in 1981 interest rates were over 20%, I don't need to tell you what a difference that meant to me and my education.

We here in Sheridan County are blessed to have a charitable foundation such as Whitney in the area and I cannot imagine what it would have been like to attend any college without the help and benefit of an organization such as Whitney; not just for me, but for the thousands of students who have graduated and gone on to attend the college of their choice, in large part thanks to Whitney.

Sincerely,

Mark Isakson

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