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Dear Mr. Buyuksrac:

Congratulations on graduating from the FBI Citizens Academy program. I'm grateful for your willingness to sacrifice valuable time from your work and family life to learn more about the FBI.

As a Citizens Academy graduate, you are a "force multiplier." Many people believe they "know" the FBI from what they see in movies or on television, or what they read. But you've gotten to know the real FBI — and I like to say that to know us is to love us. Because you know us, you should be comfortable sharing your concerns with us — and I hope you'll do so, because we need to hear those concerns. Most important, because you know us, you can share what you've learned in the Citizens Academy with others, and serve as an FBI ambassador in your workplace and your community. How the FBI is perceived matters a great deal to our work. We can't accomplish our mission if people don't believe us and trust us; our credibility can make all the difference in whether someone comes forward with a tip that could prevent crime or a terrorist attack.

Beyond serving as an ambassador for the Bureau, I would ask you to do three more things as a Citizens Academy graduate. First, continue to be a role model in your community and a leader in your chosen field. Second, please recommend your peers to us for the Citizens Academy program, so even more people can benefit from this experience. And third, please join the FBI Citizens Academy Alumni Association, which promotes safer communities through community service projects with an emphasis on the FBI's mission.

Public support and understanding are essential to the FBI's success. Thank you for your support, and we look forward to working with you in the coming years to protect our communities and our country.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James B. Comey".

James B. Comey
Director