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Dear Ms. He Liliang:

Last Wednesday came the sad news of the passing of our friend and colleague Ambassador Huang Hua. His gentle spirit, kind nature and visionary outlook for both China and the United States were unique qualities that made him a special world-wide leader. Gone though he may be, he will be fondly remembered. His spirit will persevere. We here at the University of Missouri-Kansas City and at our School of Medicine have a special place in our hearts for Huang Hua and will sorely miss his sparkling personality and wise mentoring.

One of our greatest pleasures at the University of Missouri-Kansas City was awarding Ambassador Huang Hua an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree in 1985. He was the first to stay in our International Visitors apartment at the Diastole Scholars Center. No more appropriate pioneer could be imagined. Subsequently, we were further honored by having Huang Bin and Huang Zhang as students at the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

As a direct result of his efforts in organizing the China Society for People's Friendship Studies and its collaboration with Mary Clark Dimond, Dr. E. Grey Dimond, and the Edgar Snow Memorial Fund, I can confidently say that there is no other community with as strong a bond with our Chinese brethren.

On behalf of our entire faculty and all who knew him in Kansas City, we express our sincere sympathy for your family's loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sorrow. Rest assured however that both his spirit and memory will remain vibrant and well here in Kansas City.

With All Condolences,

Betty Drees, M.D.

Dean

Cc: Leo Morton, Chancellor, University of Missouri-Kansas City