

Dear Gramercy Park Block Association Members,

When Ms. Harrison invited me to lunch with Ms. Scupp, Ms. Kemper and my ballet director, Ms. Byer, I expected to have a nice get-together with a few of the many neighbors who helped me throughout my high school years with clothing, educational supplies and mentoring. I expected questions about college and the opportunity to thank these donors personally. Ms. Harrison then surprised me with a list of people from this amazing association who donated extraordinary sums to help with my first year of college. When I saw the check, I broke into tears. I can't believe how generous and kind this neighborhood has been to me, a complete stranger.

I have many plans for my time at Montclair State University. As a dance major, the school offers some of the best opportunities to work with wonderful choreographers across the country. I plan on dancing to my fullest potential. I also plan on minoring or double majoring in accounting. Dance is a passion that will stay with me forever, but in case anything were to ever happen I will have accounting to fall back on. Fortunately, I enjoy working with numbers.

I intend to work hard to make all who have supported me proud. With their generosity and support, I have even more incentive to prove what I can do. I promise that you all that you are not making a mistake. I will succeed!

If there is ever anything that I can do to show my gratitude to the Gramercy Park Block Association by assisting or volunteering in any way, please don't hesitate to ask. This community inspires me in so many ways, and New Jersey is not far. I will be forever appreciative for the help of so many Gramercy Park neighbors.

Sincerely,

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