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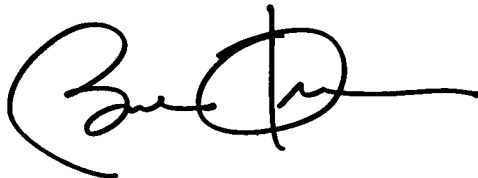
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Dear Students:

I am grateful for the opportunity to offer a few words of encouragement.

Sometimes, we face challenges that seem almost impossible to overcome. When you find yourself struggling, be reminded of the founding promise of our Nation—that we as Americans believe all things are possible for all people. If you dare to be bold and creative, to love and be loved, to work hard every day, and to serve your community, I am confident you will achieve your dreams.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be Barack Obama's signature, written in a cursive style.