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*Nicole A. Avant*  
*Ambassador of the United States of America*

October 5, 2011

Dear President Obama:

Two years ago, on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009, I had the fortunate opportunity of being sworn in as the 13<sup>th</sup> U.S. Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas. I am very grateful for your trust and confidence in me to service our country and to personally represent you.

As much as I have enjoyed serving you and our country, I feel it is time for me to return home to my husband and family in Los Angeles. I respectfully advise you of my intention to resign as Ambassador and leave Post on November 22, 2011, depending and subject to your pleasure.

It has been an honor to serve you, Sir, and I thank you again for blessing me with an experience that I will treasure and cherish always.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicole A. Avant". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nicole A. Avant

The President  
The White House,  
Washington, D.C. 20500.