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DAVID A. PATERSON
GOVERNOR

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Daniel Leader
Bread Alone Café and Bakery
Route 28
Boiceville, New York 12412

Dear Mr. Leader:

I want to commend your tremendous humanitarian efforts in responding to the HIV/AIDS epidemic in South Africa.

Through the work of your award-winning start-up business, The South African Whole Grain Bread Project, and your assistance to Gail Johnson and Nkosi's Village, you have provided a sterling example of how personal response can generate action, and how that action can change lives and revitalize communities, no matter how far away.

Remarkably, you have found a way to globalize the simple honesty at the heart of Bread Alone's resounding regional success – the great, nourishing wholesomeness of fresh-made bread – to address the immediate needs of South Africans across dietary, economic, and social networking lines. In the process, you have become an important role model for those you help as well as a beacon for bridging the gap between concerned New Yorkers and the less fortunate in other parts of the world.

Please accept my profound admiration for your exemplary work, and best wishes for all your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

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

DAVID A. PATERSON