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**Ms. Maria Cecilia Gregorio Ascalon**  
Public Relations Officer  
University of the Philippines Alumni Association (UPAA) – San Francisco  
c/o Deputy Consul General Jaime Ramon T. Ascalon  
Philippine Consulate General  
447 Sutter St. San Francisco, California, USA 94108

**SUBJECT: UPAASF Donation**

Dear Ms. Ascalon,

I hereby extend -- to all the officers and members of the University of the Philippines Alumni Association (UPAA)-San Francisco -- our *alma mater's* warm greetings and congratulations!

On behalf of the University of the Philippines, I would like to formally express the University's gratitude and appreciation for the **UPAA-San Francisco's** two tranches of cash donations intended for the University of the Philippines Visayas Tacloban College (UPVTC)'s faculty and staff members and students, who, among thousands of other Filipinos in the Visayas, became the unfortunate victims of Typhoon "*Haiyan*" (locally and popularly known as "Supertyphoon Yolanda"), which struck the country last 08 November 2013.

Gladly, we received your first cash remittance (US\$2,000.00) last 18 November 2013, and the next (US\$2,300.00), on 23 December 2013. Rest assured that your donations have contributed a lot in alleviating the plight of the affected UP constituents who at present, continue to suffer the typhoon's debilitating effects.

In particular, your cash donations went to the purchase of mosquito nets, tarpaulins, and flashlights, which benefited some 100 families of the UPVTC faculty and staff and students. These materials helped in providing emergency make-shift shelters - considered as appropriate relief items, especially during the time when the devastated Tacloban City was bereft of shelter facilities and completely without electric power.

It may please you to know that the UPVTC remains steadfast in its commitment to continue serving the educational and other institutional needs of its stakeholders, this despite the UPVTC's own unavoidable share of losses and damages to its buildings, equipment and other properties.

Enclosed are some photos for your reference.

We simply cannot thank you enough for your compassion and generosity, which you have manifested through your untiring efforts to provide much-needed help and comfort.

Yours sincerely,

**Alfredo E. Pascual**  
President

*Enclosed: As stated*

cc: *Dean Anita G. Cular, UPVTC*  
*Prof. Gerardo B. Agulto, UPFI*