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Dear Tom:

On behalf of the Society of Actuaries, I want to again congratulate the American Academy of Actuaries on its 50th anniversary. I was very pleased to be part of your celebration last week at the Academy's Annual Meeting.

Over the past half century, the Academy has served an important role in many areas of the profession. Its role in promoting professionalism is particularly noteworthy, and I know that the profession is stronger because of the Academy's work in supporting the Actuarial Board for Counseling and Discipline and the Actuarial Standards Board. Also very significant are the Academy's efforts to increase awareness and importance of the Code of Professional Conduct.

I congratulate you, too, on the work of the Academy as an important voice on public policy matters. Throughout the years, Academy input has helped shape a number of significant pieces of legislation, including the establishment of ERISA and the enactment of the Health Insurance and Portability Accountability Act, to name just a few.

Tom, I wish for you the very best in your year ahead as President of the Academy. I and the Society of Actuaries look forward to working with you as we continue our collaborative activities. Once again, warm congratulations to the Academy from the Society of Actuaries.

Sincerely

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