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Dear Dr. Wong:

On behalf of the UCI School of Humanities and faculty in the Department of East Asian Languages and Literatures, I wish to thank you for attending our reception in honor of the Korean Studies program which took place on November 15. It was a delight to meet so many members of the Korean community who have offered their friendship and support. We wish to thank you for your attention and interest in our activities.

We are deeply grateful to Consul General Tae-Hee Park and his associate Jong-Kun Han for their interest and for finding time in their busy schedules to join us. We appreciate Consul General Park's thoughtful and inspiring remarks in support of our goals.

It was my pleasure to have the opportunity to introduce to you our faculty who are leading the way in establishing the program in Korean Studies: Chair Carter and Professor Choi. As I explained, we wish to establish meaningful and enduring bridges with the Korean community. Our common goal this year is to appoint the finest possible scholar-teacher in the field of Korean Studies. Our longer term goal is to establish an international reputation for the excellence of Korean Studies and East Asian Studies on our campus.

Working together, our faculty have identified the areas in which support for the Korean Studies program will most expeditiously help achieve our objectives. A summary of these areas and the levels required for their establishment is included with this letter. In the near future, we would like to meet individually with members of the Korean community to determine which area is of the greatest interest to the community, and what amount of support might be obtainable by joining together to achieve these objectives. Johanna Christensen will be contacting you in the next few weeks to arrange for individual meetings.

Thank you again for your attention and graciousness in joining us. We look forward to the opportunity to meet again.

Sincerely,

Spencer C. Olin

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