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Yemi Getachew Foundation  
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Dear Members of the Board of Directors,

Thank you for your significant gift in support of our financial aid fund and your commitment to the Founders' Circle—we are so grateful to have you as part of the Haile-Manas Academy family. As you know I had the privilege of knowing Yemi, and am moved to know that our organization's work matches well with her humanitarian values, selflessness, and belief in the transformative power of education.

We look forward to keeping you up to date with news from campus and of students' achievements. Right now, we are:

- Celebrating our first college admissions. Seniors are applying to college for the first time, and many have already been admitted to selective institutions with generous financial aid packages, because of the fine education your gift has allowed them to receive.
- Preparing for HMA's first graduation. The seniors your gift is supporting will graduate this May, a very big milestone for them and the school. We are having a lot of fun making these plans!
- Recruiting for next fall. As word spreads about the unique program and community your gift is funding, interest in HMA is growing. We are excited to meet great prospective students this spring.
- Enjoying great publicity. In early January, ArtsTV in Ethiopia aired a 45 minute-long special on HMA titled, "*The School That Makes You Wish You Could be a Student Again*". The feature beautifully captures the essence of HMA and has already been viewed on YouTube over 50,000 times.

Ethiopia continues to face many economic and security challenges, and we are reminded every day that it is up to Ethiopia's young people to shape its future. As a member of the Founders Circle, YGF has a special place in the history of our school. Thank you for the partnership and support that ensures that our talented students can help lead the way forward.

With heartfelt thanks,

Rebecca Haile  
Executive Director

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