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Hannah Peters, Interim Senior Vice President

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Mr. Leith E. Baletin
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Dear Mr. Baletin,

As the spring semester marches on, our students move forward with an eagerness for knowledge that is the hallmark of the Brandeis mind. The generosity of your chapter, in creating scholarship opportunities backs our commitment to using such intellectual gifts to help heal the world.

This thoughtful philanthropy lessens financial burdens for our ambitious students, providing them with the resources they need to concentrate on their academics and use their talents to expand their limitless potential to be their best selves. Enclosed is a letter of appreciation from this year's BNC Phoenix Chapter Scholar, Diana Garcia '26, which demonstrates just how meaningful such scholarship support is.

We deeply value your continued partnership. I wish you good health and happiness, as well as a fulfilling year ahead.

Gratefully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hannah Peters".

Hannah Peters

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Enclosure

Dear Members of the BNC Phoenix Chapter,

I, Diana Garcia Saucedo, am the recipient of the BNC Phoenix Chapter Endowed Scholarship. As a first-generation low-income student, I am more than appreciative of the opportunity you have given me by supporting financial aid at Brandeis. This scholarship is what has allowed me to choose Brandeis, as well as what keeps me here. This scholarship has allowed me to be burden free throughout my first year, hence has allowed me to focus on my studies.

I am a child of immigrants from Southern Phoenix, Arizona. My goal was to leave Arizona as it is not the best state in terms of education. I was also cooking in Arizona because of the heat, so I wanted a change in weather; although this was an extreme change in weather, I am enjoying it so far (I probably won't in a week or so). I love that the campus and town are cozy, everything is close together (restaurants, stores, etc.). I am not just pursuing higher education to achieve a better future for myself, but I am also attempting to set an example for my sister and nieces. Thus, this is funding my future and the future of my family.

I am planning to major in biology and psychology for fun, as I plan to attend law school. I only recently gained an interest in biology as I was exploring my first prospective major, neuroscience. I find the biology electives here to be intriguing. I have always had an interest in psychology since high school. I find the human mind to be fascinating. I have an abundance of questions I hope to be answered by the time I graduate. At some point in the next three years, I hope to study abroad preferably in Eastern Asia as I have been exploring the region's cultures for the past few years.

I hope to acquire a summer internship at a law firm, or an internship involving the law in general. I have received help in looking and applying for internships through the Brandeis community. This is one of the many reasons why I am glad I chose Brandeis. Not only did I choose Brandeis for its physical beauty, but I also choose it for its internal beauty. I found that Brandeis would have a lot of opportunities to offer me. I also loved that Brandeis was founded on the idea of social justice, and continues to grow on that idea.

My biggest accomplishment was finding the diamond within myself. I discovered a part of me I never knew existed 3 years ago. I found my ambition and resilience by challenging myself to want more. I wanted to use pressure to form a version of myself I would be proud of. In the present day, I am proud of the version I've become, but I also know I can improve in many different aspects. I hope Brandeis will allow me to grow and nourish that growth.

I am eternally grateful for this opportunity. Feel free to contact me at any time.

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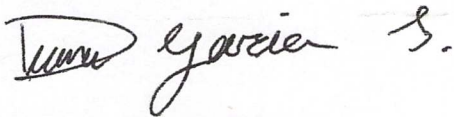
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diana Garcia Saucedo". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Diana Garcia Saucedo '26