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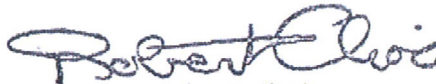
Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code. You are required to file Form 990-PF annually.

Please see enclosed Publication 4221-PF, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Private Foundations, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Sincerely,



Robert Choi
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Enclosure: Publication 4221-PF

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