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Dear Oceanside High School Alumni,

Congratulations on your 50th high school reunion. What a testament to the dedication of your classmates to organize and attend so many of these wonderful events!

As your generation came of age, the Civil Rights Movement ended forced segregation and began the long and arduous process of leveling the playing field so that all Americans could take part in the *American Dream*. Now the Cold War is history and the Iron Curtain has lifted. Though we have new concerns, our success in defeating oppression gives us hope that freedom, justice, and democracy will always prevail.

Science and technology have changed our lives in ways we couldn't even begin to imagine in 1960. Then, we had yet to take our first steps upon the moon. Today, we've seen pictures of Jupiter's moons, have mapped the human genome, and can communicate instantaneously with people all over the world.

Our world has changed from 1960, but I would like to think that the core values that helped the Class of 1960 have such a profound impact still exist at Oceanside High School. Our high school has a long tradition of excellence, charity, and service. Those traditions continue today. Our students are the best and the brightest. Like the Class of 1960, they seek to use their talents to better their world.

The traditions of charity and community service endure with clothing and food drives, fundraising events, and awareness campaigns for worthwhile causes. Just to give one example, our students recently raised nearly \$22,000 for the earthquake victims in Haiti all while helping struggling neighbors put a holiday meal on the table and much more.

The Class of 1960 is an inspiration to today's Oceanside High School students; proof that they really can make a positive and meaningful difference.

I wish you many more years of bonding and remembering your wonderful years at Oceanside High School.

Sincerely,



Dr. Herb R. Brown
Superintendent of Schools