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Dear Mr. Lamb:

I write to you today to inform you of the significant impact you have recently had on my life. Not too long ago you spoke to a New Century College class at George Mason University. I was the individual that met you at the statue and accompanied you to the classroom.

As we were walking to the classroom you asked me what I wanted to do with myself. I told you I did not know. Later, as I was reflecting on the day, it dawned on me that I told Brian Lamb that I did not know what I wanted to do with my life. I told a man that knew what he wanted to do, who knew it wasn't going to be easy, and did it.

For a while I knew I wanted to help Virginia's under-funded historical sites raise money. There has always been a dearth of funding from government, and private interest focuses on the high profile sites such as *Mount Vernon*. I wanted to focus on the more underdeveloped sites such as the *Poe House* and the *Patrick Henry House*. I knew it wouldn't be easy to accomplish this, as I wanted to start my own company rather than go to some trust. However, I did it anyway.

I am happy to say that everything is nearly complete. The name of my company is **Virginia Give** and we should be operational by mid January. This is all due in great part to that short conversation I had with you at George Mason University.

Thank you for your time and any time C-SPAN would like to do a profile on Virginia Give we will be more than happy to accommodate you.

Sincerely,

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