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NORTH AMERICA CENTRAL AREA

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Mr. John G. Cabeza
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Dear John,

As you well know, 2020 marks the end of a wonderful era of the longstanding formal partnership between The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and the Boy Scouts of America--a wonderful and mutually beneficial relationship spanning more than 100 years. Of course, the Denver Area Council has been a huge driver of that successful relationship right here in Colorado.

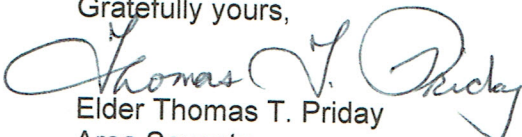
And so, as we approach the end of an exceptional era, on behalf of local Church members, Scouts and Scout leaders, I wish to express our profound gratitude to you and to the Council for your exemplary friendship and support. Scouting's programs and facilities, combined with an inspired mission focused on a Scout's duty to God and country, have strengthened generations of young men and leaders from widely diverse backgrounds and life circumstances--including those from within the Church. We are extremely thankful for your personal involvement in and support of the units chartered by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

While the increasingly global composition of the Church, and its need for a uniform youth leadership and development program throughout the world, have led to our taking a new and exciting direction, we do so only with the deepest sense of gratitude for BSA, the Denver Area Council and our shared history. For those Latter-day Saint families who choose to continue their participation in Scouting, we likewise wish them continuing success. We shall forever remain changed for the good by the ideals and values articulated in the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

We will continue to cherish relationships with friends of other faiths with whom we have associated through Scouting. We wish the Council and all of its charter organizations only the best of success in your continuing association.

May the Lord bless you, as well as the Denver Area Council, in your ongoing work to meaningfully bless the lives of leaders and youth in this area.

Gratefully yours,



Elder Thomas T. Priday
Area Seventy

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