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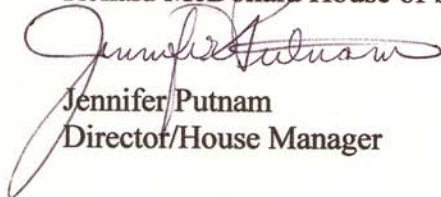
Dear Sam,

As we began a new year we reflect upon the year past and the accomplishments we have achieved. One of the brightest spots of 2008 for our House was making your acquaintance and embracing your wonderful fundraising idea!!! Most importantly, are the friendships that have developed between you and our young guests. These kids come from around the corner and around the globe, most times not knowing a single soul other than their parent. You have befriended many of our children and they relate so well to you and look forward to your visits and your fun activities!! Even after they go home they write, call or email and many times ask us about Sam. We thank you so very much for all the gifts that you have given our House. You're very successful fundraising venture, your time, energy and enthusiasm and mostly, your dedication to our House and families.

The kids here go through so much in the quest for wellness and good health. Every time you walk through our door you bring a bit of sunshine to their life. We greatly look forward to another successful year of serving those families who need us during one of the most difficult periods in their lives. On January 13, 2009, we will celebrate 18 years of service to 8,500 families!!! We are proud and grateful to have your support and help, but mostly, we are thankful for your kindness and friendship.

So Happy New Year Sam and thank you for choosing our House and charity, and for all the good you do here to help our special kids and their families!!

With sincere appreciation,
Ronald McDonald House of Springfield



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