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To the Members of the Paul Gray Family,

Warmest Greetings!

Paul Gray was one of my heroes! I first met Paul when I was thirteen years of age. He was the top salesman for Bank and Office Equipment, Inc. in Seattle and I was working a few hours each afternoon as a gofer. At that young age, Paul impressed me as a gentle giant! He was very good in business but always warm and kind to me as a young kid. I respected and admired him so much.

When I started my position as President of Northwest College in July of 1998, I was thrilled to be able to work with Paul as Treasurer of the Board of Directors for the college. Paul served faithfully on the Board of Directors for over forty years. Many people connected with the operations of the college feel that Paul's insistence on fiscal discipline is one of the major reasons Northwest College is financially solid today. The college owes a great debt of gratitude to our friend, Paul Gray. Paul was a hero of Northwest College!

On behalf of the Board of Directors, faculty, staff and students, we extend our prayers and condolences to the family. Paul was loved by all who knew him. His words of encouragement left people feeling better about themselves after having a conversation with him. Paul had a gift of encouragement!

Thank you, family, for sharing Paul with the college. I know that over forty plus years, there were hundreds of days that he devoted to the Lord's work at Northwest College. No doubt at times, he would have preferred to have been with you but he was available to serve the Lord at Northwest College and we are so grateful and thankful for his dedication and your encouragement for him to serve. Thousands of students over four plus decades have been influenced by the life and leadership of Paul.

My wife, Pat, and I would have been with you today for this service of celebration. However, I am speaking at a minister's seminar in Alaska. Please know that we will be with you in thought and spirit.

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Paul had a great entry on the other side. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the home going of one of His saints."

Paul, we thank you for a life so well lived!

Blessings.

Your friend,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Don Argue". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "A".

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