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Mr. Ernest P. Gates, Jr.
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Dear Mr. Gates,

I am pleased to extend my warmest congratulations to you upon receiving the William R. Blandford Community Service Award from Powhatan County Bar Association.

This honor recognizes your exemplary leadership and community involvement. You are committed to helping others and making new connections that bring us closer together as families, as neighbors and as communities. Your commitment to the broader good is especially commendable and necessary during these challenging times.

On this important occasion, I join with your family, friends, and community in saluting your accomplishments and wishing you the very best in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark R. Warner".

MARK R. WARNER
United States Senator