



JIM DOYLE
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Laura Mark
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Dear Ms. Mark:

Congratulations on winning the first annual Governor's Young Scientist Award at this year's Badger State Science and Engineering Fair and on placing 1st in the category of Environmental/Earth Science and winning the U.S. Department of Commerce NOAA specialty award! I commend you on your hard work and achievement.

In reading about your research project on Quagga Mussel filtration, it is obvious that you put a great deal of thought and effort into your project and your presentation. Your project unmistakably fits the Governor's Young Scientist Award in that you used our precious natural resources in Wisconsin to provide insight into protecting the lakes and people of our great state.

I encourage you to continue your pursuit of scientific knowledge and your work with researchers at the WATER Institute at the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee. I am certain that you will take advantage of the many opportunities available for you to continue your education and benefit those around you.

Thank you again for your contribution to science and knowledge in Wisconsin!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Jim Doyle'.

Jim Doyle
Governor