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Dear Northland Vietnam Veteran's Association,

I am immensely grateful to be a recipient of this year's Northland Vietnam Veteran's Scholarship. What a very special opportunity it was on Memorial Day to read aloud my essay to those who served in the Vietnam War. I was very touched that evening, as I witnessed a beautiful ceremony that both commemorated and honored our nation's heroes. I gained a deeper understanding of how military veterans positively impact our lives.

I am very thankful for receiving the scholarship award. It will be used this fall semester to help fund my education at UMD.

In the years ahead, I hope to continue making personal connections with military veterans, learning their stories, and sharing their insight with the world. I truly appreciate your service to our nation. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Joy Rasmussen