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Mr. Keith Wade, President  
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Dear Mr. Wade:

Thank you for writing to Governor Charlie Crist regarding funding for the Florida Resident Access Grant. The Governor appreciates receiving your comments and asked that I respond on his behalf.

Governor Crist believes that a well-educated workforce opens the door to endless opportunities for every Floridian and for the Sunshine State. By working together, the Governor's Office, the Legislature and the higher education community can make our universities stronger than ever.

I appreciate the time you took to share the story of the young woman who was admitted to your university, even though she did not fully meet your admission standards. Best wishes for her continued academic success and throughout her chosen career. Your efforts and the efforts of Webber International University will allow more of Florida's students to achieve their goals.

The Governor and the Legislature will continue work together to develop budget priorities with a focus of maximizing the use of existing programs and ensuring that Floridians are getting the best value for their dollar. Within this context, please be assured the Governor will carefully consider your comments and those of other concerned Floridians regarding the Florida Resident Access Grant program and the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 budget.

On behalf of the Governor and his staff, thank you for your continued leadership and service to Florida's students. Again, thank you for taking the time to share your views with Governor Crist. Your thoughts are appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KM", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kate McLroy  
Executive Office of the Governor