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Dear Ms. Sawyer:

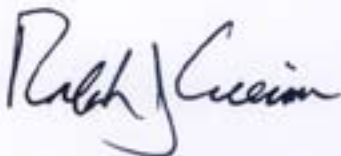
We are pleased to confirm formally that you were selected from among more than 250 nominations as one of two finalists for a Communication Award in the Book category for *The Rock From Mars: A Detective Story on Two Planets*. These awards are presented annually by the National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering, and Institute of Medicine with the support of the W.M. Keck Foundation through the Keck *Futures Initiative*.

We are announcing the finalists for each category, in addition to the winners, and we hope you take justifiable pride in this recognition of your work.

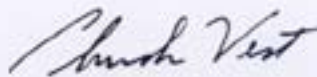
The National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering, and the Institute of Medicine recognize and appreciate your exceptional ability to communicate to the general public some of the most important issues facing the nation. Your work will serve as an inspiration and model for others.

Congratulations!

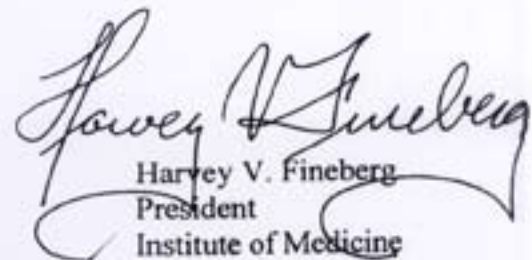
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