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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Giovanni Valentini

Dear Giovanni

I wanted to write to thank you personally for the part you played in making the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games such a huge success.

To see tens of thousands of people giving up their time to support London 2012 has been truly inspiring. As a Games Maker you have not just helped make London 2012 happen, but through the welcome and spirit you have shown, you have put a smile on the nation's face. You and your fellow volunteers have been an essential ingredient in a remarkable summer that millions of people across the country have shared and will remember for a lifetime. You have sent an incredible message about the warmth, friendliness and can-do spirit of the United Kingdom right around the world. Quite simply, the Games couldn't have happened without you.

I have heard for myself that, for many, the Olympics and Paralympics have provided the inspiration to volunteer for the first time. But whether this has been a new experience for you, or you have volunteered before, I hope the wonderful memories you have taken away from the Games will encourage you to continue to make a difference.

Thank you again.

Yours sincerely