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Dear Thao

I wanted to write to thank you for your keynote speech at the Embassy on the occasion of Vietnam Women's Day.

Your habitual enthusiasm, integrity, passion and humour were – as usual - to the fore, and informed a wonderful speech and Q&A session. Many staff members have approached me to say how inspirational they found you and your words.

I am glad, too, to have learned from you that it was special for you to return to the Embassy as an honoured guest after so many years; and I found your recollection of being impressed by the disability ramp a touching reminder to reflect, as an Australian, on things that sometimes we take for granted.

As I said on the day, I would be honoured to welcome you as a fellow Australian.

With warm best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'H. Borrowman'.

Hugh Borrowman