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March 26, 2013

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Congressman Chris Smith Dr. Betty Turock Lois Wilkins Congratulations on participating in the 2012-2013 Library of Congress Letters about Literature contest. Your letter to Mary Stevenson was wonderful and you have attained **Second Place in Level I, New Jersey**. I have included a copy of the permission form in order to place your name and your letter on our website, http://www.njcenterforthebook.org.

Please complete the form and return it to me by April 4, 2013. You can send it by email or snail mail, or you can fax it back to 973-827-3625.

New Jersey sent in about 2000 entries this year to the Library of Congress. The first and second rounds of judging are done at the national level. They then returned about 250 letters to New Jersey. A third round of judging reduced the numbers to about 75. The judges met for the fourth round of judging and chose first and second place winners for all three Levels, and about 20 Honorable Mentions for each level.

You and your family are invited to attend a statewide reception in the spring at the Gardens for Sculpture on Tuesday, May 14, 2013, from 3:00 to 5:00. I look forward to meeting you and hearing you read your letter at the reception.

May 14, Letters about Literature Awards Presentation - the awards program will take place at Gardens for Sculpture, 126 Sculptors Way, Hamilton, NJ 08619 I will be in contact with you through email during April with more information about May 14. I will need a list with all the names of the people who will be coming with you.

Sincerely,

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