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Your Majesty

It is with the deepest sadness that I write on behalf of the Burgesses of Guild of the City and Burgh of Aberdeen to convey our condolences on the passing of our much beloved Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Her Majesty was the epitome of integrity and uncompromising commitment to her country and her people throughout her exceptional reign. This country benefitted from a role model respected throughout the world, but also loved by the very young and old alike. In this age of fleeting popularity, the depth of esteem in which she was held is witnessed by the universal respect shown across the globe at this sad time.

Sir, you, and your family have shown us that you too have put duty and country before self, an example to us all, but we do not underestimate the profound grief the royal family is experiencing on the loss of the head of your family, and we extend our most sincere sympathy to you now in that capacity.

The Burgesses of Guild of the City and Burgh of Aberdeen have been continually loyal and supportive of their monarchs through the ages and assure you of our continued loyalty and support.

Your loyal servant,

Sylvia Halkerston,

Lord Dean of Guild of the City and Burgh of Aberdeen