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Mr. Tim Miller, Executive Director
Texas EquuSearch Office
P. O. Box 395
Dickinson, Texas 77539

Dear Mr. Miller:

I just wanted to take a minute to thank you and members of your office for organizing the ground and aerial search for 7-year-old Araceli Marie Trevino. Your expertise and unlimited manpower was just what we needed to get a thorough search done quickly. We all wish there had been a different outcome, but can take comfort in the fact that the family was able to achieve closure in this tragedy.

There were numerous members of your agency assisting in the searches but we do not have any of their names. Please extend our gratitude to all of these dedicated individuals for their tireless efforts to bring this child home. It would have taken weeks to cover this area without the resources that you provided. Everyone we dealt with exhibited a positive attitude and a willingness to do whatever it took to get the job done.

I know our department and all the members of this community join me in thanking all of you for taking time out of your busy schedules to come and help us in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

Mike Merkel
Chief of Police

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