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Libe Free Tresman,

Greetings from the German Consulate General in the Midwest!

I am writing this letter to you today to thank you for what you do. My task as a German diplomat is to strengthen German-American relations, but your work as an educator of German serves much the same function: you cultivate in your students an understanding and appreciation of another culture in the hopes they will later travel and conduct business in Germany, read German and get to deeply know native speakers of the language. Your work is crucial, and I applaud you for what you do.

As a token of the Consulate General of Chicago's appreciation, we have sent you a calendar showing some of Germany's most beautiful sites. We hope the pictures will brighten your classroom in the new year and inspire some wanderlust in your students.

Were the Consulate General to be able to further assist you in 2018, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We understand the important role of German language instruction in benefiting transatlantic relations and wish to make it a priority to support schools within our consular region.

As a final note, I want to apologize for writing to you in English. Were you to wish to share this message with faculty or parents, I would want them to be able to understand.

Best wishes and happy holidays,

Herbert Quelle