



**LIBERAL ARTS AND  
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

INDIANA UNIVERSITY  
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Bloomington

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Heidi Kühn  
CEO  
Roots of Peace

Dear Ms. Kühn:

I offer my congratulations to you and to Roots of Peace on the occasion of "The Harvest of Hope" honor in connection with the 2009 United Nations International Year of Reconciliation.

I want to think you also for being such an outstanding "teacher" to students at Indiana University this week. Your passion, your leadership skills, and your expertise offer young people a wonderful model.

Abraham Lincoln grew up in Indiana, with only primitive schools, few books, and limited opportunities. Yet here on the Indiana frontier, two centuries ago, this boy learned to read and write--and to think. Lincoln grew to greatness to become the greatest American of all time. His passion and intelligence are models for Hoosiers, Midwesterners, and all Americans. And perhaps models too for the children of Afghanistan and around the world who so need the opportunities that Roots of Peace provides.

My very best wishes to you and the workers in the vineyards who make this a better world.

Sincerely,

James H. Madison  
Thomas and Kathryn Miller Professor of History &  
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