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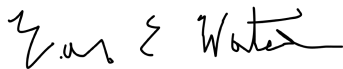
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tara Watson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tara" and last name "Watson" clearly distinguishable.

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