May 25, 2021

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Al Marulli,

I would like to personally thank you from the bottom of my heart for selecting me as a recipient of the Jessica Marulli Scholarship. It really means a lot!

Being at Franklin Pierce is an experience like no other. I have truly felt that I have found my people, and can finally learn about the things that interest me. My time here has hardly been ordinary, but I am still so thankful to be able to be on campus every day. As an Environmental Science and Biology Major, I truly need to be outside to learn in my field. I live on the trails! Whether its wading in a stream or examining rock walls to learn land use history, I have to be outside to truly learn! This scholarship will help to keep me here on campus, and release some of the financial burden that college puts on students like me.

Being selected as a recipient makes me want to help others! I feel as though being recognized is a push to keep helping others out. I am currently developing a community service program again, something that was lost and completely reevaluated when COVID-19 struck. Seeing the difference that I can make only encourages me to help more!

As I am nearing my Junior year, I am hopeful for the future. I am looking forward to becoming an ecologist someday in Maine, and living out my dream of helping sustain the beautiful state that Maine is! I cannot thank you enough, as this scholarship is another encouragement that pushes me closer and closer to my dream!

While I wish I could thank you in person, I hope that this letter can do some form of justice. I am truly very thankful for being chosen as a recipient, and I wish you could've seen my smile when I found out. You are two very wonderful and caring people, and I admire you carrying on your daughter's name and legacy. I hope you stay healthy and safe!

Sincerely, Samantha 2023



