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The Wikimania 2012 Jury  
The Wikimedia Foundation, Inc.  
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To the Wikimedia Foundation:

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura E. Campbell". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Laura E. Campbell  
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