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Dear Graduates, Class of 2023,

Congratulations to the brave class of 2023 who, despite the challenges and hardships of the last four years, have made it to this important rite of passage. Your presence today is an inspiration and a testimony to your amazing commitment to pursue education even under the most stressful circumstances.

I feel honored to be addressing you today. I still recall the mixed feelings of excitement and anxiety that I felt on my graduation day. Embarking on the unknown was truly exhilarating.

Today I serve as the ambassador of my country Jordan to Japan. Prior to being appointed ambassador I was a cabinet minister in Jordan. By conventional standards these are high ranking positions, but ironically, they would not have been possible without gaining the experience from the numerous junior entry level positions I assumed earlier in my career.

Throughout my career, working hard and delivering my best was never done in pursuit of a higher position or better compensation even though I consider myself an ambitious person. I was more concerned with delivering a good job no matter how menial the task might have seemed. Looking back, I can confidently say that this pursuit of excellence was my gateway to bigger and better job opportunities.

As you graduate today, my message to you is to always deliver your best. You are your ultimate judge, and the higher you set your standards the wider your horizons will be. Maintain a solid work ethic and do not waiver in matters that contradict your values and what you stand for. Keep searching and stay curious. The mind is a wonderful gift and the knowledge it helps you acquire is ultimately the power that will fuel your growth.

Today I am proud to be serving my country. I am also just as proud of the telephones I answered and the letters I typed. A successful career is the accumulations of small but well-done tasks. In essence treat everything you do no matter how small or big with the intent to deliver a job you are proud of. The road to success is paved with a series of small well-executed tasks.

Your graduation ceremony is the beginning of many exciting chapters in your life. Embrace the future with the conviction that you have what it takes to make it a rewarding one. Ganbatte!

Sincerely yours,

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