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Dear Ambassador Brigety:

I'm delighted to congratulate you as you step into your role as vice-chancellor and president of The University of the South.

Your election as the first African-American vice-chancellor of Sewanee represents an important step in the long effort to make educational institutions nationwide more equitable and representative.

I'm grateful for your commitment to public service, dialogue, and diplomacy, and I look forward to following the university's progress under your leadership. You have my best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Bill Clinton*

*I loved your statement  
on the current debate on racism  
"They young people... do not want  
progress, they want change." That  
they do. You glad you have been  
and will be a big part of it.*