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I commenced the senior phase of my schooling career in 2006 until 2010 [Grade 8-12] at Silver Heights Secondary School in Pietermaritzburg. During this period I lived with Mr And Mrs Rajah and their two children. We were 32 teenagers in total that the Rajah's took care of in their home. As students, we came from rural areas that were disadvantaged. Most schools were dilapidated and lacked the environment for proper learning.

Mr and Mrs Rajah became our parents in "a home away from home". Many of us came from single parent homes and I was overwhelmed when we were treated with such love and respect and had the parental oversight of such incredible people. Besides the various life skills that the Rajah's taught us, our spiritual needs were also met whereby we were taken to church and youth meetings. Daily devotions became part of our routine.

Whilst I missed being with my family and friends, I had the confidence to know that I was in good hands. Our study times and homework were well monitored and as a result I excelled in my studies and Passed with distinctions. As a parental figure, Mr Rajah applied to various universities so that I could realise my dreams of becoming an engineer. Today I am proud to state that I am a qualified civil Engineer with a bachelor degree. I am forever grateful and indebted to Mr and Mrs Rajah for playing such a vital road role in my life. There is no doubt that their parental guidance, love and dedication has yielded much fruit.

I must add that many other children like myself also enjoyed the benefits of being under the care of the Mr and Mrs Rajah. This couple has been selfless in their efforts in making sure that those less fortunate are taken care of. Their passion and dedication cement the adage that "greatest among us are those who benefit mankind"

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