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Good evening Mr. Chang, Mr. Ray, honored guests, family and friends, and the graduating Class of 2010. I believe today is the day for us to be inspired and to move on to the next stage of our lives.

First of all, I would like to thank all the parents on behalf of the Class of 2010. Without your unconditional love and support, we wouldn't be able to stand here right at this place tonight. Next, we would like to give a special thanks to Mr. Ray and all the teachers and administrators who gave their best to support and educate us.

Being the graduating Class of 2010, we believe that today is a turning point in each of our lives. We have spent the past years wandering the halls of this great school and now we are ready to go on. We have learned together ... laughed together ... loved together ... and even gotten into trouble together ... but, most of all, we have matured together.

However, today isn't only about reminiscing about our past, but it also about looking forward into our future. Life is a series of passageways – now we are leaving one and moving on to the next. That is where we meet new people, face new challenges, and learn new things. The unknowns of our future may seem frightening now, looming over us like a dark thundercloud, but we might find that it is just a light, spring rain that brings the tidings of a rainbow.

Living under our parents' and teachers' protection, we have always been kept in a safe comfort zone, but now the next step is for us all to be responsible for ourselves, to overcome obstacles, and to be successful in our lives. But who knows? Some of us just might become successful business leaders, doctors, famous artists or musicians, or maybe ... just maybe ... perhaps someday way down the road, one of us will become the first truly non-corrupt, democratically elected Prime Minister of Thailand.

I will leave you all with a special inspiring quote by W.C. Doane that I would like to share with my classmates of the graduating Class of 2010. He says, "Life has no smooth road for any of us, and in the bracing atmosphere of a high aim, the very roughness stimulates the climber to steadier steps, till the legend, over steep ways to the stars, fulfills itself." Thank you very much.

Thank you.

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