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I would like to express my immense gratitude for making this opportunity possible. My name is Jill Baker, and I am one of the two Jim Dowe Public Media Interns. I have had the most educational and rewarding experience over the past 12 weeks. A summer ago, I was working four jobs and about 70 hours a week to put myself through school. But as a direct result of your generosity to Maine Public and to the Jim Dowe Public Media Internship program, I solely focused my time on this extraordinary opportunity.

I have been studying Journalism in school, and this summer has truly thrown me into all the realms of public media, something impossible to replicate in a classroom. Each week, I learned about a new subject, working with a mentor who was brilliant in their field, nurturing Belle and I to be stronger journalists.

My whole summer did not even feel like work. I was interviewing people for fascinating stories, writing articles, taking photos and videos, editing packages together, and learning even when I did not realize I was. This internship truly helped me hone in on what I inspires me in Journalism and it was made possible by you. For that, I am thankful.

If you are interested in hearing more about my summer at Maine Public and/or myself, feel free to email me. I would absolutely love to hear from you.

With many thanks,

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