Alyssa,

So here we are, six months into this relationship, and a thousand miles away. I gotta say, this wasn't exactly what I was picturing in my head for our six-month anniversary, but I'll take what I can get. I can't ship a hug or mail a kiss express, so this'll have to do until we see each other again. Still, I'm always grateful that we can talk face-to-face and text daily (170-plus days and counting!). This would be so much harder if all we could do was write letters back and forth, although I do admit there is something nice about holding a letter from you in my own hands. A simple piece of paper you've written a note on is a little bridge between the two of us, no matter how far apart we are. Now before I get too much into the, "I love you... and I miss you... HUUUUUUUUHHHHH," action, let me just say that I'm so grateful for the past six months we've spent together, and I can't wait until we get to see each other again, whenever that may be.

With love always,

Mike

P.S. – You'll find a handwritten version of this note tucked away somewhere in this package so you have something physical to hold onto – letters just hit different, y'know?