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### MESSAGE:

Hi Governor Palin! I just wanted to say congratulations on the birth of your son! Yes, the happy news even reached us here in Ohio! I know that you haven't spoken at length about the nature of your new son's challenges, but I have read that he has Down syndrome. I hope you don't find this intrusive or obnoxious, but I wanted to let you know that if that is so, you are in for a wonderful journey full of great joy and pride in your child's accomplishments! My son, Drew, turns 2 in June. He was born with Down syndrome, and while I was initially panicky about the diagnosis, he has proven at every step that he will not be defined by his genetic material. He is utterly "normal" in terms of his development--not a single delay yet! He has a smile that lights up the room, and a magnetism I've never witnessed before. He literally draws people to him wherever we go, and I hope you experience the same joy with your new baby! Good luck and congratulations again! Kathy Layden Palmer

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