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Dear Dr. Rizk,

I am writing this letter to you to express my profound gratitude for being the one aesthetic plastic surgeon that finally got it right and gave me a beautiful nose.

By the time I came to your office for consultation I had undergone three previous surgeries (over a period of fifteen years) performed by doctors who were considered well respected in their field. However none of them performed what needed to be done to make my nose attractive.

I never did have an ugly, deformed or broken nose — I just wanted it to be a bit more refined and slightly re-shaped- a result that would give me a less harsh appearance. Instead, after those previous surgeries, I ended up with what you called a "hanging columella", along with some other problems that need to be addressed with reconstructive surgery.

During my consultation with you I noticed how carefully you listened to all my concerns. You explained clearly everything you intended to do. You were sensitive to the fact that I had undergone an unusual amount of previous unsuccessful surgeries and you convinced me that you were not only up for the challenge but that you would be the one that would finally get it right. You were undeterred by the challenge and I admired your confidence.

Within a day or two after surgery I could see the result. I still looked like myself but my facial countenance was now softer, prettier — just as I always wanted. The surgery was a perfect success. The change was so subtle but real. No one even knew I had the surgery but I was getting compliments on how pretty I looked. No one could put their finger on what it was but the sharp hanging tip was gone and my nose was filled out a bit also, which gave it a prettier line. You gave me exactly what I wanted all these years. How can I thank you?

I thought that writing this letter for your future patients would be one way I could do that. To assure them that your hands are so gifted. You are an *artist and a genius*. This is what plastic/aesthetic surgery must aspire to.

I also want to thank your entire staff. Each person was so helpful and so very nice. From start to finish it was a very gratifying experience!

Forever grateful,

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