



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

5<sup>th</sup> November 2012

Dear Mrs Southgate

The Queen wishes me to write and thank you for the letter and kind message which you sent on the occasion of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, and for the splendid record of celebratory ringing in the County of Essex which you enclosed.

The Queen has been deeply moved by the wonderful response to her Jubilee, and Her Majesty was touched to hear that there were a total of thirty-seven quarter peals and ten full peals rung to commemorate this historic year, representing such an overwhelming amount of time, effort and skill.

I am to thank you very much once again for your kind thought for The Queen at this time, and hope you will understand that, because of the enormous number of messages received in the past few months, it has not been possible to reply to you until now.

Yours

Sincerely

Philippa de Pass

Lady-in-Waiting

Miss T Southgate