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Mr. Michael Heaphy  
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Dear Mr. Heaphy,

On the occasion of the U.S. Defense Standardization Program (DSP) anniversary and on behalf of IEEE, I congratulate DSP for 70 years of championing standardization through the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD), and for its dedication to standards development and the implementation of standards. DSP's dedication to the development of standards and its work in providing access to standardization processes, products, and services is to be commended.

As a global standards developing organization, we applaud DSP for its recognition of the importance and value of standards and its long standing commitment to providing the DoD with technically superior standards that help enable interoperability, reliability, maintainability, and safety.

IEEE is proud to have collaborated with DoD on the adoption of IEEE software engineering standards IEEE 15288.2-2014 Standard for Technical Review and Audits on Defense Programs and IEEE 15288.1-2014 Standard for Application of Systems Engineering on Defense Programs and welcomes future collaboration through DSP.

As DSP continues its work and advances its programs, we wish DSP another 70 years of growth and great success.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James E. Matthews III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

James E. Matthews III  
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