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To: Lesley Groff <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re: Your Message...lots of stuff!

Date: Mon, 15 Dec 2014 22:19:39 +0000

Oh gosh...this email made me ball. I just can't shake this. I thought by telling you it would make me feel better...instead it is actually worse...it is more real, more certain and just outright sad. I was chatting with Romy last night and she even said that she thinks it is so hard to find good friends...it hit my hard as I totally agree with her. I also realized this weekend that although I have other very dear friends here it is not the same as my relationship with you. It is just not. I do agree that it is because our lives are so similar and it has worked so well. I can't imagine this scenario ever happening again. I have rehashed so many things in my head over the past two months...watching [REDACTED] getting ready to go to college and seeing him with his same set of best friends since they were in 3rd grade. Us winning the football championship, us going out for our birthdays, us drinking the same wine and loving just sitting next to each other at every opportunity. It is just sad and it makes me have a sort of resentment towards Pat; although I know this is how it needs to be it just makes me mad and sad at the same time. Then there are other days when I say to myself...everyone moves, many people don't have jobs, money and love...we have all that and so I need to just buck up and move forward. The only conclusion I can make is to enjoy our time together while not worrying about actually growing closer before we are separated and then planning our times to see each other after. I don't know what else to do...I never have problems sleeping and for about a month now I can't sleep...even on nights when I am not thinking about it I know it still must be what is keeping me awake at night. I just think that this town is so wonderful to raise a son...it just is so hurtful to me.

As for NYE...I want you and your family...don't feel like you can't bring them. Your family is my family. Maybe they can take a separate car and if they don't want to stay as late they can leave earlier...whatever works and don't feel like you have to come if you decide it would be easier to stay home. I just want you to know that I want you here.

Come by tomorrow night if it is easy...otherwise no worries. Let's totally walk one day this week. If you get up and do some cardio in your basement then our walk is like icing on the cake...and I promise...we will go fast...you will feel like it was worth it, I promise. I can do Wednesday at 10:30, Thursday 10:30...or if one of those times doesn't work maybe I can do another time.

Love you,

Paula

On Dec 15, 2014, at 3:58 PM, Lesley Groff <[REDACTED]> wrote:

> Oh Paula...I feel like my heart was ripped out this weekend...I could not even discuss your move with my sister last night cause I was afraid I would break down...I am just miserable with the whole thought of it...I think because our lives are so intertwined with not just us but our boys too it's making it doubly hard. I mean, how many times did we see each other because of the boys this weekend? I love sitting next to you at all these games...how great was it that I could just swing by, on literally a minutes notice, to pick you up ..it gives me so much comfort to know you are right there for me a mile away...YOU are irreplaceable. There is no one like you for me...

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> As you said, we must make the most of our time we have together for now...and i promise we will come visit you and I want you to come here and stay with us...we will make it all happen...and then yes, hopefully, you will be back and the boys can be best buds and play sports together and graduate together...

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> The gingerbread party was fine...[REDACTED] enjoyed it and Ike for sure spoke to at least 5 guys he does biz with...I thought Ike's analogy was great...he said that just saved him 5 times of going out to dinner...and its probably true.

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> We had a super time with Ash and family for [REDACTED] bday...the kids all got along so well and

had fun with each other...we adults ate, drank, talked and watched football ...they left at 10:00...The cake I made for ■ was outstanding! Made Martha Stewarts Chocolate frosting and it was really good...

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> Mammo and ultrasound both negative! so i am fine...my heart was pounding when I called them for my results..very relieved.

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> NYE-you are so sweet! I want to come! maybe we all come or maybe Ike and I sneak out for a couple of hours...let me talk to the family and see what everyone thinks...and even if everyone comes we would not stay to midnight!! My parents are not big party-ers!

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> I am home for rest of the week! so happy about that! ■ has wrestling tomorrow night and Ike is out...if you had 5:40-6:30 free I could stop by for a glass of wine and chat! We have nothing wed...we are out thurs... fri our boys are at the Rasso's (need the details for that)...I know Pat comes in so thinking you are doing airport run...? I want to give you your xmas gift(s) too..and I have gift for ■ ...I'd even go on a power walk at some point! :)

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> Long email I know!

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