



FROM THE DESK OF

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To All Our Valued Customers and Employees,

*I want to share my emotional story with you.
On Saturday, September 26, I participated in the
Hampton's Full Marathon by the beautiful sea on
LI's shoreline.*

*During my 6th mile, the runners were divided into
2 courses, full and half marathon. That alone is
already a big emotional moment...as I realize, I am
about to run my 5th full marathon and I say to myself...
Wow!!!...I can't believe I'm doing this!!!*

*With all of these feelings, and while listening to loud
music, something compelled me to look up to the sky.
At that moment an airplane with a banner of our
La Bottega logo, along with the number that I was
running with was flying overhead. Filled with so many
emotions, I had to stop for a second to look back on the
steps of my life. To think where Giuseppe and I came
from, and then where we are now.... All I could say was
THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, to our
wonderful family, and to all our customers and employees
who believed in us since day one, and continue to support
our success.*

*All of this is because of all of you. Again, thank you.
I really wanted to share this with all of you.
We believe that life is made from small special emotions,
and this is one of those.*

Con tanto affetto,

Marisa

