Dear [Referral's Name],

I hope this message finds you well. I want to take a moment to thank you for referring me to [Company Name] for the [Job Title] position. I truly appreciate your support and confidence in my abilities.

After careful consideration, I have decided to pursue a different opportunity that aligns more closely with my career goals. I am grateful for your assistance and hope to stay in touch for future opportunities.

Thank you once again for your understanding and support.

Best regards,

[Your Name]

[Your Contact Information]