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James W. Wagner, Ph.D. President 408 Administration Building Emory University Atlanta, Ga. 30322

Dear President Wagner,

Congratulations on your new position as President of Emory University. We look forward to a pleasant working relationship with you in the future.

One of our organization's goals is to further open discussion on an issue of significant importance to everyone: animals used in medical experiments.

We would like to invite a representative from Emory to participate in a discussion concerning the use of animals. As you are probably aware, physicians have differing opinions on the usefulness of animals in research on cancer, AIDS, stroke and many of the other diseases currently under investigation at Emory and in Yerkes' laboratories.

This discussion would be limited to the scientific merits of non-human experimental models of human disease. Animals rights, ethics, and other non-scientific issues could be explicitly excluded as topics. Only trained medical professionals would be invited to participate. Emory and Yerkes could designate the location, time, date and all procedural rules of the discussion.

Such a discussion would be of interest to the public and to Emory University students. We hope you will accept our invitation and meet with us to explore possible venues.

I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely.

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