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February 16, 1953

Mr. Abe Ferer  
1300 Sunnyhills Road  
Oakland, California

Dear Mr. Ferer:

I know that you will be pleased to learn that construction of our new hospital pavilion is now under way. It was made possible, as you know, by generous donations like yours from many of our friends and patients who shared our realization of the tremendous importance of such a unit.

As we have already mentioned to you, this new pavilion will be unique in that it has been designed to take advantage of the most recent advances in medical research, drawn from the fields of physics, chemistry, biology and engineering, thus utilizing the combined talents of the entire staff of Donner Laboratory. Diseases for which there is now no successful treatment, such as leukemia, cancer and coronary heart disease will be subjected to exhaustive study. Since we have the entire facilities of the University and the Radiation Laboratory at our disposal, we have an incomparable advantage which will result in extremely productive and valuable research findings to aid in our fight against leukemia, coronary disease and other important medical problems. We are also training a number of doctors in the field of radiation, and in times of national emergency the unit will serve as a center for emergency treatment.

The funds that we have available now, however, are just barely sufficient for its construction, and we are now faced with the very real problem of operating expenses. Because the hospital pavilion will be maintained on a non-profit basis, and since most of the patients treated there will be unable to contribute toward the extensive operating expenses, there is an urgent need for funds. Two of the direct uses to which such support would be applied are operating funds for hospital patients, their nursing care, special drugs, meals and so forth and funds for the purchase and operation of instruments and research equipment.

I hope that I have been able to convey to you some of my enthusiasm for this pavilion which will be of immense value in opening up new avenues of treatment, and which offers, in my estimation, a most promising field of medical research. Perhaps you would consider establishing a "Goldee Ferer Memorial Fund" for leukemia research or the endowment of a hospital bed for needy patients.

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Please let me know if there is anything further that I can do to make you more personally acquainted with the plans and needs of this project, but I did want to get this off to you early in the year 1953.

With cordial regards,

John H. Lawrence, M. D.

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