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Dear Friends and Supporters of the Sally Edelman Harry Gardner Cancer Research Foundation;

This letter is a detail of the activities of the Sally Edelman Harry Gardner Cancer Research Foundation since its inception in 1984. After the death of Harry Gardner in 1977, George started a campaign to raise money that would go directly to research a cure for cancer without associated administrative costs. He contacted the University of Rochester Cancer Research Center, establishing what would become a strong relationship. Their first project was to purchase a Chromatography unit accomplishing this within three years.

In 1981 George faced a personal tragedy that reinforced his drive to raise money to research this disease. George's wife Sally was diagnosed with cancer and with her death in 1982, his personal goal became a mission. Hence, the Sally Edelman Harry Gardner Cancer Research Foundation was created. The foundation would be positioned in a way to place the monies raised during our campaigns directly into investments. The interest and dividends gained would fund research projects in the Rochester area through the University of Rochester James P. Wilmot Cancer Center.

The goal was now clear. The foundation will raise \$1,000,000 with 100% of the money allocated for research. This was accomplished with the total raised, distributed, and on deposit near \$ 2,000,000. There have been numerous articles written and published in medical journals citing the foundation as contributors of "Seed" grant monies to researchers. "Seed" grants are monies the foundation donates to the leaders of the Wilmot Cancer Center. They, in turn, select the primary research project to support. The hope is that the "seed" so planted results in further monetary support by the National Cancer Institute and the National Institute of Health. This activity has been very successful in helping to secure additional grants for Wilmot researchers. The foundation has funded research projects that specialize in colon, ovarian and breast cancer. It has given the University of Rochester over \$600,000 to purchase equipment, provide grants, award fellowships, and support research projects. Below are the major projects the foundation supports....

- radioimmunotherapy in human colon cancer
- prediction of the proliferation capacity of tumors
- chronobiological effects in cancer treatment
- manipulation of blood flow to improve the responses of tumor treatment.

Interactive/collaborative cancer research (a five year commitment @ \$50,000 annually.)
Final payment will be complete in spring of 2006.

To date we have over \$1,000,000 earning solid dividends. With the activities mentioned below, the foundation created a base of monies for investment. This base is growing and has funded research projects to aid in the cure for cancer.

Couples Golf Tournament

“Wheelin and Walkin” Bike a-thon

Euchre Tournaments

Sam Miller and Friends; pennies, change & recycle of cans and bottles

Raffles

Bowling Tournaments

Personal Contributions

Memorials

Canoe for Cancer

Motorcycle Poker Run

Men’s and Women’s Golf Tournaments

Book Fair

The dedication, effort, and commitment of one person has grown to include many people. The foundation has 5 members sitting on its board of directors, 1 retired board member in an advisory capacity, 25 people that lead committees, and hundreds of people that donate their time and money. This foundation exists because of friends and supporters volunteering time, individually and collectively All have made a difference.

On behalf of the chairman George Edelman and the board of directors, a very humble thank you for making a difference. The Board has reviewed a new proposal from the Wilmot Cancer Center and has granted the Wilmot Cancer Center, \$50,000 for 2007. This grant will be patterned after the \$50,000 per year, 5 year \$250,000 commitment completed spring of 2006.

Robert J. Westcott

Secretary