Dear Friends,

I have exciting news to share about the Ellison Institute’s planned move to West Los Angeles!

Last week we announced a new home for the Lawrence J. Ellison Institute for Transformative Medicine at 12414 Exposition Boulevard (at Bundy Drive & Centinela Avenue). The boldly designed contemporary building is already under construction and we expect to move in by the spring of 2019.

This new home is the culmination of a longtime dream of mine made possible by the remarkable gift from Larry Ellison. This gift will enable the Ellison Institute to house our entire team: scientists, doctors, faculty, and staff, all under one roof. The Institute will also draw collaborators from across the full spectrum of the health and wellness fields to help us inspire groundbreaking research and improve every aspect of patient care. The interiors and landscape architecture, designed by award-winning Rios Clementi Hale Studios, feature collaborative space, private work space, our labs and clinic, and a wellness clinic, all enhanced with stunning views of the Pacific Ocean from uninterrupted windows and broad patios running the length of the building. To let you share in our excitement, some initial renderings of our vision for the building are on the reverse side of this page.

The Institute will create a new paradigm in cancer research. It will be a place where researchers, doctors and scientists from diverse spheres can apply their specialized expertise in a team environment — an institute that has the ability to embrace community involvement, research, and the greatest technological advances, all working toward the goal of understanding and treating disease. The Institute will also play a crucial role in teaching and influencing the next generation of researchers and clinicians while also offering educational and supportive tools to the community. The new building will further improve our sensitivity to patients’ needs, care and comfort with state-of-the-art laboratories at its core.

Our job at the Ellison Institute isn’t just to treat cancer, but to change how we treat cancer. The Institute will spark a new moment of hope and inspiration for everyone who enters our doors, and our lobby will house Robert Indiana’s amazing sculpture called HOPE, serving as an elegant and concrete reminder of that optimism. With both visionary leadership and a far-reaching network, the Institute strives to become a world leader in disease prevention, health promotion and cancer treatments. From our new location in West Los Angeles, we will further our partnerships in convergent science and continue in our quest to help patients attain longer, healthier and more fulfilling lives.

We are honored and privileged to share this new building with caring donors like you and the entire Los Angeles community. We hope you will come visit us in the spring!

Be on the lookout for the save the date for our next Rebels with a Cause event, our biennial fundraiser, which will be held in March, 2019. We will have a few more surprises to announce soon as well, so stay tuned... .

With respect,

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