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Dear Tony:

As the holiday season approaches, I would like to express my gratitude for and my thanks to the T.J. Martell Foundation for a decade of continuous support. I greatly appreciate your passion and commitment to support innovative research at our Center.

I am pleased to share with you some of the groundbreaking research that is being conducted at Mayo Clinic. Together, we have accomplished a number of important advances:

- Designed, implemented and completed several pre-clinical and clinical trials focused on immunotherapy, targeted therapy and gene therapy. The practical and *translational* nature of this research offers patients state-of-the-art treatment options.
- Researched molecular cellular pathways in prostate cancer cells. By better understanding how prostate cancer cells work at the molecular level, we will be better able to detect, prognose and treat cancer.
- Studied new biomarkers in prostate cancer that provide important clues into the genetic and environmental factors that contribute to the development of cancer. Biomarker discovery has the potential to provide new targets for therapy, may predict response to existing therapy, and improve treatment.

Although we have made tremendous advances in prostate cancer research, cancer still touches far too many lives, and we are working diligently towards finding cures.

Our researchers relentlessly pursue breakthroughs and discoveries to advance patient care. The support from the T.J. Martell Foundation is more important than ever in today's era of reduced governmental funding and raising health care costs. The advancements we can make, together, *will* help people for generations to come.

Thank you for your confidence in Mayo Clinic. I hope that you and your family have a safe and joyous holiday season.

Sincerely,



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