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Mr. John V/ Connorton Executive Director The Greater New York Hospital Association 369 Lexington Avenue New York, New York

Dear Mr. Connorton:

I note with interest your return to "active duty." The foregoing is quoted from a verbal order by my husband who is in George Washington University Hospital following a heart attack. He bids me say that he would have replied earlier in salute to the announcement except for the fact that he was in Europe until March 25; after a mere one week at the office which was taken up with an official report and such matters he was stricken. He wonders if you would be interested in the enclosed clipping; the matter related and his attack have no connection. We had known of the award for some time but had been asked not to speak of it until the news was released officially.

I am glad to report that he is progressing satisfactorily but the doctors dictate a month in the hospital and a month of rest at home.

With my own assurances of interest in your success, I am,

Sincerely yours,

ELIZABETH SMITH FRIKIMAN

Incl:

P.S. My husband mays his biggest query of all is, "why should the food in hospitals be so execrable?"