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Dear Doctor:

We are happy to announce that the planning for the new Alexian Brothers Hospital to be built in Elk Grove Village is progressing steadily. To meet the requirements of the State agency, which administers the Hill-Burton program, we must begin construction of the new building this summer. Our present plan calls for the groundbreaking to take place in July or August.

In order to secure the necessary financial assistance from the people in the northwest suburban area, and to encourage their present enthusiasm for our project, an office has been opened in a model home in Elk Grove Village. The house, located at 200 E. Higgins Road, has been lent to us by the Centex Construction Co., rent free for an indefinite period, and serves as campaign headquarters. The wholehearted cooperation and enthusiasm of the municipal officials and other interested parties has certainly been heartening, and has helped us to keep expenses at a minimum.

We have received many inquiries, both here and at the Elk Grove office, from some of the nearly 300 doctors and dentists who live in the primary service area of the new hospital, expressing their interest in the program. To keep them fully informed a letter and a booklet, especially designed to answer their questions, has been prepared and mailed to them. A card was enclosed for those doctors and dentists who are interested in applying for a staff appointment at the new Alexian Brothers Hospital.

The Brothers have discussed this matter fully with reference to you who are associated with the Chicago hospital. We have decided that it is not necessary to go through this formal process if you wish to be associated with the new Hospital also. Thus, no such application card will be forwarded to present staff members. At a later date, members of the currently appointed medical staff who wish to have privileges at the Elk Grove Hospital, will be requested to forward a letter to that effect.

A professionally produced, color-sound slide film presentation entitled "How A Hospital Happens" has been prepared as part of the public relations and fund-raising efforts for the proposed new hospital. This presentation takes from 15-20 minutes, and we hope to be able to present this to our Medical Staff as soon as possible. If not before, possibly at the C.P.C. to be held in the month of March.

We hope that the interest already shown by members of the present medical staff in the new Alexian Brothers Hospital program will continue to grow, which will insure the ultimate success of this progressive venture.

Sincerely yours,

Brother Gregory

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Administrator

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