July 17, 1975 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA Dr. Leonard Schuman, Director Dept. of Epidemiology 1325 Mayo Dear Len: The solicitious letter of Dr. Long is a little bizarre. He apparently was unable to appreciate: 1) that research people present their concepts and methods in terms of their direct experience, and not to "toot their horns" before summer seminar students they'll never see again! 2) that the surgical approach to hyperlipidemia, interesting and important as it is, probably has nothing to do with the epidemiology of, or the public health approach to cardiovascular diseases. It would, of course, be a revealing exercise to expose that concept before serious public health students of the problem and to observe their reactions. I wonder if Dr. Hollingsworth would really do it. Dr. Prineas and I enjoyed the exposure to the students as well as the social contact with the seminar this summer. Regards, Henry Blackburn, M.D. HB/kn



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Dear Dr. Schuman:

I have just attended the final lecture in the course "Epidemiology of Cardiovascular Disease." Thank you for allowing me to attend.

Dr. Kuller's lectures were excellent, as were those by Dr. Blackburn and his staff. The latter group did a good job of presenting the work of the Laboratory of Physiological Hygiene.

In future years, should you wish to do so, I feel that Dr. Hollingsworth could do an excellent job of presenting information about our trial and the work of Varco and Buchwald. As you know, they are using surgical methods to control hyperlipidemia and to obtain knowledge about the atherosclerotic process.

Again, thank you for allowing me to attend.

Yours (truly,

Ighn M. Long, Ed.D.

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