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Dean Robert Kane
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Dear Bob:

There appears to be no "perfect" time for stepping aside as Division Head. I have long had the plan that I would do this in association with turning 65 which will arrive in March, 1990. After 18 years as Division Head and 6 years as Head of Epidemiology, I look forward to a period of creative academic activity rather than administration. There seems now to be no particular reason to depart from that plan.

The Division is strong. There is no major administrative or economic crisis. My principal concern at this juncture is to preserve and enhance the strengths of the Division and to see an orderly transition of direction.

I hereby tender my resignation as Division Head. I anticipate that the current direction of the Division will remain in the hands of an Executive Faculty and an administrative group of myself, John Potter and Russell Luepker, with Dean Surbey and Kathy Ramel, until a new Head is appointed.

We appreciate your support of the Division and of its continuity in the next period.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Henry Blackburn'.

Henry Blackburn, MD
Professor and Director

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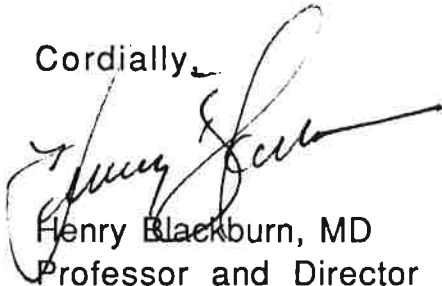
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Professor Geoffrey Maruyama
Education Psychology
250 Burton Hall
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Dear Professor Maruyama:

Many thanks for your good efforts. Some of us are terribly distressed that higher education should be tied into future gambling income in the State of Minnesota. Is there not some way we can get out from under this? If faculty futures depend on gambling income and the University's package for SDI funding comes in part from Indirect Costs that we earn from health researches, Academia becomes degraded. There remains no distinction between right and wrong in the basic support for higher education and in our liaisons of convenience.

Congratulations on your bold statements about the symbolic message needed from the last legislative session. Though we didn't exactly get the message, it certainly wasn't your fault. We do have a great deal of faculty unrest in Health Sciences as elsewhere. I hate the term "bad morale" when we should be focussing on our work and mission. But unrest, surely!

Cordially,



Henry Blackburn, MD
Professor and Director

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Division Heads
Dean Brown