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Dear Henry:

Is it true what I hear that the Dean of the School of Public Health has decided to leave? I hope it's not true, but if it is I would like to make a suggestion. I think the School of Public Health needs some strong and lasting leadership and I would suggest that either you or Edith step forward in that capacity. / ? !!

I am concerned about the weakening position of schools of public health and departments of epidemiology around the country. I think that efforts are going to have to be made to take a realistic look at these programs and find a way to get solid, ongoing leadership for them. This is especially true if public health schools get a chance to participate in the emerging questions of health care costs and effectiveness. / !

The University of Minnesota is a great school and I'm sure will continue to be great, but it does need the best and most stable leadership possible.

I hope you have had a good ski season.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

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