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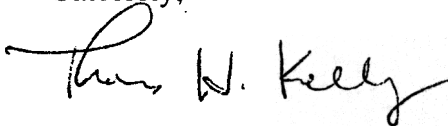
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Dear Dave:

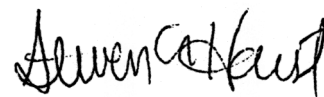
In anticipation of Senate deliberations pertaining to the proposal for the academic relocation of the Graduate Center for Toxicology into the College of Medicine, the Faculty Council of the College of Medicine has reviewed a memorandum of understanding pertaining to the proposal, dated April 20, 2004, and has discussed the proposal with Dr. Mary Vore on 5/18/04. Faculty Council recognizes a number of significant academic advantages to both the College of Medicine and to the Graduate Center for Toxicology associated with the proposal, including enhanced educational opportunities for both medical and graduate students, as well as enhanced research collaborations among the faculty of these units. There was only one minor concern that was identified. It was recognized that the addition of any new basic science department to the College of Medicine could tax the resources of the Integrated Biomedical Sciences (IBS) graduate program. However, it was also clear from discussions with Dr. Vore, as well as the director of the IBS program, Dr. Harrison, that the potential impact of the proposal to relocate Toxicology to the College of Medicine on the IBS program has been considered by the chairs of the affected basic science departments in the College of Medicine, and that reasonable plans to incorporate the participation of Toxicology in a gradual manner while carefully monitoring the impact on the program had been developed.

Based upon the substantial academic benefits associated with the proposal, Faculty Council endorsed the proposal unanimously.

Sincerely,



Thomas H. Kelly, Ph.D.
Chair, Faculty Council



Steve Haist, M.D.
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cc: Dr. Jay Perman

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