



### TO ALL FRIENDS OF THE LABORATORY:

The Board of Directors and staff are aware of the financial concerns you and your family are facing during this difficult period of economic uncertainty. Watching your budget and taking fiscally prudent means to ensure that you can ride out this turbulent time is something all of us, including the Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL), must face.

We understand that this is going to have a dramatic impact on individual, government, corporate and foundation giving. The availability of National Institutes of Health (NIH) grants is diminishing as the NIH budget continues to decline. Despite these challenges, we are delighted that you continue to support our mission to find the treatments and cures of tomorrow within the length of your cable tow.

We are in the midst of our 50th Anniversary of Service to Humanity and our Campaign for Discovery to raise an additional \$15 M in endowment. We are fortunate to have endowment funds to help us weather these turbulent times but we are by no means an endowed institute. It is times like these that illustrate the importance of having a vision for the future and prudent fiscal management to ensure our future. We owe much to the wise counsel of the past and present members of our Board of Directors and administration.

We look to the future recognizing fully that the best that science and medicine have to offer is yet to come. During this season of hope and celebration, please take a moment to count your blessings and extend a helping hand to ensure the promise of healthier tomorrow through medical research. Your tax-deductible gift, large or small, will provide the most valuable gift of all...the gift of life.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and staff of the MMRL, we wish you and yours a joyous holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year.

Sincerely and fraternally,

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### Every Little Bit Makes a Difference

Understanding the building blocks of financial and estate planning is the foundation on which you can build and secure the future for yourself and family. The MMRL may be able to help you with your financial planning, estate planning and philanthropic goals. For more information and a confidential meeting on how we can be of assistance, please call the MMRL Development Office toll free at 1.888.888.MMRL or 315.735.2217, ext. 127 or send us e-mail at [development@mmrl.edu](mailto:development@mmrl.edu).

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