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### **Schneeweiss Family Leaves a Lasting Legacy**

The Schneeweiss Family Charitable Fund recently made a donation in the amount of \$200,000 to the Cardiac Research Institute at Masonic Medical Research Laboratory (MMRL). These funds will be directed towards bolstering the institute's endowment so that they are able to leave a lasting legacy to support current and future research projects. In addition to this magnanimous gift, David and Hallie Schneeweiss have given nearly \$100,000 to support the MMRL's mission during David's tenure as a member of the Board of Directors of the MMRL. Gifts such as these enable continuity of the research and make possible future research projects that push the frontiers of science and medicine.

David and Hallie Schneeweiss, along with their sons Robert and Peter, are responsible for directing the funds to the MMRL, the entire family is known for their charitable giving to humanitarian causes. David has given generously of his time and talent to promote the MMRL and its mission to provide a healthier tomorrow for all. When asked about his generous gift, David said "I hope to inspire others to support medical research at the Laboratory so that future generations will have access to new treatments and cures. I believe that the MMRL is one of the crown jewels of Freemasonry and that we can make a significant impact in the world of medicine through our support."

Charles Antzelevitch, Ph.D., Executive Director and Director of Research for the MMRL, had this to say regarding David Schneeweiss and his family, "We have been fortunate to have the Schneeweiss family at our side for over 14 years. Since his appointment to our Board in May of 2000, David has worked tirelessly to raise awareness and engender support for the exciting research conducted at our institute in support of our medical research for the benefit of all

humankind. David has served as Chairman, President, and Vice President. He also kept a vigil eye on our endowments, during turbulent economic times, the income of which is critical to maintaining the continuity of the research through turbulent federal funding cycles. The beneficence of the Schneeweiss family with gifts large and small has helped make our institute what it is today, one of the top institutes of its size and budget anywhere in the world. We are grateful beyond words for their generosity and continued kindness.”

**About The Masonic Medical Research Laboratory** - The Masonic Medical Research Laboratory is a not-for-profit institute founded by the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in the State of New York in 1958 and dedicated to improving the health and quality of life for all. The institute’s primary mission is to conduct high quality basic and clinical research aimed at generating knowledge and information necessary for development of the medical cures and treatments of tomorrow. The Laboratory is also committed to providing education and training to basic scientists, clinical researchers and students who will perpetuate and extend the fight against disease. Please visit [www.mmrl.edu](http://www.mmrl.edu) to learn more about research at the MMRL or search for the MMRL on Facebook, Twitter, Google+, YouTube and LinkedIn.



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