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Ms. Mary Zitwer Millman President The Eugene Zitwer Foundation 50 Court Street, Suite 702 Brooklyn, NY 11201

RE: Status Report

Dear Ms. Millman:

On behalf of Mount Sinai Beth Israel, we thank you for The Eugene Zitwer Foundation's December 2013 grant of \$862.50 to our Pediatric Child Life Program in support of two projects – holiday staffing and the purchase of coloring books for our Pediatric ED.

The Foundation's vital support of holiday staffing in our Pediatric Intensive Care Unit's playroom during the first half of 2014 enabled us to keep the Unit's playroom open over two holidays: New Year's Day and Memorial Day 2014. This special staff coverage has made a real difference in the lives of our young patients by enabling the playroom to be open 365 days a year so that patients can leave their rooms and utilize the space. We are pleased to enclose a recent photo of a young 11 year old patient having fun in the playroom – she has been a patient since she was three months old and she loves to visit the space – on this day, she used the iPad in the photograph to play games and to get information on her medical condition with the help of Child Life Specialist Marcia Graham.

We are also in the process of purchasing coloring books and crayons for our Pediatric ED, a dedicated area for pediatric patients that serves over 16,000 patients per year. We anticipate that these coloring books will be available for our patients to use within the next month, and they will provide our patients with a fun, easy activity to distract themselves with while they are being treated in the ED.

As you know, Beth Israel is now a member of the Mount Sinai Health System, comprising seven hospital campuses across the New York metropolitan region. The system supports 3,751 total beds, 138 operating rooms, 12 free standing ambulatory surgical centers, approximately 6,600 physicians, more than 2,000 residents and fellows, and 35,000 employees. Across the system, inpatient admissions total 177,000 with 2.6 million outpatient visits, and more than 500,000 emergency room visits. Mount Sinai is ranked among the nation's top hospitals by U.S. News and National Report and ranks among the leaders' leaders in eight specialties including pediatric care. Mount Sinai Beth Israel patients will have access to clinicians and services across the system.

Our Pediatric Unit remains committed to providing Child Life Services to over 2,000 children per year. The Eugene Zitwer Foundation's support allows us to create spaces that allow our patients an escape from the hospital experience, relax and just be a "kid" — easing the anxiety and stress that is often associated with hospital visits and contributing to a more positive experience.

Our Child Life Program remains an invaluable resource for our pediatric patients and we thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

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