November 24, 2020

To: All School of Medicine faculty and staff
From: Dean David Perlmutter
Re: Appreciation for all you do

Colleagues,

Over and over again during the past eight months we have been amazed at your collective dedication and commitment as you have cared for St. Louis, maintained our missions and reorganized our daily operations. And we are all aware of the demands COVID-19 is presenting in the days and weeks ahead.

Your leaders in the Executive Faculty, School of Medicine and university cannot adequately express our appreciation for all that you have done — and continue to do — throughout this pandemic challenge. 2020 has certainly been a year like no other, and while we know there is still a way to go, we are hopeful that in coming months we will begin to see progress as science develops the tools to better combat this pandemic.

We have met together with the chancellor and university board committees and the Executive Faculty and are pleased to share that we will demonstrate a small token of our appreciation in the form of a cash gift that you will receive in your December paychecks.

We will provide $750 to all faculty and staff as an expression of our institutional heartfelt thanks for the challenges you have endured and those we will confront in the weeks ahead.

We note with our strong approval that our BJC partners have led the way in taking a similar step. These small steps only begin to demonstrate our recognition of the many contributions you make that establish this as such a special place. We continue to be inspired by your compassion, respect, excellence, safety and teamwork.

Thank you, for all that you do, each and every day, to improve the health and well-being of St. Louis with breakthroughs in science, education and innovation. Please take care of yourselves and your families, and Godspeed.

Sincerely,

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