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Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Doctor Lederberg:

The students were heartbroken that you couldn't come this Spring and they decided, therefore, to omit the subject in the hopes that you would come in the Fall.

In the meantime, I guess you or someone^{*} sent me your very interesting article on Health Care Costs Inflated by Dollars without Doctors. I thought you might like to see the article I did for the New York Times at their request not long ago. I am quite sure, myself, that simply maintaining the existing system by which we deliver medical care services will never solve the problem, so that in addition to the things that you list I would list the experimentation and evaluation of different ways of tackling the problem as high on the list. The quirk of the problems as you pointed out is that they have been putting in dollars, but have done nothing about the capacity to deliver health services.

Sincerely yours,

Leona Baumgartner
Leona Baumgartner, M.D.
Executive Director

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* Yes, it was I. Sorry not to have been more transparent; I had seen your NYT editorial and mailed this piece with that in mind. Sincerely, *Leona Baumgartner*