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Blazeman Foundation for ALS c/o Mr. Robert Blais, President & Mrs. Mary Ann Blais, Vice President 172 Marnoch Drive Seekonk, MA 02771-3812

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Blais:

It is my honor on behalf of the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) to share our profound gratitude with the Blazeman Foundation for ALS regarding its recent transformative commitments to the University of Maryland School of Medicine (UMSOM).

Your generous support of the Jonathan S. Blais ALS Research Fund is providing vital resources to the University of Maryland Brain and Tissue Bank, which will unquestionably facilitate future medical breakthroughs in the study of debilitating nervous system disorders like ALS.

In addition, your thoughtful establishment of the Jonathan S. Blais Lectureship in ALS Fund will ensure that generations of faculty, staff, students, and friends within UMSOM's Department of Neurology will continue to be inspired by Jonathan's courageous battle and fighting spirit.

Without a doubt, the Blazeman Foundation for ALS's philanthropic investment in UMSOM is a powerful catalyst in UMB's mission to improve the human condition and serve the public good of Maryland and society at-large.

Warm regards,

Bruce E. Jarrell, MD

President

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