## James L. Holly, M.D.

## Responses to the Aesculapian Laureate Society Dinner, UT Health San Antonio, May 11, 2017

**From:** Berggren, Ruth E Director, Center for Medical Humanities & Ethics UT Health San Antonio

Date: May 12, 2017 at 9:35:06 AM CDT

Dear Dr. Holly, I add my voice to all the accompanying hosts and guests: it was a privilege to be with you and to reflect on the inspiring example that you set for all of us. We are deeply grateful for all your many forms of support: the boundless moral and spiritual support that you uniquely share, and also the magnificently generous financial support, for many years! With great respect, Ruth

**From:** Henrich, William L President, UT Health San Antonio

Dear Larry, What a lovely evening, with you and Carolyn as our esteemed guests of honor. Heartfelt gratitude to you both, always. And thank you for sending your moving remarks at graduation last year --- words you clearly live by that are a compass for us. With affection, gratitude and admiration, Bill

**From:** "Rodriguez, Ronald" Interim Dean, Long School of Medicine UT Health San Antonio

Thank you so much. It was a wonderful evening and I was quite impressed with your stories, your giving heart and commitment to your patients. You are an inspiration to us all. Best wishes Ron

The following was my note to which the above were responses

From: James Holly Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 6:42 AM Cc: Carolyn Bellue Holly Subject: Thank you

This is my May, 2016 Commencement address to my undergraduate university. The two sections "make a life," and "pay your debt," are relevant to our dinner last night.

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I do not have the words to express what last night meant to me and to Carolyn. I thank each of you and all of you for this great gift.

As I approach my 74th birthday, I am filled with gratitude. When I was Alumni President of the School of Medicine, I envisioned the alumni giving 10 million dollars over ten years to the school. This morning I awoke with the dream, "what if...". Could it be? I would never have. imagine last night. Why not a bigger dream?

Sincerely and gratefully,

Larry and Carolyn

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