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Dr. William E. Thornton
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Dear Bill:

The purpose of this letter is to give you some positive response. The idea of now organizing an M.D. group from current users to develop initial basic standards for interpretation of ambulatory blood pressure data from around-the-clock blood pressure recordings appears to me to be timely and appropriate. I will do whatever is reasonable to support your endeavor and will establish a fund for certain expenses. Since the activity is proposed for medical guidance and Del Mar Avionics does not practice medicine or drug application, I see no conflict of interest in being the support institution.

I agree that your endeavor must be accredited through sponsorship by a local, regional or national chapter of American Heart or the American College of Cardiology. I suggest you choose your route carefully to meet your long-range purposes. Following are reference contacts of persons we have seen active in American Heart, who are also users of our Pressurometers:

Dr. Michael Weber is President-Elect of Orange County Heart Association and his associate, Dr. Jan I.M. Drayer, is now in charge of the Hypertension Section of the Orange County Heart Association (213/498-1313, Extension 2047).

The Council for High Blood Pressure Research, headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio (Dr. Ray Gifford, 216/444-6764), has now affiliated itself with the American Heart Association in cooperation with the Northeast Ohio AHA affiliate. The council was instrumental in originating the Journal of Hypertension under the American Heart Association. They sponsor clinical programs, annual post graduate courses on hypertension, in cooperation with host medical institutions and local heart associations. Membership costs \$35.00 per year through AHA in Dallas.

You have already contacted some of the following, who are either users of our Pressurometers or national figures with regard to hypertension:

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Dr. Sheldon Sheps, Mayo School of Medicine
(507/284-3591)

Dr. Tom Pickering, Cornell Medical School
(212/472-8300)

Dr. Hal Kennedy, Long Beach Memorial Hospital Medical Center
Affiliate: University of California at Irvine
(213/595-2477)

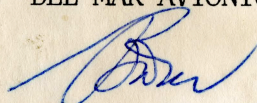
Dr. Walter Kirkendall, U.T.M.B., Houston, Health Science Center
(713/792-5110)

Dr. Peter L. Frommer, National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute
National Institute of Health
(301/496-1078)

Let me know how your plan develops and what I can do to assist.

Sincerely,

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Bruce Del Mar
President

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