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Dear Claude,

Thank you for meeting with us on November 18 to renew discussions of our interest in developing a retirement center on the Centennial Campus. We are excited about the prospects for a center, and we appreciate your positive response to our proposal.

This is a formal request from the Association of Retired Faculty (ARF) for the initiation of the planning process for such a facility on the Centennial Campus. If the project is determined to be feasible through a feasibility study, then it would be logical to follow through with site selection and general planning.

There are a number of reasons why we feel the timing is appropriate to construct a retirement center on Centennial Campus:

1. Retired faculty and staff comprise a large component of the university family and a significant number of these individuals will likely seek residence in a retirement center at some time in their lives. ARF has a mailing list of 650, and the inclusion of alumni and friends of the university as potential residents would increase this number significantly.

2. Centennial Campus is intended to represent a balance between academic, industrial and residential environments so a retirement center would fit in well with the general concept of the Centennial Campus. The construction of a center would also demonstrate the University’s desire to provide an attractive living environment for its senior members.

3. There are many fine retirement centers in the Triangle Area, but Raleigh lacks a comprehensive facility of the quality of Carolwoods, The Forest at Duke or Carolina Meadows. The number of retirees in our community would surely appear to support a facility of this caliber.

4. The Centennial Campus is an attractive location for a retirement center. It combines convenient access to university and community facilities with an open and attractive environment.
We envision a retirement center that would include a mix of cottage and apartment residences with a medical facility to accommodate individuals with infirmities. There would be a dining facility and rooms for crafts or hobbies, plus close access to a campus transportation system. The facility would hopefully be within walking distance of the shops proposed for the Centennial Campus lake area and include other desirable amenities such as an indoor pool, exercise facilities, and a library. The close proximity to the University would also allow close ties to university programs such as Encore and enhance volunteer activities by retired faculty through the university.

We look forward to working with you on this project. We will be pleased to assist with the planning process through surveys of retired faculty or input on the management or organization of the center.

Sincerely yours,

[Signatures]

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