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Dear Dana-Farber Supporter,

It is my pleasure to inform you about the latest edition of Dana-Farber's *Paths of Progress* magazine. This issue highlights the defining role played by patients in the Institute's ability to deliver its total signature patient care. In this time of financial uncertainty, we are reminded that no economic news is as bad as the news that brings patients to us.

For more than 60 years, it has been our vision to eradicate cancer and the fear it engenders. We have been relentless in our pursuit and the fruits of our collaborative approach are now being realized. As of September 30, 2008, *Mission Possible: The Dana-Farber Campaign to Conquer Cancer*, has raised \$887 million toward our \$1 billion campaign goal.

Thanks to your professional assistance, Dana-Farber acknowledged nearly \$30 million in realized bequests and life income gifts over the past three years. With your help, we can continue to deliver comprehensive and compassionate patient care while fervently seeking to understand the biology and genetic components that will lead us to turn the corner on cancer.

On behalf of our patients and their families—the true beneficiaries of your work—thank you for your important contributions to our lifesaving mission.

Sincerely,



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