

Chairman of the Board



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This was a year of transition as we built a strong leadership team and planned for a broader representation on the Board of Trustees. With Bill Ghriskey as head of the Investment Committee, Skip Branin as Treasurer, Mary Anne Hastings as Secretary/Executive Director, Dan Bayly as Fundraising Chair, Diane Mayer as Annual Giving Chair, Jim Runde as Audit Committee Chair, and Susie Tinsley, Liz Verney, John Jackoboice and Peter Powell heading our Auction and Golf committees, respectively, we are in a strong position to take the Foundation forward. We are excited to welcome Mary Howell as our Chair of Endowment Gifts this fall.

We are also responding to the changes in our donor base. As newer residents seek to support the mission of the Clinic, we are responding with a refined message and better online access to our mission and financial needs. I hope you will visit our new website soon to see the changes we have made.

We have made substantial progress on our \$5 million capital campaign and hope to complete it this year. The two commercial and three residential properties held by our organizations are being updated through this effort, including the recently completed renovation on the Clinic “Annex” building. We are grateful to the families who have committed to the campaign.

We fully appreciate that our donors value the high-quality services provided by our Clinic as well as the services available through the independent healthcare providers in the Annex building. While currently in a strong financial position, the Foundation is undertaking a long-range plan to ensure that we have sufficient funding to support any future plans the Clinic may have.

We have also added over 20 families to our Healthnetwork Membership through this campaign. This is a valuable recognition of our appreciation to those who make major donations to the Foundation from \$25,000 to over \$500,000. This membership offers access to the most prestigious medical institutions in the U.S. including: NY Hospital for Special Surgery, Cleveland Clinic, Dana Farber, Mayo Clinic, Johns Hopkins, MD Anderson among others. You will find more on this important partnership on page 4.

This year the Foundation needs to raise approximately \$2.8 million to support both the Clinic operation and our own expenses. We do this through a combination of Annual Gifts, Special Events and increases in the portfolio. Through the outstanding efforts of Diane Mayer, our Annual Fund has topped \$1 million the past two years. We are grateful for all of you who support us this way. Susie Tinsley, Liz Verney and their auction team and Dan Bayley and John Jackoboice worked hard this year to revamp our auction and golf structure and to reach out to many of our newer residents for their support. The results were outstanding. The combined events brought in over \$420,000.

The Foundation’s strong financial and leadership position enables us to ensure the Clinic can provide high quality, convenient healthcare to the Boca Grande Community. If you aren’t already a supporter, I hope you will consider a gift today.

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