Champions of Their Community
Dear Friends,

The devotion of the people of Emanate Health has always been remarkable. Over the past several months, the people we rely on indefinitely, those we refer to as our “health care heroes” – clinicians and employees at every level, volunteers, benefactors and board members – have risen to new heights, giving the gift of their talent and resources during the most trying of times. These are the true champions and this, my friends, is the definition of resilience.

The outpouring of support from our community during this unprecedented time has been nothing short of astounding. At a time when many are struggling themselves, you have continued to come through for Emanate Health, providing over $400,000 in funds and in-kind gifts toward COVID-19 relief efforts – including more than 140,000 surgical masks, 30,000 N95 masks and 6,000 face shields. While we may have a way to go before the pandemic is behind us, our heroes continue to show up day after day, week after week, despite what they have been through, to care for our community.

Now let me introduce you to some of our heroes here at Emanate Health Foundation. Philanthropists Chris and Retha Champion, featured on the cover, have experienced the impact of these times firsthand, yet continue to step up despite adversity. While their local theater has been shuttered for months, the Champions still graciously funded Inter-Community Hospital’s new K9 Unit in the spirit of giving back to their community. Board Trustee Pat Serio overcame personal hardship and has made it her mission to give her time and resources in support of several worthy causes, including Emanate Health Foundation. And finally, Miss Joyce Chapman – a beloved community member whom we lost this year – had the foresight to bestow part of her estate to us when it was needed most. These are but a few instances of heroism.

While our clinical care team continues to keep our patients well in body, mind and spirit, our administrative team moves forward with capital projects that make it all possible. Plans are underway for a partnership to enhance our cancer care, expand capacity for ambulatory and urgent care services, while we continue raising funds to improve Queen of the Valley Hospital’s Emergency Department – and each project is an opportunity for your support.

You are making a difference and I am so thankful for this devotion. We rely on you to help us keep moving forward and trust you will remain an Emanate Health Champion.

With Gratitude,

Michelle Stoddard
CEO, Emanate Health Foundation

NOTE FROM EMANATE HEALTH FOUNDATION CEO
MICHELLE STODDARD

GIVING SPOTLIGHT
A Legacy of Giving

THE NEW K9 SECURITY UNIT
Expected to debut early next year, Emanate Health Inter-Community Hospital’s new K9 Unit will provide an extra layer of safety to hospital security efforts. The breed of dog tasked with the job, Belgian Malinois, is commonly used as law enforcement and military dogs and is good support in times of crisis.

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“Having this highly trained dog present often adds a level of calm, which can help diffuse situations that pose a security risk,” explained George Diaz, Corporate Director of Safety, Security, Central Transportation and PBX for Emanate Health.

Previously, the K9 Unit utilized at Emanate Health Queen of the Valley Hospital had been shared among the two hospitals until the Champions so generously provided funding for a unit dedicated to Emanate Health Inter-Community Hospital.

Both the dog and officer will go through an extensive three-month training program in preparation for their post, perfecting voice commands among the pair. With a retrofitted Ford Explorer, the new K9 Unit will patrol throughout the hospital to keep patients, families and visitors safe, focusing primarily on high-traffic areas, such as the Emergency Department and Behavioral Health, among others.

“Everyone [on the Emanate Health staff] is so professional, it’s easy to talk to them, and they just do such a fantastic job for all of us,” Chris and Retha explained.

In explaining their guiding vision for their Foundation, Chris and Retha noted, “When we’re long gone, the Champion Family Foundation will still be in existence. We want to create an energy that will continue to do good for the community.”

Given all they have done for the community – and for Emanate Health Inter-Community Hospital – the Champions’ legacy will live on for generations to come.
Born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio, Ms. Serio had an exceptionally difficult childhood. “Until I was 33, I had to have water, crackers and a blanket at the end of my bed,” Pat recalled, “because my mother didn’t show up when I was hungry, cold or thirsty.” With a mother who suffered from a mental health disorder and was absent for most of her formative years, Pat’s father was granted sole custody of her and her brother in 1952, which was exceptionally rare at the time.

**TRUSTEE PROFILE: PAT SERIO**

Winning Against All Odds

Emanate Health Foundation Board

Trustee Pat Serio is a woman before her time whose success was won against all odds.

**REQUIRED MINIMUM DISTRIBUTIONS SUSPENDED**

The new law temporarily suspends the requirements for required minimum distributions (RMD) for the 2020 tax year. This probably comes as a relief to many who would have had to withdraw from retirement accounts. Many donors use their RMD to make a gift from their IRA. Despite the RMD suspension, remember that if you are 70½ or older, you can still make a gift from your IRA or name Emanate Health Foundation as a beneficiary.

**WHY A GIFT FROM YOUR IRA MAY STILL BE A GOOD IDEA**

- Your gift will be put to use today, allowing you to see the difference your donation is making.
- You pay no income taxes on the gift. The transfer generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction, so you benefit even if you do not itemize your deductions.
- Since the gift doesn’t count as income, it can reduce your annual income level. This may help lower your Medicare premiums and decrease the amount of Social Security that is subject to tax.

**NEW TAX INCENTIVES**

The CARES Act expands charitable giving incentives and allows taxpayers who take the standard deduction to make up to $300 of charitable contributions to qualified charities this year. You might think that this is a small amount and would not make a difference. But what if all of our donors gave “just” $300? Such support would have a huge impact to those we serve in the San Gabriel Valley.

For those who do itemize their deductions, the new law allows for cash contributions to qualified charities, such as Emanate Health Foundation, to be deducted up to 100% of your adjusted gross income for the 2020 calendar year.

For more information, please contact Michelle Stoddard with Emanate Health Foundation at 626.814.2421.
They moved to California when Pat was 15, and she enrolled in Covina High School. Ambitious from a young age, Pat was an honor roll student. She met and later married the boy next door at the age of 19 and gave birth to their son three years later. Thereafter, Pat was hired by Los Angeles Die Mold as an office assistant and soon learned how to run the business from the ground up. The couple later started a plastics molding business together, Serco Mold, when Pat was 31. Then in 1983, her marriage ending, left with no health insurance or paycheck, both Pat’s father and Aunt Gertrude – whom had been like a mother figure – passed away.

### STRENGTH IN THE FACE OF HEARTBREAK

Despite each heartbreak, Pat summoned strength from the resilience modeled by her father and beloved aunt. “I finally had to turn and fight, instead of being the victim,” Pat recalled. “The company was my baby, too.” That fight turned into a battle for the business that they had built together over 14 years. Pat successfully ended up buying her husband out of the business. During the proceedings, she recalled the judge repeating, “The wife is taking the business?” over and over in disbelief.

“When I took that company over, my feet didn’t touch the ground for at least two weeks,” shared Pat. “It’s such an exhilaration to win.” That triumph in 1985 would be the catalyst of many more in the years to come, while the business grew from just a few employees to upwards of 50.

For example, Pat recently published a book titled *Lady You’ve Got Balls* detailing her years as the only female CEO in the tooling molding industry and is now working on a second book recounting her tumultuous childhood.

### A GENEROUS HEART

Driven by the turmoil she experienced as a child, her sense of empathy and faith, Pat gives generously of her time and resources to causes that touch her heart. “I was always sympathetic to everybody and grateful to be alive,” explained Pat. “My prayer when I go to church is, ‘Thank you, Lord, for all your blessings, and use me to thy purpose.’” Years before her success, Pat became aware of an organization that provides shelter for homeless children called Covenant House LA from a newspaper article and began donating $2 a month – all she could afford in 1968. Today she is a board member.

A devout Catholic, Pat also donates significantly to Saint Louise De Marillac Catholic Church in Covina and gives to the Salvation Army and dog shelters as well. “I was always sympathetic to everybody,” Pat shared. “I’ve been trying to rescue the whole world, but it’s a little more than one person can do.”

### PERSPECTIVE ON EMANATE HEALTH

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– Pat Serio

Explaining her inspiration for contributing to Emanate Health, Pat relaid, “They are very professional; everything is well done. I like that it’s a self-sustaining entity.”

After all she has accomplished, we are grateful to have a warrior like Pat Serio in our corner, in support of Emanate Health.

For ideas on how you can support Emanate Health, visit www.emanatehealth.org/foundation
Miss Joyce Chapman was known as a wonderful storyteller who loved to laugh—and her heart was devoted to her community.

A LEGACY OF GIVING
As a testament to her generosity and legacy of giving, Miss Chapman included Emanate Health Inter-Community Hospital in her will before she passed away. Upon completion of the new emergency department in 2016, Emanate Health named the lobby of the emergency department in her honor—the Joyce M. Chapman Lobby—as an expression of our immense gratitude. Estate planning is a wonderful way to leave a legacy in support of the organizations you hold dear. To learn more about including Emanate Health in your estate plan, visit www.emanatehealth.org/plannedgiving.

A LIFE WELL LIVED
Miss Chapman was known for her kind-hearted nature, which undoubtedly contributed to her success in business. She frequented the Racquet Club in Palm Springs, was a member of the Disciples of Christ Church and the Kiwanis Club, and was active with the Chapman University Foundation. In her later years, Miss Chapman spent her time at the South Hills Country Club in West Covina. Never one to spend time in the kitchen, she ate lunch and dinner there daily—her morning oatmeal with orange juice being the extent of her cooking.

The Heart of the Community

Miss Joyce Chapman was a woman before her time. Miss Chapman focused her energy on education and a successful career in lieu of marriage and family. Her magnetic personality and joy for life shone through to all who knew her.

“She had so much fun; every time you saw her, she laughed heartily about something,” recalled Margaret Dearth, personal friend and trusted advisor to Miss Chapman. “I think that was part of her longevity.”

THE CHAPMAN FAMILY
Miss Chapman’s family was prominent in the region, most notably having founded Chapman University. Born in Covina in 1920, she was raised near the town’s seven-bed hospital founded in 1922, which would later become Emanate Health Inter-Community Hospital. Miss Chapman was deeply devoted to her family who, despite their prosperity, stayed true to their roots remaining in Covina.

Miss Chapman’s grandfather was Frank Marion Chapman, brother of Charles Clarke Chapman, who is Chapman University’s namesake. The two brothers moved from Illinois to California in the 1890s. Frank Chapman and his family resided at Palmetto Grove, an 80-acre estate and citrus ranch that was located at Cypress and Grand Avenue in Covina.

At the time, Covina was a small, close-knit community of mostly orange ranches like that of Miss Chapman’s grandfather. Church, civic duties and family were important to the Chapmans, as well as education. Miss Chapman’s father graduated from USC Law School, later practicing law in addition to citrus farming on the family ranch. Miss Chapman obtained a two-year degree from Citrus Junior College before briefly attending the University of Hawaii after visiting her brother, stationed in the Army Air Corps there. She returned to Chapman College for a semester before earning a bachelor’s degree and teaching credential from the University of La Verne. Later, she received a high school teaching credential from the University of California, Los Angeles. Miss Chapman was a teacher for five years before moving to Palm Springs where she developed and sold real estate for more than 25 years.

Miss Chapman’s legacy of philanthropy for organizations such as Emanate Health and Chapman University, among others, not to mention her endearing laugh and love for music, will live on far beyond her time with us.
OUR MISSION: Emanate Health exists to help people keep well in body, mind and spirit by providing quality health care services in a safe, compassionate environment. RESPECT. EXCELLENCE. COMPASSION. INTEGRITY. STEWARDSHIP.

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EMANATE HEALTH FOUNDATION’S AUTUMN NOCTURNE

Successfully Reimagined as a Drive-In Event

Observing distancing guidelines during a global pandemic, Emanate Health Foundation successfully reimagined the 31st Annual Autumn Nocturne by hosting a drive-in event on October 17 at Covina District Field to honor the health care heroes of Emanate Health. Thanks to the Autumn Nocturne Planning Committee led by Rebecca Bettfreund, the evening was spectacular as 150 guests participated in a welcome tribute to health care heroes. Representatives from across the Emanate Health system were in attendance. The event also included a short program, online auction, movie snacks with Emanate Health swag, and a showing of the classic film A League of Their Own.

Special gratitude goes to all the event sponsors and donors, including the Super Hero Sponsors: The Bettfreund Family, Medic-1 Ambulance, and North-West College. The evening raised $128,957 to support Emanate Health’s COVID-19 Relief Fund. For more photos and information on the event, visit www.emanatehealth.org/autumnnocturne.

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