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Dear Friend,

Several years ago, my mother was diagnosed with Vascular Dementia. Seeing my mother suffering from this devastating disease has been one of the biggest heartbreaks of my life. At the time, there were very few resources or support systems to guide us as a family through the next few years.

Recently, my father-in-law was also diagnosed with Vascular Dementia. Under the care of Delta Hospital’s new Geriatrician Dr. Katalin Balogh, he was carefully monitored and our family was given tools and techniques aimed at preserving his quality of life. This allowed him to live at home for much longer than originally anticipated.

My family and I like to say that this hospital wraps its arms around seniors in our community. We’ve felt it, as a family. And I see it each and every day when I come to work.

At Delta Hospital, the dedicated staff cares for patients at all ages and stages of life. In fact, our senior population was a focus right from the start — Mountain View Manor welcomed its first residents in 1977, setting a high standard for warm, collaborative care.

And as medical advances continue to add years to people’s lives, Delta Hospital continues to provide care that strengthens quality of life.

The Specialized Seniors Clinic — for patients with issues around mobility and balance, memory problems and complex medical conditions — embodies this approach.

“Our team supports patients and caregivers in very practical ways,” explains the Clinic’s — and Delta’s only — Geriatrician, Dr. Katalin Balogh. “We take the time to understand each patient’s situation, we make a detailed action plan that serves their quality of life and we follow up to make sure it works in practice. There’s a lot we can do now for patients with dementia. Lifestyle changes and memory tools help maintain function and slow the disease’s progress. And when patients aren’t able to come to the clinic, we make home visits.”

This is the kind of expert, compassionate care that I’m asking you to support today. Your donation will truly ‘pay it forward’, by funding healthcare that could benefit your family, your friends and, quite possibly, yourself.

Your support of Delta Hospital means everything to us. **Today, please consider making a special donation to support excellent senior care close to home.** Your generosity is what enables Delta Hospital and Community Health Foundation to provide the best possible care now and in the future.



It is Fraser Health's belief that home is best. Keeping people healthy, safe and active in their homes, for as long as possible, is a top priority. And when a higher level of care is needed, Delta Hospital's Mountain View Manor offers comprehensive residential care.



Residents of Mountain View Manor live in comfortable, home-like surroundings, with a beauty salon, recreation and music therapy programs, a Serenity Garden, spiritual care and a resident cat. Donor dollars have funded the addition of a well-equipped exercise therapy room, two spa-like bathing rooms, and most recently, an-end-of-life room.

“What sets us apart? Quite simply, our staff honestly cares,” says Louise Setchell, Manager of Mountain View, Diabetes Clinic and Specialized Seniors Clinic. “They take the time to know each resident. And we take pride in involving family members — we rely on them, just as they rely on us.”

Delta resident Neil has seen the staff's dedication firsthand. Since his mother, Kay, became a resident of Mountain View Manor three years ago, he has gotten to know the staff well and considers them extended family. They talk with Neil about Kay's dementia, and more importantly, help him and his family separate the Mom he knows from the disease. Neil says it's a blessing having his mother so close to him and his aging father because he knows Kay has family with her every day.

As you know, Delta has one of the oldest populations in Fraser Health, with seniors making up 15 to 20% of the population — a figure that's expected to rise to 41% by 2024. I'm proud

of how Delta Hospital is expanding services to care for this valued population. Right now, for example, we're developing a business case with Fraser Health for a new and unique residential care facility that will provide both residential care and home health services.

Whether our senior patients live in their home or in Mountain View Manor, the hospital staff is working to make sure their final years are the very best they can be. **I believe this is healthcare at its finest.**

Please give today, so we can continue to provide this remarkable standard of care for our community.

On behalf of Delta Hospital, thank you!

Sincerely,

Lisa Hoglund
Executive Director

P.S. Recently, one of her patient's caregivers told Dr. Balogh, "Thanks to you and this clinic, I don't feel like I'm in the dark anymore." Your donation to Delta Hospital will enable our medical professionals to continue to shine a light on the potential and possibility in every patient's life. Please give generously today!

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