

December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Dear Friends,

*With this letter, I would like to talk to you about Dr. Greenberg and let you know that, from January first of the New Year, he will not be working for Johns Hopkins any more.*

*He has the important job of opening a Transverse Myelitis center at the South Western Medical Center in Dallas, which will be the second in the world.*

*The first one, as you might already know, was the one that Dr. Douglas Kerr opened many years ago at Johns Hopkins.*

*While he is from Texas originally, Dr. Greenberg has been working in Baltimore for quite some time and now, with the opportunity of opening the TM center and then of becoming the new Director of the Multiple Sclerosis Center at South Western, he will be going back to his native state.*

*Obviously, I was quite disappointed when he told me that he was leaving and I appreciated the fact that he let me know of his move in person while I was getting my rehab done at the International Center for Spinal Cord Injury at Kennedy Krieger, few steps away from Johns Hopkins.*

*He found the time to meet me and he kindly told me about his decision to make such a big move and go back to Texas.*

*As you might recall me mentioning before, Dr. Greenberg has been my doctor for the past year and he has been an incredible help and a wonderful and caring doctor that I will certainly miss in the future.*

*During some of our conversations and in some of his e-mails, Dr. Greenberg told me that South Western and Johns Hopkins will collaborate and work closely together in many future research studies.*

*He also offered to put a link on the South Western website that would bring others directly to my Flowes4MS site to allow more people to know about what I am doing to raise funds and to learn more about Project Restore.*

*This is very exciting and I truly hope that this will help us raise additional funds and bring us closer to a cure.*

*Right after giving me this news, Dr. Greenberg made sure to tell me that he had something he thought would make me happy.*

*I felt that he was really trying to cheer me up and, once again, I appreciated his kind spirit and his way of caring for what I was feeling at the moment.*

*He told me that my next Doctor was going to be Peter Calabresi, who is not only the Director of the Multiple Sclerosis Center, but he is also the person that inspired me to choose Johns Hopkins as the institution to support.*

*If everything goes well, I will be able to meet him for the first time at the end of March. It is kind of funny that I got to meet Dr. Greenberg and Dr. Kerr, but that I haven't been able to even say hi to Dr. Calabresi! He was never around when I was there and this is probably because he is always so busy working hard on doing his best to find a cure for MS!*

*I remember the moment of sadness I felt when I heard the news of Dr. Greenberg leaving Johns Hopkins, but I am able to see that, with this, came something positive too: my next doctor will be another good and caring one and I will be able to be in good hands once again.*

*I would like to wish Dr. Greenberg the best of luck with his new role at South Western.  
I will miss him and I will keep in touch!*

*Angela*