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April 2, 1968

Mr. Clarence King  
Chairman  
Duval County Hospital Authority  
1604 Gulf Tower  
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Mr. King:

The Ad Hoc Committee for the Improvement of Duval Medical Center met on March 26, 1968 at the Duval Medical Center. The following recommendations were approved:

1. This committee recommend to the Hospital Authority that an outside industrial consulting firm be hired to analyze the financial as well as other problems concerned with Duval Medical Center and to make firm suggestions.
2. The salaries of full-time men must be budgeted by the Hospital Authority on a realistic basis and not become dependent upon nebulous outside sources.
3. There must be an immediate re-evaluation of beds, allocation by services, geared to the educational programs planned.
4. Request the Hospital Authority to get Urban Renewal to acquire property surrounding the hospital complex..
5. Request the Hospital Authority to:
  - a) widen 8th Street.
  - b) acquire the grounds up to the expressway.
6. The present Public Relations set-up is admirable, but should be strenghtened and made full-time.
7. This group backs, with enthusiasm, the activities of the Hospital Authority in negotiations with the Civil Service Board. The attitudes of the Hospital Authority have the complete endorsement of this group.

The members of this committee request that the Hospital Authority act on these recommendations as soon as possible. It is refreshing and stimulating to witness enthusiasm and willingness to work exhibited by the members of this committee. We will always appreciate any advise from the Hospital Authority.

We wish to assure you of our willingness to cooperate and work with you toward making **DMC** a truly great medical center.

Sincerely yours,

G. Dekle Taylor, M.D.  
Chairman  
Ad Hoc Committee

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