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Dear patients and friends,

It is with very mixed emotions that I am writing this letter. I have been practicing dentistry for over 43 years and the time has come to retire. It has been an honor and a privilege to be your dentist. What a blessing it has been for me being part of your lives! I so appreciate the trust and confidence you have placed in me over the many years.

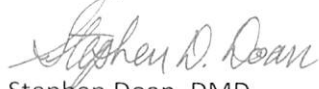
Until recently I have not had a definite plan regarding retirement. A short time ago, however, I met Dr. Marie Moeckel, who immediately impressed me as a highly qualified, mature, enthusiastic, and caring dentist who shares my patient-centered philosophy and my desire for excellence. Marie is a graduate of the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry, and has been practicing in the field for 16 years. During that time, she has focused her continuing education tract to develop a comprehensive approach to dental care that produces lasting, functional, and beautiful smiles tailored to her patient's needs. Communication is the foundation of her philosophy; collaborative care is essential to success, and working together with her patients to help them achieve and maintain their optimal oral health is her ultimate goal.

Dr. Moeckel has two boys, the eldest of which will be attending NAU this fall, while her youngest will be entering high school. Outside of work and family, Marie is an avid triathlete. She is a two-time Ironman, and most recently, she ran the Boston Marathon.

Our plan is to officially transition the practice to Dr. Moeckel starting September 1st. She will be doing the dentistry but I have offered to work closely with her and the staff to ensure a smooth and seamless transition of your care. I have also promised to remain available to consult with her regarding all aspects of the practice. I will be in the office finishing certain work that was started prior to the transition, so you may very well see me if you visit the office over the next few weeks.

Again, a heartfelt thank you for all of your valued support and friendship through the years. My body won't miss the rigors of dentistry, but my heart will miss all of you! God bless you!

Sincerely,


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