Dear colleagues,

As you know, I will be retiring as dean of the Henry M. Goldman School of Dental Medicine, effective March 31, 2021, so this will be the last “Friday memo” that I send to you. It is a bittersweet moment for me: While I am very excited about this next phase of my life, serving as dean of our school has been the greatest honor of my career. It has been such a privilege to work and learn alongside each of you, and I will always treasure my time at this school. Thank you all for being such wonderful colleagues and friends – I will miss you all.

I do have one important update to share with you this week, so please read on for details.

Patient Elevators
We will be hitting an important milestone in our Addition & Renovation Construction project next week, as we are anticipating that the newly renovated existing elevators will be available for use by GSDM patients and visitors on Monday morning, March 29, 2021. Once these elevators, which are immediately adjacent to the 635 Albany Street patient reception area, are in use, we will be able to re-structure the foot traffic through the building’s first floor in the way the space was originally designed: Patients and visitors will use the Albany Street entrance and the associated elevators, while all GSDM community members (faculty, staff, students and residents) will continue to enter and exit the building via the East Newton Street entrance and will have exclusive use of the elevators adjacent to the auditorium. Having all four elevators back in use will dramatically improve the flow throughout the building, and is an exciting moment in our Addition & Renovation Construction Project.

In closing, Mrs. Hutter and I continue to keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers. I hope you and your loved ones continue to stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,
Dean Hutter