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Dear Sean:

Sean, it is hard for me to believe that we have been working together since 2005 on the Hope Lodge Project in Los Angeles. I remember during the interview process when I first met you how your firm stood out from the other Project Manager candidates. Your presentation made the decision easy for our Hope Lodge Selection Committee to select S.L. Leonard & Associates as our Project Manager. Time has shown that we made the right decision.

As the Hope Lodge Director of the American Cancer Society, I have come to rely on your, and your associate, Linda Mele's, counsel and expertise. To start, you made the hiring process for an architectural firm simple and effective from the pre-qualified firms you recommended, to composing the RFQ, and to overseeing the actual selection of the architect.

For me, your expertise in analyzing potential Hope Lodge sites by performing the necessary due diligence actions, providing estimates for numerous building configurations, and coordinating the various consultants was invaluable. We were able to evaluate and decide on various sites in the Los Angeles area with confidence due to the information you provided including a proposed project budget that was comprehensive and vetted.

What I particularly appreciated was how well you kept in communication with me and other American Cancer Society representatives, both staff and volunteers. So many times, you anticipated situations and the need for information that could have hindered our project if you had not pointed out necessary actions. As a result, you are seen as a team member and your decisions well respected by those in our organization.

I will miss working with you and your associates as I retire from the American Cancer Society. But I am confident that with your expertise in project management along with your people skills, the project will move ahead smoothly.

Thank you for everything. I hope I to see you at the groundbreaking.

Sincerely,

Alexis Okumura  
Region Vice President, Hope Lodge Director

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