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Dear Dr. Dascombe,

It's always an unspeakable gift when a doctor approaches his patient with huge dose of what Sir William Osler referred to as *Aequanimitas*. In its full development, it has the nature of a divine gift, a blessing to the possessor and a comfort to all who come in contact with him. As you know, Osler regarded this calmness amid storm as the premier quality of a good physician.

I walked out of your office today grateful for all your years of training and practice. I was relieved that I had not somehow damaged my scalp with a fairly busy schedule a few days after the sizable graft was implanted. Sometime during your visit, your confidence and peace of mind moved from you to me and calmed my fearful heart. And I am grateful.

On a lighter note, if you hear that someone on Whitemarsh Island being spotted taking out the trash walking in slow-motion, it's me.

All the Best,

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