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Mrs. Joan Rietz
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Dear Joan,

The gift from the Heritage Highlands Women's Golf Association to the Arizona Cancer Center from the sales of your wonderful cookbook represents a generous commitment to helping our physicians and scientists achieve success in cancer research.

Your investment provides a reliable source of funding that transforms cutting-edge research into new treatments, helps our faculty train the next generation of oncologists and scientists, and most importantly, your gift provides hope to families facing a cancer diagnosis.

Your recent and past unrestricted support has been dedicated to two important areas within the Arizona Cancer Center. The first is research within the laboratory of Dr. Thomas Brown, a physician scientist at the Arizona Cancer Center. Dr. Brown focuses on gastrointestinal (GI) cancers such as esophageal, pancreatic and colon. Your support helps him study new ways to identify GI cancers sooner so we can reduce the incidence and mortality from GI cancers.

The second area is support of the patient advocacy program and patient navigator, Ardie Delforge. Ardie is a registered nurse whose singular task is to comfort and aid every patient seen at the Arizona Cancer Center at UMC North. Ardie has been with us for more than 25 years and in that time, has become a beloved and invaluable part of our family. Your support makes a patient's experience highly individualize. Because of you, Ardie can help a patient navigate the complicated array of appointments and identify the resources necessary to support the patient and the family during and after cancer treatment.

The success of the Arizona Cancer Center is a collaborative effort made by people who share the common goal of eradicating cancer. Your support will spur solutions, treatments and cures that today we can only imagine. Your partnership in this effort is deeply and sincerely appreciated.

Warmest regards,



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