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Dear Dr. Watt:

We, the staff of the Ph.D. Program in Gerontology (hereinafter the Graduate Center for Gerontology), would like to express our full support for the transfer of the Center from the Graduate School to the College of Public Health.

After careful review of the Memorandum of Understanding, we feel that such a transfer would be the most advantageous to the future of our program. We look forward with enthusiasm to the opportunities that this transfer will undoubtedly provide us, and also to a new administrative relationship between Gerontology and Public Health.

This letter, signed by all five staff members of the Ph.D. Program in Gerontology, provides support for the renaming of the Program to the Graduate Center for Gerontology, and for the transfer of our administrative home from the Graduate School to a new College of Public Health.

Sincerely,

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