Hood College

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Mr. & Mrs. Harold Weisberg 7627 Old Receiver Road Frederick, Maryland 21702

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Weisberg:

Congratulations! It is my great pleasure to let you know you are eligible to be a charter member of the newly established Hood College Pergola Society.

You are one of approximately 200 alums and friends of Hood College who have informed the College that they have made provisions for Hood in their wills. Bequests and other planned gifts are critically important to the future of the College. So, to express our gratitude for the foresight you already have shown, and to encourage others to follow your example, the Board of Trustees has created a recognition society for those who have included Hood in their wills.

You soon will be receiving a formal invitation to join the Pergola Society, in which you will be asked simply to confirm that you have made provisions for the College in your estate plans. Of course, we realize that this confirmation will not be binding. But it is extremely helpful to Hood, in planning for the future, to have an indication from those who have made such plans.

As a member of the Pergola Society, you will receive a recognition pin and certificate, and will be listed in appropriate College publications. You may request to remain anonymous if you do not wish to have your name listed. The gift alums expect to include in their wills also will be reported as a part of the total class reunion gift.

Nationally, gifts via estates are the second largest source of funds received by charitable institutions and tax-exempt organizations, second only to annual giving. Hood has benefitted greatly from such gifts in recent years, enabling the College to establish scholarship funds and support special projects that otherwise would not have been possible. It is particularly gratifying to know that plans made decades ago by those who cared about this College are directly benefitting the students of today, just as your planned gift will benefit the students of tomorrow.

Thank you for your commitment to Hood. I look forward to welcoming you officially as a Pergola Society charter member.

Sincerely.

Lois S. Harrison '45, Chair

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