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Dear Dr. Apple:

I am writing in support of the combined MD/MBA program between Thomas Jefferson University and the Lerner College of Business and Economics of the University of Delaware. Our joint efforts will allow the University of Delaware to offer its MBA program to students of Jefferson Medical College, Thomas Jefferson University.

The combined MD/MBA program will prepare students to be physician leaders who, whether in private practice or employed in hospitals or other healthcare enterprises, possess strong management and administrative skills necessary to assure excellence and credibility in these combined roles. The goal of the MD/MBA is to provide the knowledge, skills and tools necessary to achieve the highest levels of leadership in health care.

Sincerely,

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