RETIREMENT/RESIGNATION LETTER

FOR

KEN VANDERHYE

June 6, 2016

Board of Directors

Medi-Mex. Inc.

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Dear Medi-Mex. Board:

For the past twenty-six years, in various shapes, sizes, and incarnations, we, as the foundation and guiding light of Medi-Mex have met to discuss and navigate challenges, opportunities, goals, and intentions for the organization we began as a result of a powerful calling from God. It’s been said, “The most important service to others is in service to those who are not like you.” What failed to be mentioned is that through service, not only to we see ourselves reflected in the souls of those to whom we minister, if we are committed and compassionate, we also realize that we are all the same deep down inside. We are all human beings in the service of God. It is with this dedication to my faith in God and my trust in those around me that I have arrived at a very difficult juncture. I am submitting my resignation both as President of Medi-Mex and I am also announcing my retirement from the Medi-Mex Board of Directors.

As one of the original founders of this organization, and after serving as President since its inception back in 1990, I am sure you can understand that this action has not come suddenly, nor do I take this announcement lightly. Medi-Mex has been an integral and driving force for almost half of my life. I cannot imagine what lies beyond this mission, but I know that this is something that must be done. After many months of thought and prayerful consideration, I realize that it is imperative to continue to follow my conscience and my faith.

I have spent the past two years recruiting concerned, capable and compassionate individuals whom I feel are capable of contributing to the future health of our work while carrying forward our original mission inspired by Matthew 25: 35-40. And I know, the King will reply… and **HAS** replied, “Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters, you did for me.”

For the past twenty-six years it has been an honor and a privilege to have made many lasting friendships while serving God through this mission, both on the Board and on the ground in Mexico, however as significant changes have occurred with the Herrera’s selling their hospital and moving back to the United States as well as the multiple leadership changes at Welcome Home Orphanage, the Lord has lead me to realize it is time to move on to other opportunities.

It is my intention that the completion of my duties both on the Board and within the organization becomes effective as of our annual board meeting in September 2016. In order to effect a smooth changeover, and with the board’s approval, I would like to stay on until the end of the year to assist the new president and his or her transition for the good of the organization and its beneficiaries.

The past twenty-six years have been life changing for me. I have made some incredible friendships, I have witnessed the spectrum of humanity, from enduring horrendous conditions to being inspired by the valor of contribution, and I know that having partners like each one of you has been one of life’s great blessings. There is an expression that teaches us, “I am part of all that I have met.” I am honored to have been a part of all of you as well. With that, I want to acknowledge some people, without whom none of this would have ever been possible. I especially want to thank Jerry Cassity, a friend for over 50 years, for inviting me on a mission trip to Mexico back in 1990. On that trip, the Lord opened both of our eyes and hearts as we found our calling to support and aid the poor and underprivileged people that we saw in the work camps and fields. Upon our return to the states and with our newfound friendship with Rory Melendes, a nurse at Community Hospital, a vision for Medi-Mex was formed. With the help of a local attorney, James Molenaar, the paperwork was submitted and Medi-Mex. went from a vision to become a reality. Jim’s 26 years of dedication to our organization will always be greatly appreciated.

It is gratifying and humbling to say that the past 26 years have been productive and prosperous ones for Medi-Mex. I will continue to hold forth the prayer that the board maintains its mission to ask God’s blessing and guidance in the future as it has in the past. God has truly blessed us and I am confident He will continue to guide you so you will understand the direction He in which He is leading. With this in mind, you as the board, can look to the future with confidence that the opportunities and challenges you face can only be accomplished through Him.

Thank you for your partnership, humanity, generosity and faith.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Vanderhye

President, Medi-Mex. Inc.