

I appreciate your own interest in this matter, but then again, in view of your association with the Fight for Sight over the years, first as a director, then vice president and then president, an office you still hold despite your many other commitments—I can only say that this is an extension of the leadership you have already given in the effort to conquer blinding eye diseases.

With continued appreciation for your devotion to the cause of preventing blindness, and kind personal regards.

Sincerely,

MILDRED WEISENFELD,
Founder and Executive Director.

BASCOM PALMER EYE INSTITUTE,
Miami, Fla., February 29, 1966.

HON. HERBERT TENZER,
*House Office Building,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. TENZER: I have been impressed with the interests of ophthalmologists around the country in the bill introduced by Congressman Fred B. Rooney, of Pennsylvania, H.R. 12373.

Recently, at a meeting of university professors, the significance of this bill was discussed and there was unanimous opinion that everything should be done to establish a National Eye Institute. We are all convinced, as Mr. Rooney has so aptly put it, "that the enactment of this bill into law and the resulting establishment of a National Eye Institute will be the most important step ever taken to rid mankind of the scourge of blindness."

I hope that you will see your way clear to lend your support to this bill and that by next year we will be well on the way to establishing such an institute.

Sincerely,

EDWARD W. D. NORTON, M.D.,
Professor and Chairman, Department of Ophthalmology.

THE CITY OF NEW YORK, OFFICE OF HOUSING
AND DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR,
New York, N.Y., March 2, 1966.

HON. HERBERT TENZER,
*House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR HERB: I have read the bill proposing a National Eye Institute which you are planning to cosponsor with Representative Rooney, of Pennsylvania.

I think the bill is great. However, I have two comments:

1. Are the necessary funds appropriated to carry out the purposes of this bill, and
2. I believe that somebody from our organization should be included as a member of the Advisory Council, if consonant with section 452A, as set forth in the bill.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL Z. NELSON,
Deputy Coordinator of Housing and Development.

THE MOUNT SINAI HOSPITAL,
New York, N.Y., March 2, 1966.

HON. HERBERT TENZER,
*House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR CONGRESSMAN TENZER: There are many cogent reasons for the establishment of a National Eye Institute and I do feel that the Fight for Sight and National Council to Combat Blindness should support this vigorously.

Sincerely yours,

IRVING H. LEOPOLD, M.D.