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January 22, 1925

Mr. William N. Eisendrath
1127 West Division Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Eisendrath:

I wish to thank you and Mrs. Eisendrath in this formal way for the very generous subscription which you are making to the University of Chicago as indicated by your pledge for one hundred thousand dollars which you handed to me yesterday.

In order that we may preserve some of the details of the considerations which entered into your decision in making this pledge I am putting some statements in this form which I would like to have you go over carefully. In case any of the statements I am making are not in accordance with your understanding I would appreciate a letter setting forth your point of view while the matters are fresh in our minds.

You have made your pledge of \$100,000 payable in two equal installments of \$50,000 each; namely, May 1st, 1925, and January 15th, 1926, "for the endowment of a professorship in the University of Chicago as a memorial to my son, Carl William Eisendrath. On or before December 31st, 1927, the fund may be applied towards the erection of a building or may be increased to \$200,000 to establish a Distinguished Service Professorship."

I understand in the first place that you and your wife in making a contribution to the University have three very definite and distinct thoughts in mind.

First, to show in a practical way the grateful appreciation to which you and Mrs. Eisendrath have given such gracious verbal expression for the benefits which the members of your family have derived from the University.

Second, to establish a worthy memorial to your son, Carl William Eisendrath, a former student and graduate of the University.

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January 22, 1928

Mr. William H. Eisenbraun
1127 East Division Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Eisenbraun:

I wish to thank you and Mrs. Eisenbraun in this formal way for the very generous subscription which you are making to the University of Chicago as indicated by your pledge for one hundred thousand dollars which you handed to me yesterday.

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You have made your pledge of \$100,000 payable in two equal installments of \$50,000 each; namely, May 1st, 1928, and January 1st, 1929, for the endowment of a professorship in the University of Chicago as a memorial to my son, Carl William Eisenbraun. On or before December 31st, 1927, the fund may be applied towards the erection of a building or may be increased to \$200,000 to establish a Distinguished Service Professorship.

I understand in the first place that you and your wife in making a contribution to the University have three very definite and distinct thoughts in mind.

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Second, to establish a worthy memorial to your son, Carl William Eisenbraun, a former student and graduate of the University.

Third, to fulfill a long cherished desire that some day you and your wife might have a vital part in the future development of the University.

Your gift at this time is especially appreciated because of the encouragement it affords us at the beginning of our active solicitation for funds.

In the wording of your pledge we understand that you have in mind the possibility of adding to the amount of the original pledge of \$100,000 if by so doing you should find a memorial which would appeal to you and your wife. You have already given serious consideration to the establishment of a Distinguished Service Professorship but, if I understand you aright you would rather have a memorial in the shape of a building or possibly a part of a building.

I am making it clear to Mr. Swift, the Chairman of our Board, and to President Burton that we are to keep your case in mind, and in the event we should find later on that you could erect a building, or a part of a building, or share with some other donors in the erection of a building in which there could be placed a memorial tablet in honor of your son, you would like to have us bring such a project to your attention.

The wording of your pledge permits you to change the designation of the \$100,000 which you have now pledged and apply the amount towards any building project which may be agreed upon later; or by adding another \$100,000 you may endow a Distinguished Service Professorship.

Permit me also to thank you for your willingness to give me the names and addresses of a few people who might be interested to help us in our development program.

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With sincerest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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WILLIAM N. EISENDRATH
1127 West Division Street
Chicago.

January 23rd, 1925

Mr. J. Y. Aitcheson,
c/o University of Chicago
1701 Lytton Bldg.
Jackson & State Sts.,
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Aitcheson;--

I am in receipt of your letter dated the
22nd inst. and the same is in accordance with my under-
standing of the matter.

Very truly yours,

Signed (William N. Eisendrath)

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WILLIAM N. EISENBERG
115 West Division Street
Chicago.

January 23rd, 1933

Mr. J. Y. Atchison,
c/o University of Chicago
1401 Taylor Bldg.
Jackson & State Sts.,
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Atchison:--

I am in receipt of your letter dated the
22nd inst. and the same is in accordance with my under-
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Very truly yours,

Signed (William N. Eisenberg)

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