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To my wonderful patients/friends:

To those of you who inquired as to when I might retire, I often replied that it wouldn't so much be retirement as that I would just extend my vacation time. This year marks 35 years that I have been in practice. When I graduated from dental school in 1981, I didn't look 35 years into the future. If I had, it would have seemed like a lifetime away. In reality, it has been a heartbeat. And my heart has been touched by the wonderful relationships that I have had with all of you. Having relationships with my patients was what I strived to make the hallmark of my practice. I have appreciated the opportunity to learn, grow and provide the advice and dental care I consider so important. Over the years I have had thousands of patients who have meant so much to me. Your kindness and trust have made my life and my life's work very worthwhile.

So what happens when one decides to extend their vacation? My major concern was to find someone to entrust with your care. I wanted someone whose principles and philosophy of dental care coincided with mine. I wanted someone whose post dental school education supported the direction my continuing education had taken. Of course, they should be younger and brighter. The welfare of the patient should be their foremost goal. I should be able to sleep at night without worrying about any of you.

In the current dental milieu, a single practitioner practice is something of a dinosaur. The next phase of the practice will be somewhat different. The new owner is Dr. Jack Manikowski of Lincoln Park Smiles, and the principal doctor at the practice will be Dr. Teo Limosnero. Both doctors have been in practice for more than 20 years and both doctors are graduates of my dental school alma mater, the University of Illinois, College of Dentistry. I am very fortunate to be able to confidently recommend these kind and skillful doctors as your care givers.

My terrific, loyal and enthusiastic team will remain with the practice so the transition should be quite seamless. You probably won't even notice that I am "on vacation." I will remain to complete all cases that I have begun and to see that my Invisalign patients are on board with the transition. The formal transfer of ownership is July 8, 2016.

With gratitude and my very best wishes,



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