Remember the FNIH in Your Estate Plans

Remembering the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health (FNIH), a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, in your estate plans means that you will have a profound and lasting effect on scientific advances in biomedical research and effective medical treatment. Your gift can support research that saves lives.

The advantages of constructing a bequest include that it is revocable at any time, allows you to maintain your lifestyle, and provides tax benefits to your estate. It is flexible and can be established easily either through a new will or trust or a codicil/amendment to an existing document. The following is sample language you may give to your attorney/adviser to include in the most appropriate way:

**Residual Bequest/Gift** - Allows you to give what remains of your estate/trust after all specific bequests/gifts are fulfilled. You may wish to consider the following language: “I bequeath the rest and residue of my estate to the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health, Inc., of North Bethesda, Maryland, to be used for general purposes.”

**Percentage Bequest/Gift** - Allows you to give a percentage of your estate/trust. You may wish to consider the following language: “I bequeath to the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health, Inc., of North Bethesda, Maryland, an amount equal to ________________ percent of the net value of my estate, to be used for general purposes.”

**Specific Bequest/Gift** - Allows you to give a specific dollar amount. You may wish to consider the following language: “I bequeath to the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health, Inc., of North Bethesda, Maryland, the sum of $______, to be used for general purposes.”

Unrestricted gifts to FNIH will be allocated to the areas of greatest need. You can also choose to make a gift for a specific purpose or area of research. Please contact the FNIH Advancement office to discuss giving opportunities and gift designation options. The FNIH will steward the funds received in accordance with your gift intention in the most fiscally responsible way. With a written letter of intent, we will welcome you as a member of the FNIH Legacy Society.

Your attorney/adviser may wish to keep our address and Tax ID# on file.

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