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Will you help save the lives of cardiac patients in our community?

Dear Salutation,

We have all experienced the anxiety and fear associated with waiting for the results of medical tests. Time is an important factor if you're facing a potentially serious diagnosis. Receiving your results quickly will allow you and your referring provider to make important healthcare decisions as soon as possible.

<As a supporter of St. Joe's, I'm writing to you today to ask> -- Will you help reduce test result wait times for cardiology patients with your gift today?

An echocardiogram, which uses ultrasound waves to create a visual display of the heart, is a vital part of our team's ability to care for our cardiology patients. This test helps doctors make critical diagnostic and treatment decisions. However, currently the system for sharing test results with a referring provider and a patient is a cumbersome, paper-based, manual process.

With your support, new software will enable a patient's echocardiogram test results to be directly reported to their electronic patient record. In turn, those results will be immediately accessible to the patient's referring provider. This considerably reduces the time it takes for a provider to receive detailed test results and ensures timely care.

This lifesaving improvement in our cardiac technology will cost \$173,292. Every gift makes a difference! Your gift of <\$Ask C>, <\$Ask B> or <\$Ask A> will ensure patients who need an urgent care plan can quickly receive the treatment they need.

"I work hard to gain my patients' confidence and trust," cardiologist Jims Jean-Jacques, DO, said to me. "This integration will help patients feel more confident and help providers take better care of patients."

The time saved by technologists and doctors will allow more time to be dedicated to reducing appointment wait times, improving patient care and increasing patient satisfaction.

Whether it's you, your loved one, your neighbor or someone else in our community who is faced with a potentially serious diagnosis, your gift today will help them get the care they need faster. Please give a gift today. A gift of any amount helps make a difference.

With gratitude,

Mary Prybylo, MSN, RN

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P.S. Heart issues are among the most serious. Your gift today will reduce wait times for diagnostic test results, ensuring faster care for those in our community who need it most.