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Dear Doctor Flowers:

I have just returned following a week in Las Vegas at the Aesthetic Meeting. I am now a full member of the Aesthetic Society. I took your course on "perioral Wizardry" and, as usual, enjoyed your comments and took home many useful pearls. I have previously taken your "coronocanthopexy" course and always enjoy your remarks. I want to thank you for all your contributions to plastic surgery and for taking the time to each others. I have been in private practice for twelve years and now enjoy a mostly cosmetic practice. I still do insurance related breast surgery and help out in the ER and serve on hospital committees. I have a very satisfying practice and my plan for the next half of my professional career is to try to take my practice and skills to the next plane which for me means topnotch and state-of-the-art.

In addition to thanking you for your role as teacher and thoughtful thinker I would like to inquire if you ever allow people such as myself to come and visit and see your office and watch you work in the OR. I try to visit famous individuals once or twice a year and have long thought about writing you this letter. I would particularly like to see you do a coronocanthopexy as well as blepharoplasty surgery and anything else on the head and neck such as a facelift, tear trough implants with or without malar implants, chin implants, etc. I find that there is no substitute for this type of experience. It is far superior to reading articles or watching videos and lends itself better with regards to going home and doing something new and superior. I know you are a very busy man and if this is simply beyond the realm of what you like then I certainly understand. It is distracting to be doing surgery with ancillary people in the room and it requires more physical and emotional energy so I want you to know that I understand this full well. I try to be unobtrusive and low key when I visit so that it is a collegial exchange. If you would allow me to visit I will adhere to any schedule you prefer and would emphasize that you please do

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what works best for you so that I am not too much of a burden. I am double board certified in ENT and Plastic Surgery and have done separate fellowships in Microsurgery and Hand Surgery. I consider myself a student of plastic surgery and have a great love for our specialty hence my desire to continue to broaden my experience with people like yourself. I will have my office manager follow-up with your office in a few weeks to see if a visit might be arranged. Again, I understand if you don't want to do this so please don't hesitate to say no if that works best for you.

Another request I have is to get a copy of that very lovely poem you read to us at the "perioral Wizardry" course. If you could send me a copy and perhaps sign it as well I would like to get it framed and put it in my office. I know your poem will always put a smile on my face particularly if I am having a bad day and it was a particularly nice moment at the Las Vegas Meeting.

Thank you for your time and I hope I can see you in person sometime perhaps in the next year or so. Have a good year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J Payne MD". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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P.S. Enclosed is my CV for your review

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