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Megan Donahue, President  
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Dear Megan,

Thank you very much for your letter dated July 10. I am encouraged to see the outpouring of support for Yerkes, and your attention to the future of Yerkes is greatly appreciated. I hope you will remain engaged. We very much appreciate Yerkes' special place in astronomical history, and that is an important factor in consideration of the observatory's future.

We are in the internal process of evaluating proposals and options for a successor. When ready, the University will post any updates to the following website: <https://physical-sciences.uchicago.edu/content/yerkes-updates>.

As we learn more about the future of Yerkes—and as I catch up!—I will be in touch to share updates.

Please do reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Angela V. Olinto  
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