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Our Giving Pledge

We have been honored to be asked to lend our names to The Giving Pledge campaign. Our lives have been extraordinarily blessed and we have always maintained a firm commitment to give back to our community, our nation and to global causes that have struck our heart and our passions.

We formed our family foundation in 1993 when Broadcom went public. Even in the early days of our foundation, we knew that our philanthropic interests would be primarily focused on three major areas that are personally important to us:

1. Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Education. Both of our educational and career backgrounds are in the STEM fields. We are committed to enhancing engineering education at the university level as well as promoting innovation in STEM education at the kindergarten through high school levels, especially in socially disadvantaged communities.

2. Complementary, Alternative, and Integrative Medicine. Susan has been passionate about the field of integrative medicine for over 25 years. We are committed to promoting wellness and whole body healing by supporting innovative research in the fields of integrative medicine and complementary and alternative modalities.

3. Jewish Culture. We both have strong ties to our Jewish heritage, and charitable giving, also known as, tzedakah, is a cornerstone of our culture and upbringing. We are committed to promoting a strong Jewish culture in our community, promoting tolerance and understanding among different religious cultures, and supporting the state of Israel.

Our philanthropy has always been in our hearts and it was easy for us to look for ways to give back. Our philanthropy represents the bridge from our family to our community, from the past to the future, and from our passions to our convictions. It is also important to our family that perhaps our gifts will encourage others to give as well. The Giving Pledge certainly fulfills that goal.

Thank you to Bill and Melinda, and Warren for initiating The Giving Pledge. Your leadership in the field of philanthropy further reinforces our commitment to continue in our efforts to promote change that we believe will provide people less fortunate than us with opportunities to more fully realize their potential. Hopefully by adding our names to such a distinguished list of philanthropists, others will be encouraged to join together to make a lasting impact on our society.

Sincerely,

Henry and Susan Samueli