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TO: THE VICE PROVOST AND DEAN OF RESEARCH
FROM: THE PRESIDENT, John L. Hennessy
CC: RESEARCH COMPLIANCE DIRECTOR, Kathy McClelland ✓
DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2006
RE: DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR THE HUMAN RESEARCH
PROTECTION PROGRAM (HRPP)

I hereby delegate authority and responsibility to the Vice Provost and Dean of Research to establish, maintain, and oversee the Human Research Protection Program (HRPP) at Stanford University. As we have discussed, the HRPP should: (a) address the principles and standards of the Association for the Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs, (b) require compliance with applicable laws such as the Common Rule (45 CFR Part 46) and FDA regulations relating to human subjects (21 CFR Parts 50 and 56), and (c) incorporate ethical standards such as the Belmont Report. As you are aware, the HRPP covers not only Stanford University but also its affiliates, for which it has an agreement to provide HRPP-related services, including Stanford Hospital and Clinics, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford, and the Veterans Affairs Palo Alto Health Care System with its associated Palo Alto Institute for Research and Education.

This delegation includes but is not limited to:

- Direct oversight of the Research Compliance Office, the Administrative Panels on Human Subjects in Medical Research, and the Administrative Panel on Human Subjects in Non-Medical Research, including the appointment of Chairs and members.
- Creating, establishing and maintaining the policies and procedures for the HRPP and related research policies and procedures on behalf of Stanford University.
- Overseeing the protection of human participants, regulatory compliance, and implementation of the HRPP.
- Ensuring that open channels of communication are maintained between the components of the HRPP.
- Overseeing research investigators and staff, and research management.
- Ensuring the independence of the IRB, including the authority to act without undue influence.

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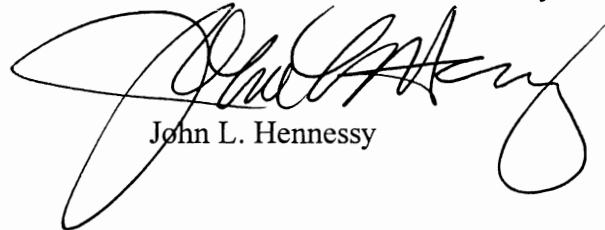
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- Requiring periodic reviews of the HRPP and of regulatory compliance of human participant research in the context of continuous quality improvement activities.
- Ensuring that the HRPP is functional, adequately staffed and funded, and respected in the research community, including:
 - Annually reviewing the resources allocated to the HRPP
 - Participating in the annual budget preparation for the HRPP
 - Incorporating the HRPP budget into Stanford University's budget.

This delegation shall continue in effect until revised or terminated by me or my successors.



John L. Hennessy