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Dear Colleague,

Thank you for your support in helping us become the busiest benign gynecologic robotic service in the NYC metropolitan area. I joined NYHQ in July 2009 after completing a fellowship in minimally invasive surgery with Dr. Camran Nezhat of Stanford University Medical Center. In May 2010, I performed the first da Vinci robotic system assisted gynecologic procedure at New York Hospital Queens. Subsequently, our program has provided the robotic option to more than 100 women, and I wanted to share the results with you. Hopefully, these results serve to reinforce the benefits of robotic surgery as an alternative to conventional laparotomy and laparoscopic procedures.

My robotic practice includes many patients with complex pathology:

- Uteri up to 34 weeks in size
- BMI up to 46
- Multiple previous abdominal/pelvic surgery
- Known severe endometriosis and adhesions
- Desired fertility with multiple fibroids

The cases I performed using the da Vinci robotic system resulted in excellent clinical outcomes:

- Zero conversions to laparotomy
- Average length of stay less than 6 hours
- Average EBL of 100 mL
- Zero transfusions

In contrast, the NYC metropolitan area has an open hysterectomy rate of 69%. My aim is to provide your patients with the best surgical outcomes without impacting the continuity of their care. We welcome the opportunity to assist with your patients and foster an excellent relationship with your practice. As always, your patient will return to you for follow-up and management. Please contact me directly if you would like any additional information.

Sincerely,

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