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Dear Dr. Sieving,

The Fight for Sight Board of Directors and I would like to offer the National Eye Institute our sincere congratulations on its 40th anniversary.

As our organization approaches its 65th anniversary, we remain proud that our founder Mildred Weisenfeld played a role in the establishment of the National Institute of Neurological Disease and Blindness, now the National Eye Institute, when she testified to Congress in the late 1960s about the need for our country to establish a national health Institute whose mission concentrated on vision and blindness issues.

As you know, the missions of the NEI and Fight for Sight share a similar focus on eye research to solve the many challenging eye conditions affecting literally hundreds of millions of people worldwide. We continue to applaud the important work the NEI has accomplished in its mission to protect the eyesight of the American public.

Sincerely,

Mike Wilke,
Executive Director