Montreal.

July 29, 1934.

Dear Sir Herbert,

I have just heard from Mr. Chenoweth of the decision to refuse direct access to the Hospital's main corridor from the Neurological Institute and enclosed you will find a letter copy written to him to-day.

My protest is based largely on the unfairness of delaying such a decision until this late date without any open discussion of the matter.

I have been sensitive to a certain reluctance and opposition on the part of the Hospital in regard to the development of the Institute in spite of your generous gift. This reluctance has been a real source of regret to me as I had hoped in the first place that it would be the Royal Victoria who would look upon the proposed Institute as their own undertaking.

The problems in neurology are such difficult ones that with the most ideal arrangements we can hope only for slow progress and we must somehow get the relief from administrative load which is to be found nowhere but in a well run, large hospital.

I hope it may be possible for us to complete a proper contract within the next few days as otherwise it will be impossible to have patients in the Institute in September.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Wilder Penfield.

Sir Herbert Holt, 107 Craig Street West, Montreal.