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Irving L. Kron, MD

Message from Michael D. Dake, MD, Senior Vice President for UA Health Sciences

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Dear Colleagues:

I am extremely pleased to announce that Irving Kron, MD, has been appointed Senior Associate Vice President for Health Sciences and Interim Executive Dean of the UA College of Medicine – Tucson, effective July 9, 2018.

Dr. Kron will play a key role on my team to support programmatic development and strategic integration of undergraduate and graduate education, research, administrative and clinical activities for the colleges, centers and clinical affiliates within UA Health Sciences.

In his role as Interim Executive Dean, Dr. Kron also will lead the ongoing development of the UA College of Medicine – Tucson to ensure alignment with the mission, vision and values of the health sciences and the university's strategic initiatives.

"I am so impressed by the leadership of this university and the enormous potential of our health sciences colleges. The University of Arizona has an excellent reputation for developing great physicians and health professionals who are well prepared for a changing world. I am honored to have this opportunity at the UA to shape the future of health care." — Irving Kron, MD

Board certified in surgery, vascular surgery and thoracic and cardiovascular surgery, Dr. Kron joined the faculty at the University of Virginia more than 35 years ago. His specialties are in adult cardiac surgery, pediatric cardiac surgery and peripheral vascular surgery. He served as Chairman of the Department of Surgery for 15 years.

Dr. Kron received his undergraduate degree at the University of Pennsylvania in 1971. He finished his medical school training at the Medical College of Wisconsin in 1975. He continued his training in General Surgery Residency at the Maine Medical Center and completed his training in thoracic and cardiovascular surgery in 1982 at the University of Virginia.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. Kron to the University of Arizona

Health Sciences. I am confident he quickly will become a vital member of our leadership team.

Finally, I would also like to express my gratitude to Leigh Neumayer, MD, MS, FACS, who established an exceptional foundation from which to launch the next chapter of the UA Health Sciences enterprise. Her service as Interim Senior Vice President for Health Sciences and Interim Executive Dean of the UA College of Medicine – Tucson has positioned us for success in the coming days, weeks, and months ahead.

Michael D. Dake, MD
Senior Vice President for UA Health Sciences



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