INDIANA UNIVERSITY September 14, 1998 SCHOOL OF MEDICINE Gregory Smith, M.D. 8937 Southpointe Dr. #2C Indianapolis, IN 46227

Re: Nathan Dear Dr. Smith,

Nathan was seen in consultation September 11, 1998. He is a four year old with history of developmental delay and problems with poor dark adaptation. The parents have concerns regarding his depth perception and peripheral vision. He has previously been seen by Dr. Hidaji. He was felt to have a retinal degeneration. There is no fam~ly history of ocular diseases. **Examination:** Uncorrected visual acuity by Allen figure testing was 20/40 in either eye. Color vision was grossly normal. He was unable to consistently perform stereo acuity testing. Ocular alignment and motility appeared normal. Slit lamp examination was normal. Cycloplegic refraction revealed no significant refractive error. Dilated retinal examination was normal. **Diagnosis:** 1) Developmental delay

2) Possible sub-normal vision worse in dim lighting conditions

**Plan:** Nathan may have an underlying systemic problem causing both developmental delay and sub-normal vision. I have discussed with the family that it would be beneficial to more clearly delineate his retinal status. I have suggested that we perform an electroretino gram under anesthesia. This is not quite as ideal as testing done in the awake patient. However, our experience has been that this is useflil in characterizing the presence or absence of retinal dystrophys. This may be of assistance in the search for a possible systemic disorder. Conditions to consider include the mucopolysaccharoidoses and the multiple variances of retinitis pigmentosa associated with systemic diseases. Other possibilities include congenital stationary night blindness and cone-rod dystrophys. A normal ERG would serve to alleviate some of the family's uncertainty.

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Nathan will be seen by Developmental Pediatrics within the next two months. We have asked that they return to our office for continued follow up in four months.

Thank you for allowing us to participate in the care of this child. Please feel free to contact our office if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Daniel E. Neely, M.D. Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology

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cc: Developmental Pediatrics Riley - 1601

## The following are notes taken during Nathan's eye exam:

