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Dr. Kenneth Holdidch  
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Dear Dr. Holdidch:

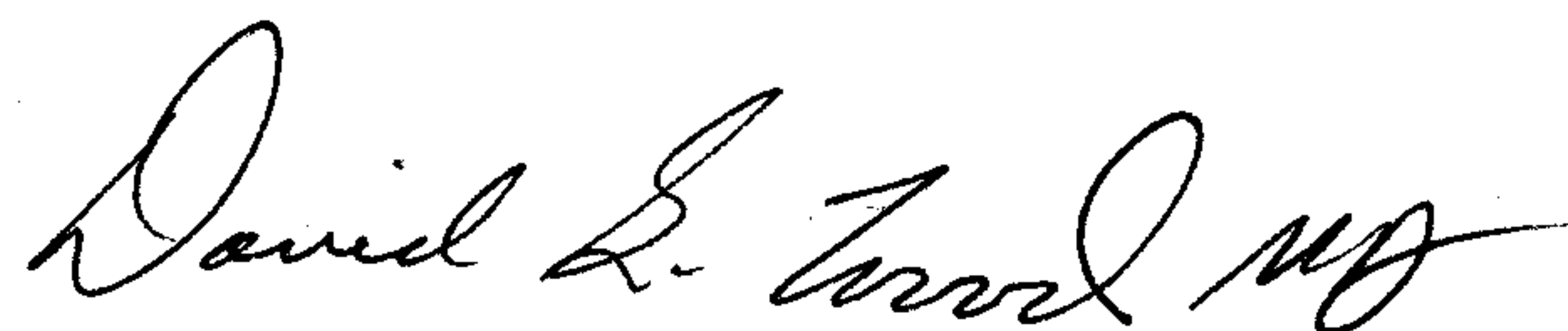
It came to my attention today that Gilbert Eyzaguirre is no longer associated with the best restaurant in our city, known for its fine restaurants, the beloved Galatoire's. I am in a state of shock and disbelief.

Since I moved to the Crescent City in 1980, Galatoire's has been my most favorite dining establishment. I have celebrated birthdays, anniversaries, Christmas, Mardi Gras and the Good Life in it many forms at this restaurant. Each visit to Galatoire's was made more special by the presence of my very own waiter, Gilberto.

We all go out to eat from time to time in New Orleans and the primary reason is for the food, of course. But the special personal touch, the not wanting for anything type of service that Gilberto brought to Galatoire's, is what makes the restaurant the most unique and fulfilling dining experience available anywhere in the United States, and most likely the world.

Seriously, one of the biggest reasons that I have frequented Galatoire's Restaurant for the past 22 years is Gilberto Eyzaguirre. The thought of dining there and knowing Gilberto would not ever be able to wait on me has taken away my appetite. If there were anything I could do to help reinstate this wonderful man into his former place of intelligent, caring and entertaining service, I would not hesitate to help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David G. Wood M.D.".