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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN -

I have specialized in the treatment of alcoholism for many years.

About four years ago I attended a patient by the name of William G. Wilson. Though he had been a competent business man of good earning capacity he was an alcoholic of a type I had come to regard as hopeless.

In the course of his third treatment he acquired certain ideas concerning a possible means of recovery. As part of his rehabilitation he commenced to present his new conceptions to other alcoholics impressing upon them that they must do likewise with still others. This has become the basis of rapidly growing fellowship of these men and their families. This man and about one hundred others appear to have recovered.

I personally know thirty of these cases who were of types upon which other methods had failed completely.

These facts appear to be of extreme medical importance. Because of the extraordinary possibilities of rapid growth inherent in this group these events may mark a new epoch in the annals of alcoholism. These men may well have a solution for thousands of these situations.

You may rely absolutely on anything they say about themselves.

Very truly yours,

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