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Dear Patient

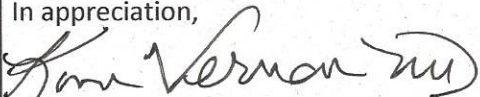
It is with both joy and sadness that I am announcing my retirement from Vernon and Waldrep OB/GYN Associates at the end of July 2022. As a founding partner of this practice with Dr Waldrep 38 years ago, I have had a wonderful, fulfilling career and one that I would not change. However, I am looking forward to moving on to my next stage of life. I plan to explore new interests, complete "projects," spend more time with family, and hopefully, travel. Yet, I have so many special memories and long-term relationships with my patients and associates over the years, that it is not easy to say goodbye.

You will be in competent, skilled, and caring hands with my partners in the practice. In addition to Drs Waldrep, Elmquist, Walker and O'Connor, we are excited to welcome Dr Regan Allen and Dr Allison Kramer in the fall. They will be on the same insurance carriers and will accept Medicare as well. Please visit our website (Vernon&Waldrep.com) to become more acquainted with them.

I am glad to be leaving my practice in such capable hands. Of course, you may seek medical care from another physician if you prefer. Your medical records are confidential, and a copy can be transferred to another doctor or released to you, or another person you designate, only with your permission. If you plan to continue with our office, you can sign an authorization form to release your records and transfer your care to one of my partners on your next visit. If you choose to see another physician out of our practice, please sign the authorization form and return it to my office as soon as possible so we may transfer your records to your new doctor. Until then your medical records will remain on file at Vernon and Waldrep Ob Gyn Associates. For those of you doing Votiva procedures or wanting to start these procedures, I will continue to perform them.

Women's healthcare creates unique bonds. Over the years my patients have allowed me to grow in medical knowledge, empathy and understanding. I have been blessed to have a career of immense rewards and friendships, and I am so grateful.

In appreciation,



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The release forms are available via the patient portal.