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A common misconception is that only physicians are capable of stimulating a positive change in the general health of South Georgia. However, the shaping of the quality of health in South Georgia is a process that transcends the role of the physician, requiring the engagement and passion of various professionals such as lawyers, pharmacists, teachers, and nurses. In light of this, in order to maintain the health of South Georgia, my generation must realize our responsibility to maintain a community in which quality health is feasible to all people. Such a responsibility demands that we possess the attributes of a servant leader that enable us to serve the community that nurtures us.

A servant leader prioritizes serving others while embodying the characteristics of humility, vision, and empathy. Humility will allows us to uplift the value of others without undermining our own confidence. In South Georgia, a community where socioeconomic disparities are prevalent, my generation will not allow status to dictate who we serve. Instead, we will use our various platforms to ensure that South Georgia is an environment where quality health can be attained by all people. We will recognize the significance of serving every South Georgian in their quest to securing quality health.

As servant leaders, my generation must also have vision to lead South Georgia into a future of vibrant wellbeing. With vision, my generation will create unique methods to effectively

connect the community to healthcare. Such methods will attract the young, old, rich, and poor equally. Vision demands that one examine the results of each new implementation, constantly searching for how to improve for the future. Possessing vision will prevent us from making the same mistakes that have impeded the health of South Georgia. Ultimately, vision will allow my generation to be intentional in how we serve our community so that health is not compromised by rash decisions.

Lastly, my generation must be empathetic as we serve and lead our community to widespread wellness. With empathy, we will be challenged to truly perceive the suffering that is rampant within our community. Although we find comfort in our oblivion, empathy will force us into the devastating aspects of our community that need attention. We will not generalize our community members through our assumptions, instead we will fully immerse ourselves in the struggles that are a reality to most people. With empathy, my generation will understand that every person is South Georgia has a unique story that shapes their accessibility to resources that sustain their health. Empathy will provide the passion we need to remain vigilant even when we are challenged by the obstacles are posed against the availability of equitable health opportunities for all.

Ultimately, my generation will shape the future of health in South Georgia by making conscious decisions to be servant leaders who are humble, have vision, and are empathetic as we shape the future of the health of our fellow South Georgians.