NURSES MAKE THE WORLD GO ROUND!

A collection of Letters
Dedicated to Nurses
Everywhere





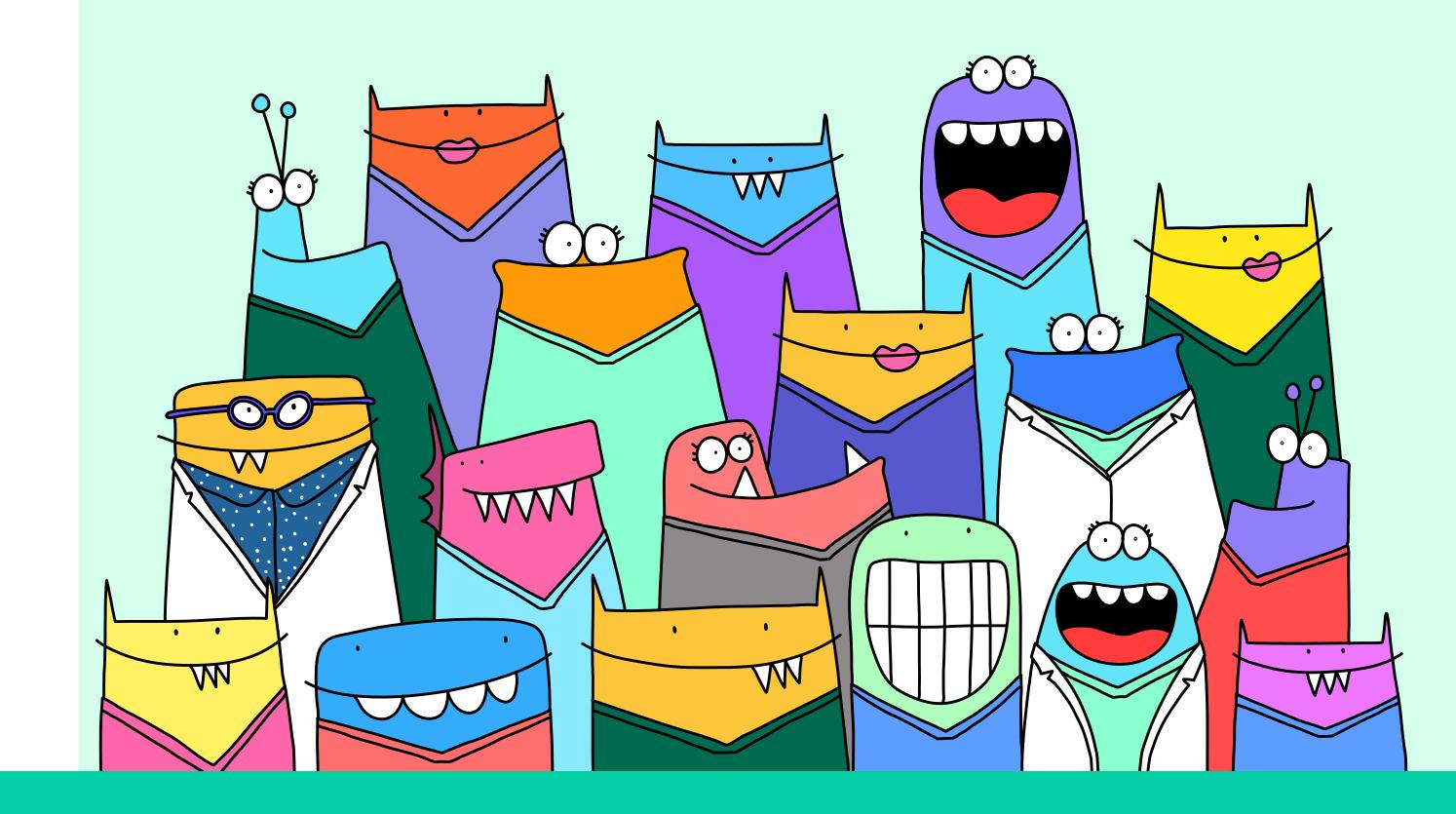
Anyone who's been in healthcare (patient, doctor, caregiver, administrator, or family member) knows that Nurses run the world. And that's never been more true than right now, in the first half of 2020.

We invited the community to come together to honor these humans who put their own health at risk on a daily basis, by getting people from around the world to write 'Thank You' letters to Nurses who have impacted their lives in meaningful ways.

Please take time this month to say 'Thank You', reach out to a special Nurse in your life and let them know how awesome they are.

And if that special Nurse is you, thank you!

Happy Nurses Month!



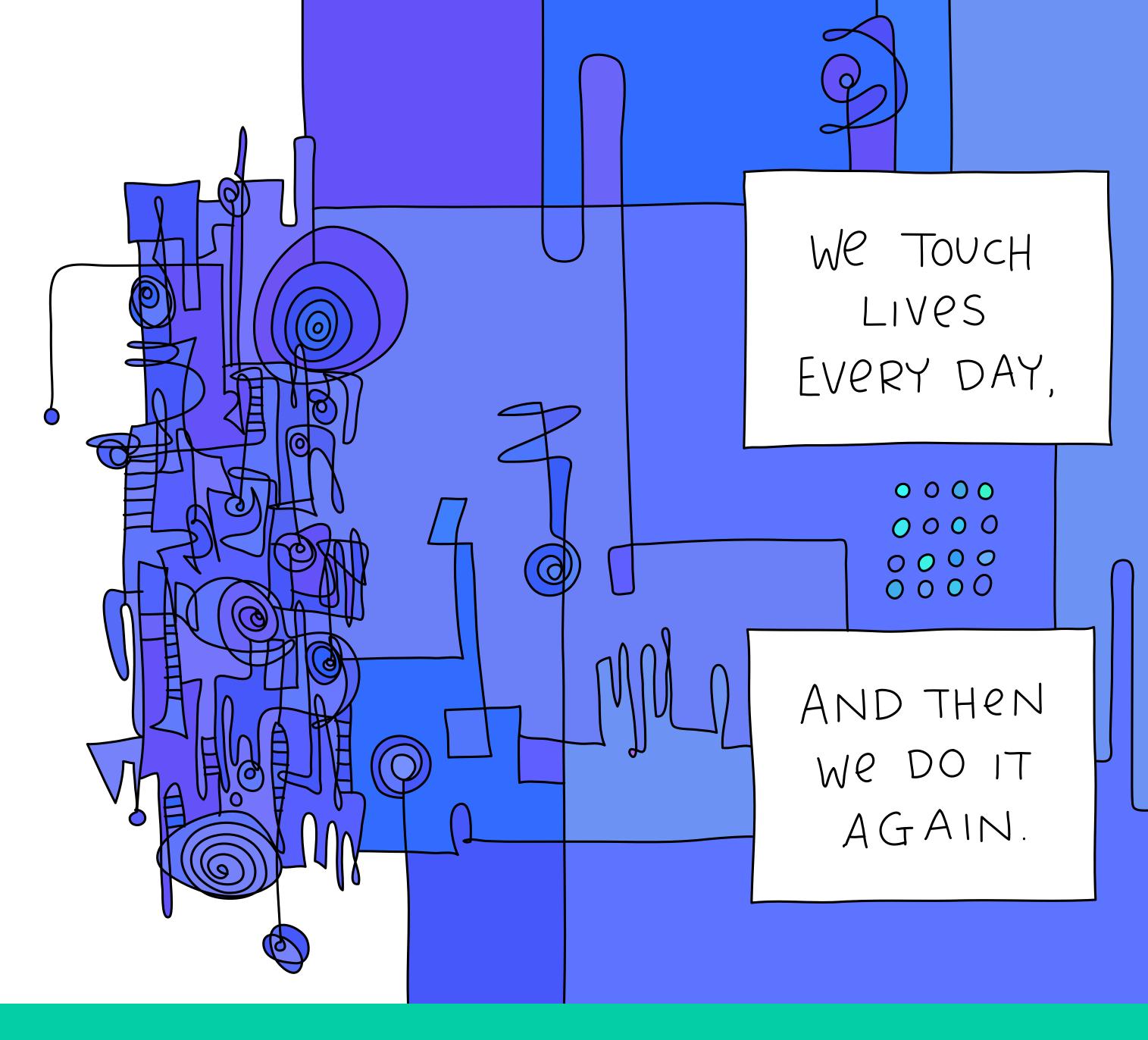


Dear Mom,

You are an inspiration for your selfless love and dedication to all the patients you look after daily.

Here's to you and to all the other everyday heroes dressed in scrub-capes and medical masks.

With love, Omayra





Dear Nursing Leaders at MCI,

It has been just over 3 years since we opened our doors in MCI. We have had a lot to deal with in a startup organization, from EMR issues, scheduling and staffing issues and now COVID-19.

You have endured. You have been flexible, patient, kind, understanding, compassionate and oh by the way "extremely professional". You are the best our profession has to offer!

I want to extend my "thanks" to you all (especially as Nurse Week approaches) and respect everything you have done. It has not been easy, but we are learning and growing together. My "hat" is off to you all!

Stay strong and healthy for your family, friends and the future. We have a lot of life to "live and give".

With tons of pride and admiration, You are all the best! Michele



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Dear Kate,

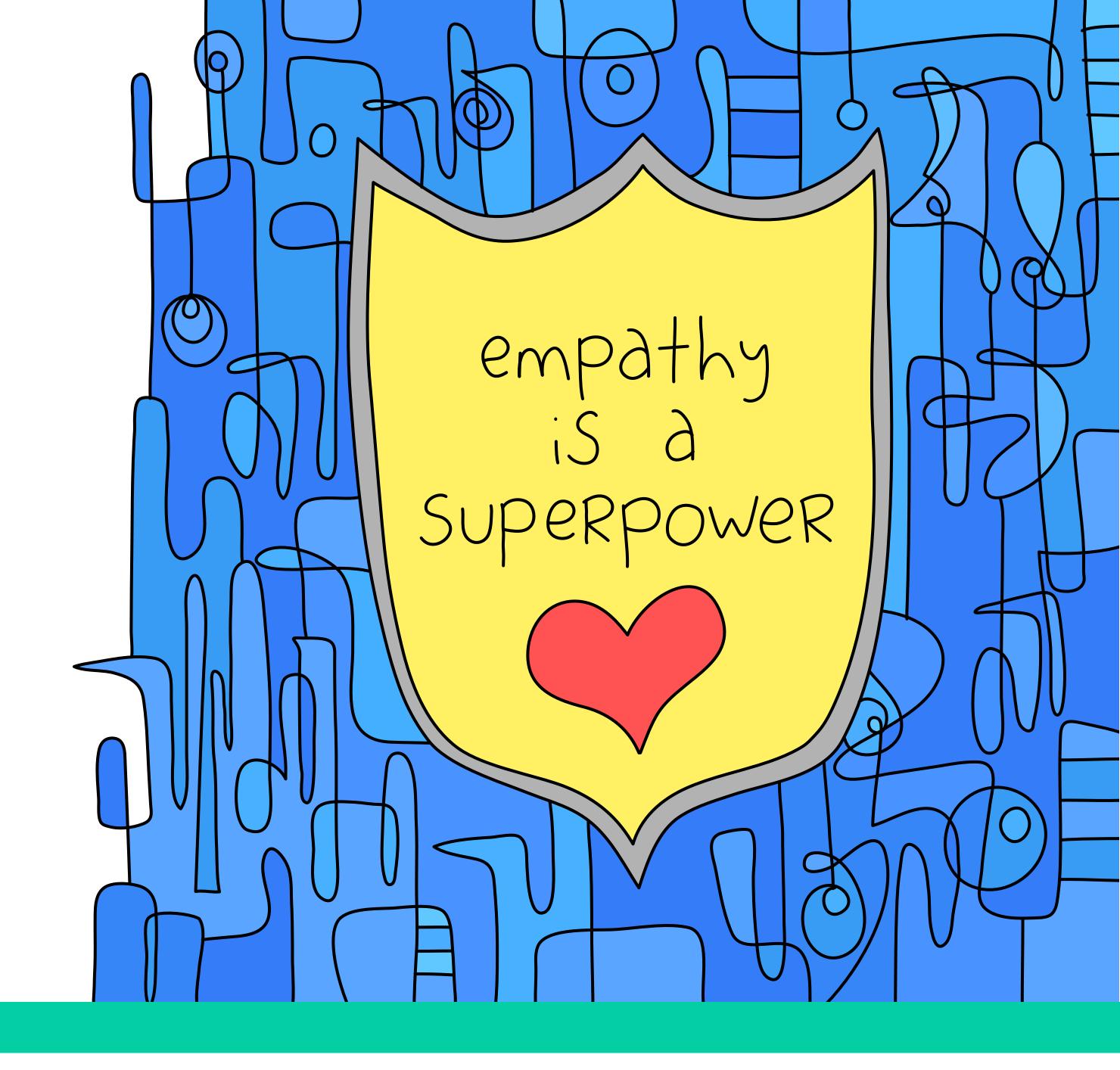
I have long wanted to acknowledge your caring bravery and your amazing empathy as you serve the public as a home health nurse.

You are sent in to see the sickest of the sick. The difficult of cases: the chronic diseases, the tricky post surgeries. You have served the poor, have been to the worst parts of the city imaginable. You have dressed the messiest of wounds, changed catheters and ministered to the sick who have benefited greatly from your care and your love. You treat every patient as if they were your family.

If we could find even 1/10th of your empathy and understanding of people in need we would all be better off in our own lives.

Because of knowing you and your fellow nurses on the front lines we are safer, better cared for and can live in greater wellness. Thank you!

With love, Joan



Dear Elizabeth,

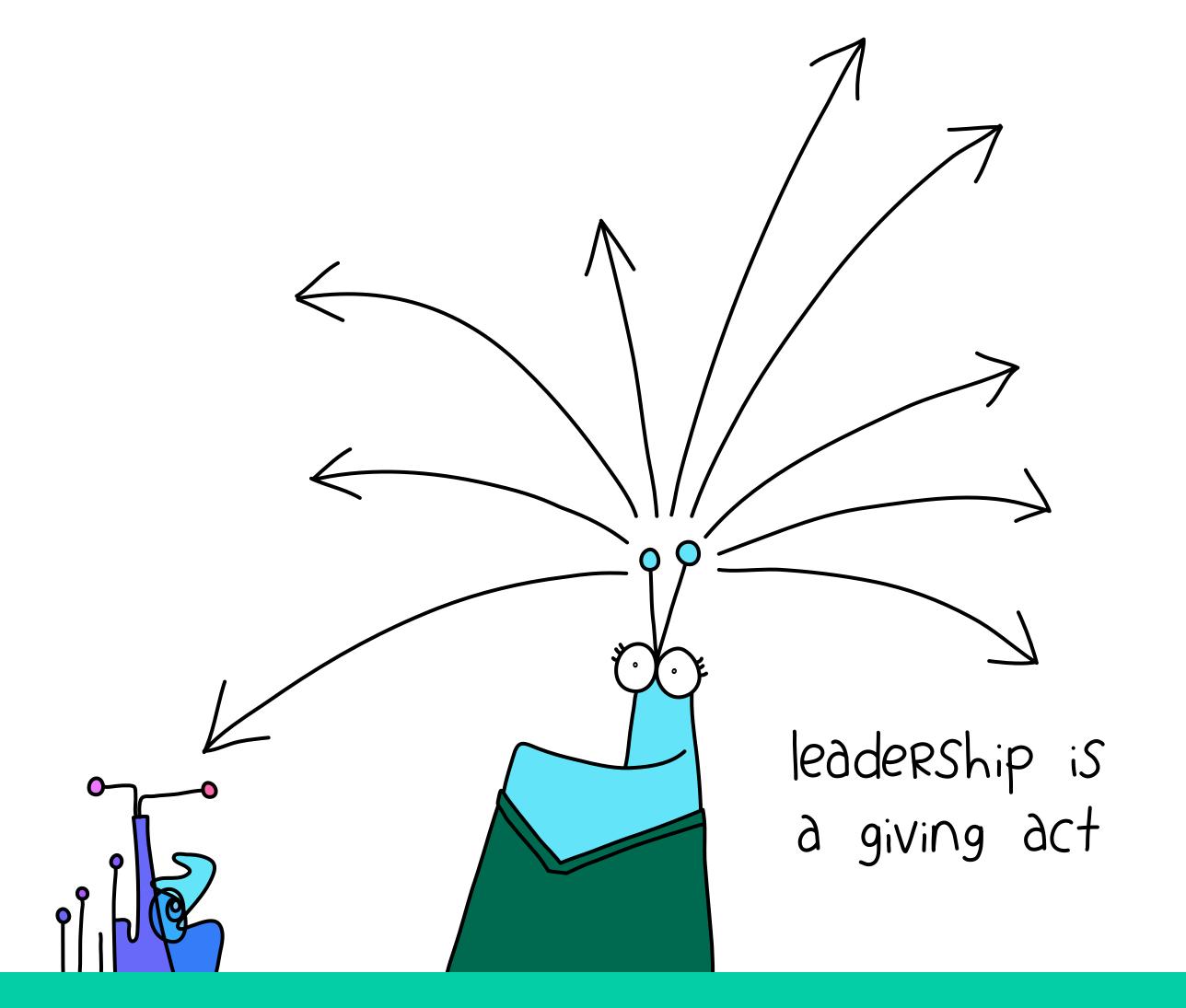
You are such a caring and compassionate nursing leader.

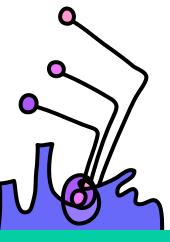
You consistently put yourself back in your former frontline ED nursing shoes and advocate to meet your team's needs. It's such a pleasure to work with someone who leads with passion and for whom always puts their team first.

Engagement cannot be bought; it's earned. You've earned an engaged nursing team of hundreds of amazing difference-makers that are saving lives everyday.

I am honored and humbled to work by your side!

With love, Jarret







Dear Ricki,

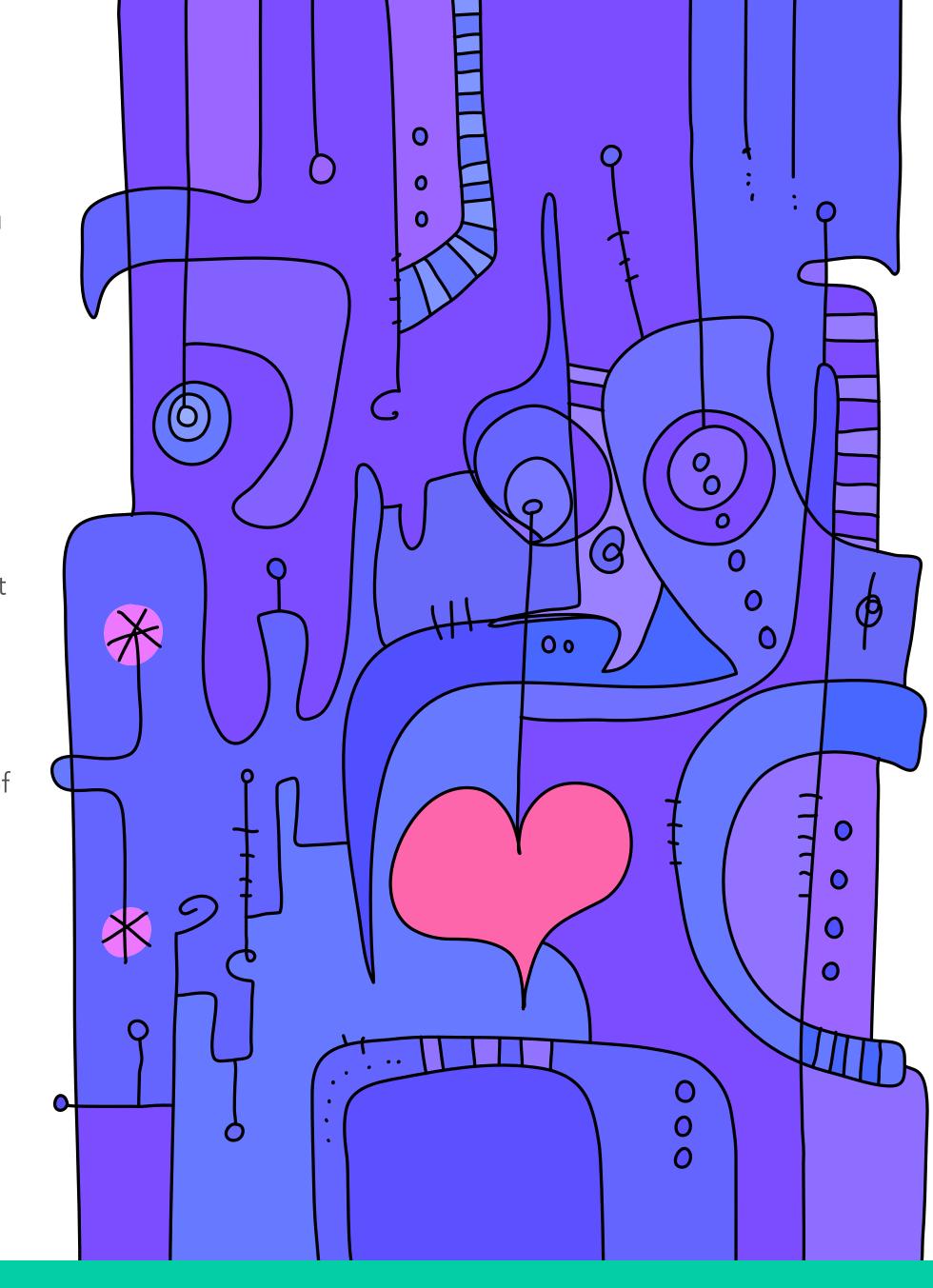
When you prepare to leave your home in the morning to go to the hospital, Ensley Rose looks at you with the same beautiful brown eyes, responding don't go mommy. With a sharp tug to any mother's heart, you respond goodbye with a warm kiss and deep hug and prepare for your day at the hospital. You are a part of the incredible women in this world that need to be acknowledged and thanked for selflessly moving forward through advancement in their educational degree to doctorate levels, maintaining a full time jobs and most important of all, being a mom and wife; truly at the core of what fills your heart with so much love and keeps you positive each day.

One of the greatest levels of strength you bring to the parents on your floor is your own journey through your pregnancy and childbirth. For twenty days in critical care, both you and Ensley's lives were in danger, yet you maintained a level of curiosity, professionalism, understanding and appreciation for the medical team involved that saved both of your lives. You all made us laugh because you never lost site of the policies and procedures of a nurse.

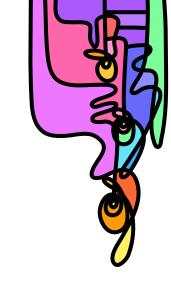
Now more than ever, I thank you for showing empathy and a deep level of understanding to those parents feeling scared and very alone. We can only work with what we can control and allow the doctors to control the rest. You are living in the midst of one of the greatest challenges of your career, balancing the needs of both the hospital and your patients. Choices will have to be made, some spontaneously, others through quick conversations with medical teams.

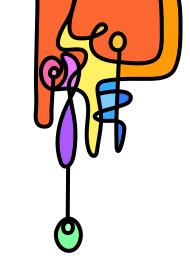
At the end of the day, I thank you for being a nurse with extensive knowledge and compassion, to support and guide the parents and patients that need you.

With love, Jill



anything is possible if it's done with love...





Dear Brandi, Julie, Rose, Kelly, Cara, Patty, Jon, Danielle, Ruth, Shawna, Steve and Brittany,

Thank you for working to keep the COVID-19 Virus in Essex County NY from infecting others. You are so appreciated for stepping up and agreeing to monitor people in Isolation and Quarantine. All your efforts are helping to flatten the curve.

Thank you for your generosity to all the community members of Essex County!

With love, Jennifer





Dear Vana,

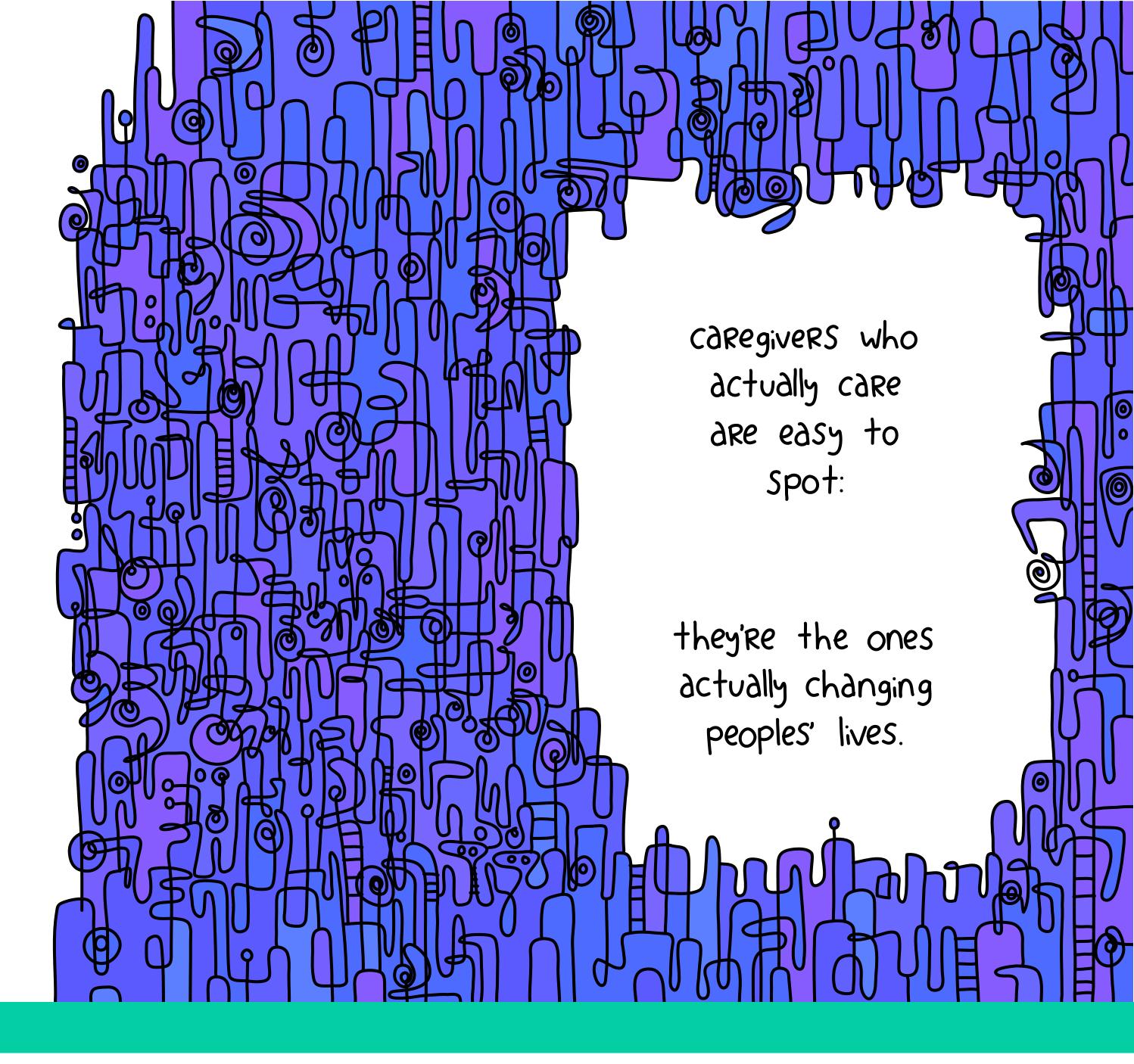
Thank you for being you.

As your boyfriend and best friend, I have seen the blood, sweat, and tears you have put into your career. There is nothing that can stand in the way of taking care of your patients. The world needs more nurses and people like you. It's pretty simple to see you were born to care for others.

The love and compassion that you give day in and day out is unmatched. I love you so much. You drive me to be the best person I can be, and I know you do the same for your patients.

From myself, our family, all of your patients, and co-workers...THANK YOU.

Love, Chris



Dear Belen,

The easy option would've been staying at your usual hospital in A Coruña, Spain, working in the pain unit. Instead, your commitment and dedication to others made you take a step forward to make a difference in this tough time.

Together with a wonderful medical team, you are now involved in guiding the people in charge of our nursing homes looking for the best way to protect and assist our elderly. We could not be more proud of you.

With love, Jose



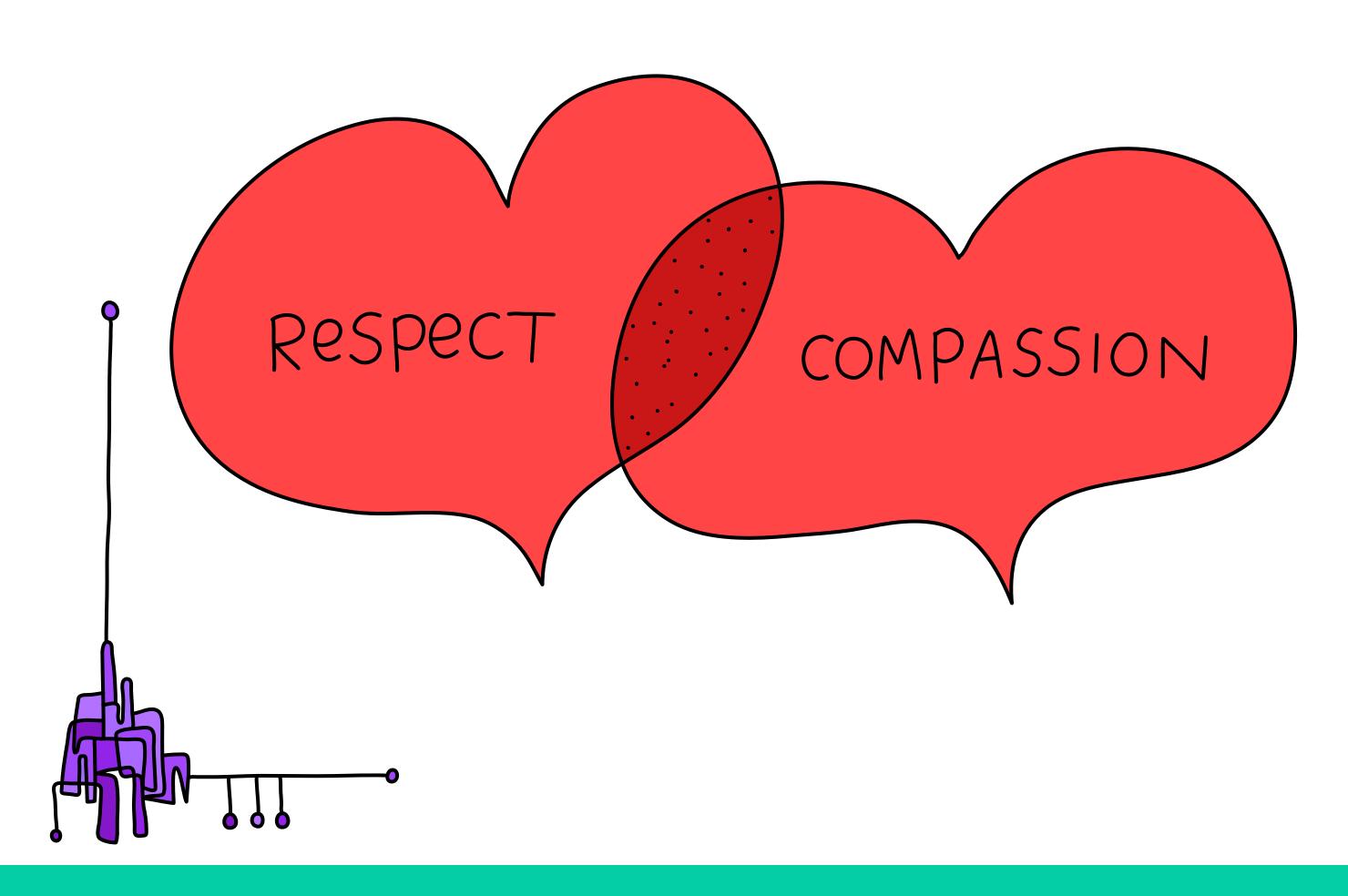
Dear Vanessa,

During the three weeks my mum, Jean, was in hospital, the care and compassion you showed her was exceptional.

Every day when you were rostered onto her ward you treated her with such dignity, respect and tenderness. But what was so incredible to me as Jean's daughter, even when you weren't responsible for dealing with mum, if you were on shift, you came in to visit and give her your beautiful smile and reassurance. That compassion was an absolute gift to her and me.

So thank you from the bottom of my heart for being the capable, caring, warm and compassionate nurse you are. Every patient you deal with is blessed to have you care for them.

With much gratitude, Pauline

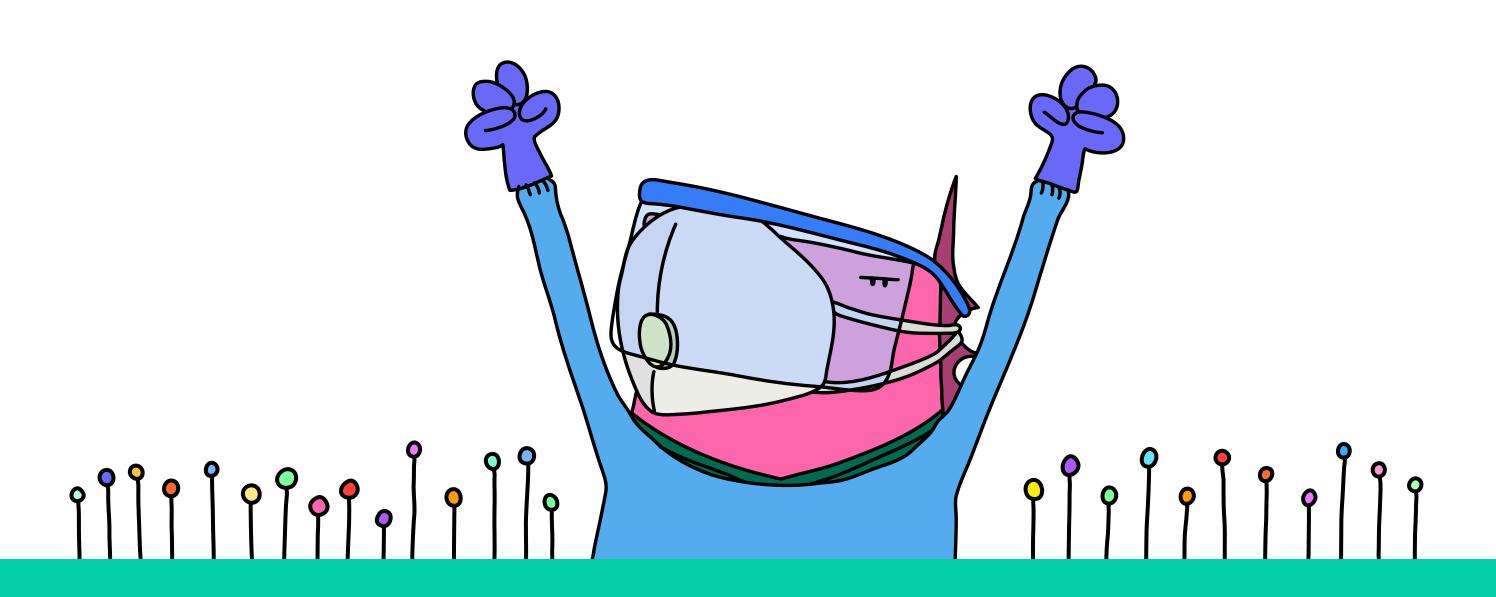


Dear Caitlin,

Thank you for continuing to go to work bringing new babies into the world. You are making a huge difference to so many growing families as a L&D nurse.

Thanks for staying calm and acting brave even when things are scary. You are so loved!

With love, Leah THANK YOU FOR LIVING BRAVELY.





Dear Canadian Nurses,

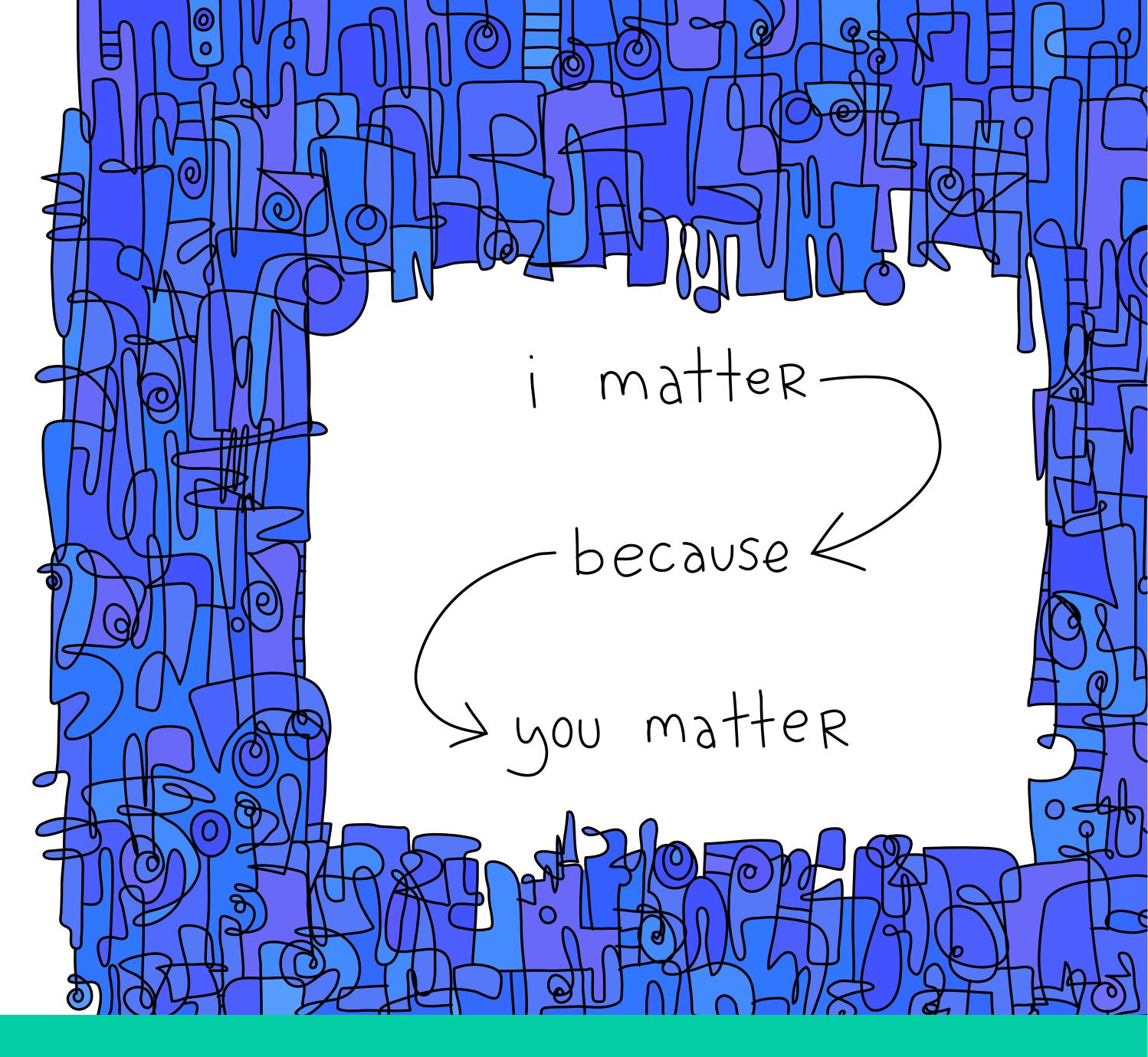
I've had asthma for as long as I can remember, and especially between the ages of 8 and 13 I was often hospitalized. But it's when I was 11 years old and had to stay not just for a day or two, but for at least two weeks that I remember most.

I remember how it felt like I was never going to leave that hospital - what was then Centenary Hospital in Scarborough. What I remember clearly was how long the nights were, strangely, how quiet it can be in a hospital around 3 AM, how every noise seemed to wake me up, and how much I appreciated when the night nurse would check in on me. I can clearly recall how kind all the nurses were to me, and distinctly remember liking how the nurses took the time to talk to me like an adult, explained to me what they were doing and why, and can see now how they adeptly managed my burgeoning understanding of the world without overwhelming me.

It's now my privilege to work for a company that distributes medical supplies so it's my honour to serve you, and I'll never forget how kind, intelligent and warm the nurses I've met in my life have always been.

Thank you for all you do.

With love, Geoff



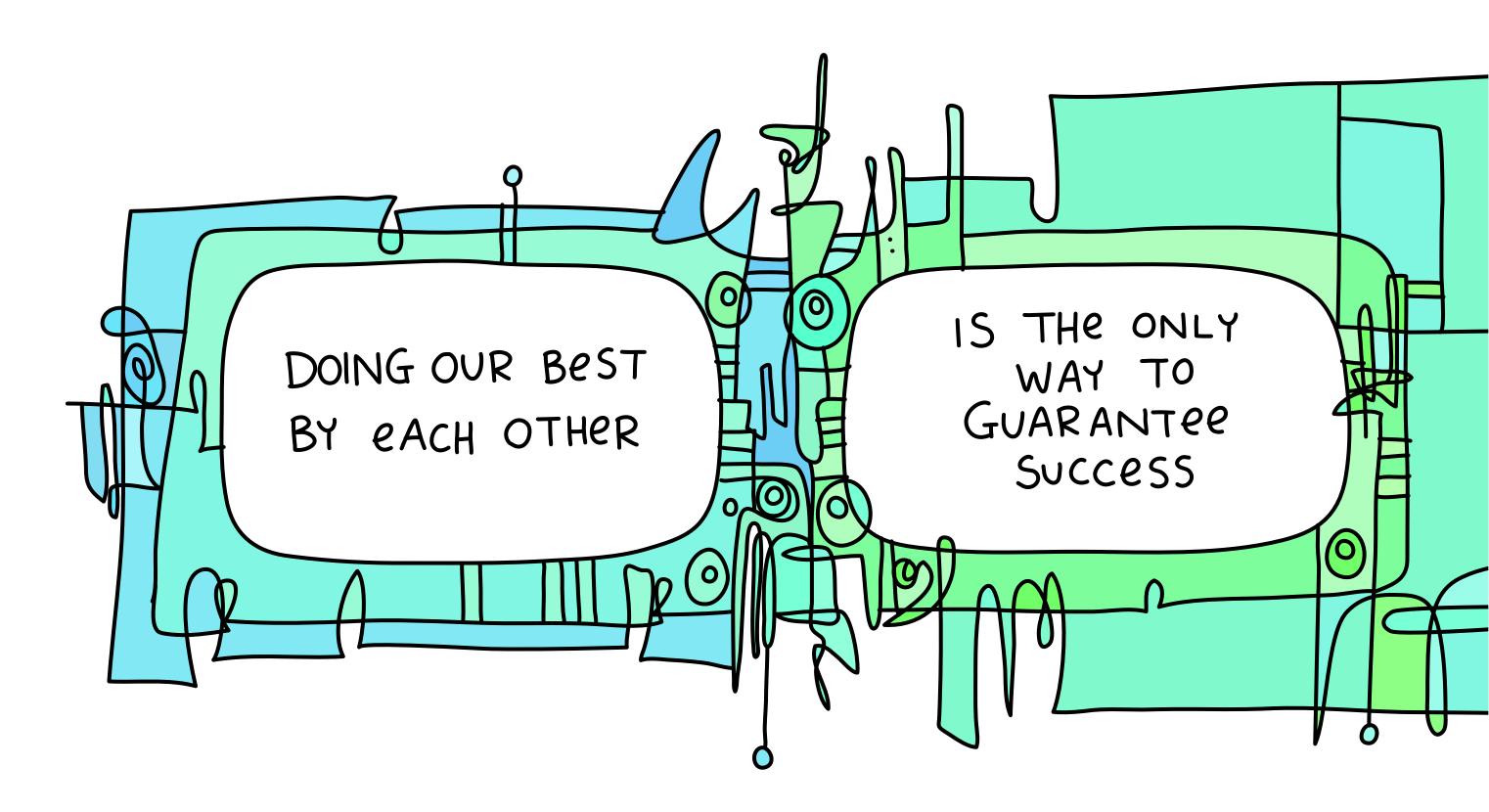
Dear Wendy,

Thank you for your commitment to nursing excellence, every day, and especially now as you lead our organization as Incident Commander for the COVID-19 crisis.

Your clinical expertise and putting patients and families first is making a difference for our community at a critical time.

You have empowered our nurses and they know they can achieve whatever they set their minds to doing—they will not be defeated by this virus.

With love, Georgia



Dear Ana,

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a time of uncertainty for us all, and the new all-mask environment now being enforced at Miami Cancer Institute has resulted in an environment that is colder and feels less intimate in a time that we need each other more than ever.

You have literally brought the color back into our lives with the handmade masks that you have given to your 40+ nursing colleagues. Instead of a sea of surgical masks, the infusion suite is a rainbow of colorful personalities expressed through pops of color and varying patterns.

Thank you for always being a source of positive inspiration for us all and reminding us through your words and actions to 'Be Kind Always.'

With love, Anna





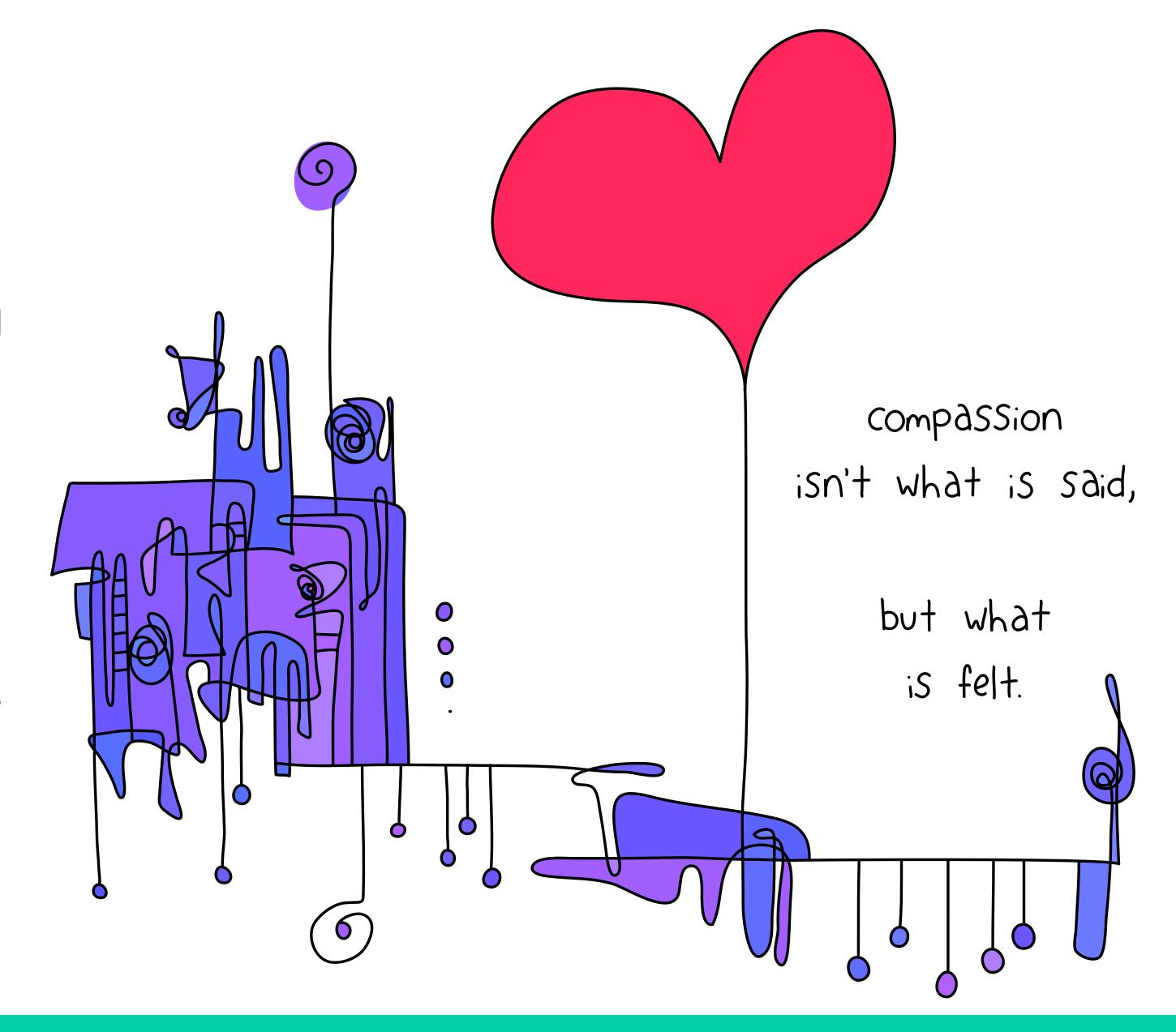
Dear Parker and Kacie,

I am in awe of the work you do. Whenever I tell people my little brother and his wife are children's trauma nurses, they respond with a heavy sigh and bafflement.

It takes people with such character and faith to show up for those kids everyday. I sense such compassion and care in the way you talk about your patients. I know that those children are so thankful for you, and I am too.

Thank you, thank you for giving your gift of service to the world.

With love, Lauren



To my dearest mother, Mary Ann and my sister, Anne,

I want to thank you for the useless information rattling around inside my head. I often get reminders f ashing in my mind of the two types of cones in my eyes or the different functions of the different types of f uids inside my own body. Not that this information is useless, but I'm an English teacher. I don't need to know these things.

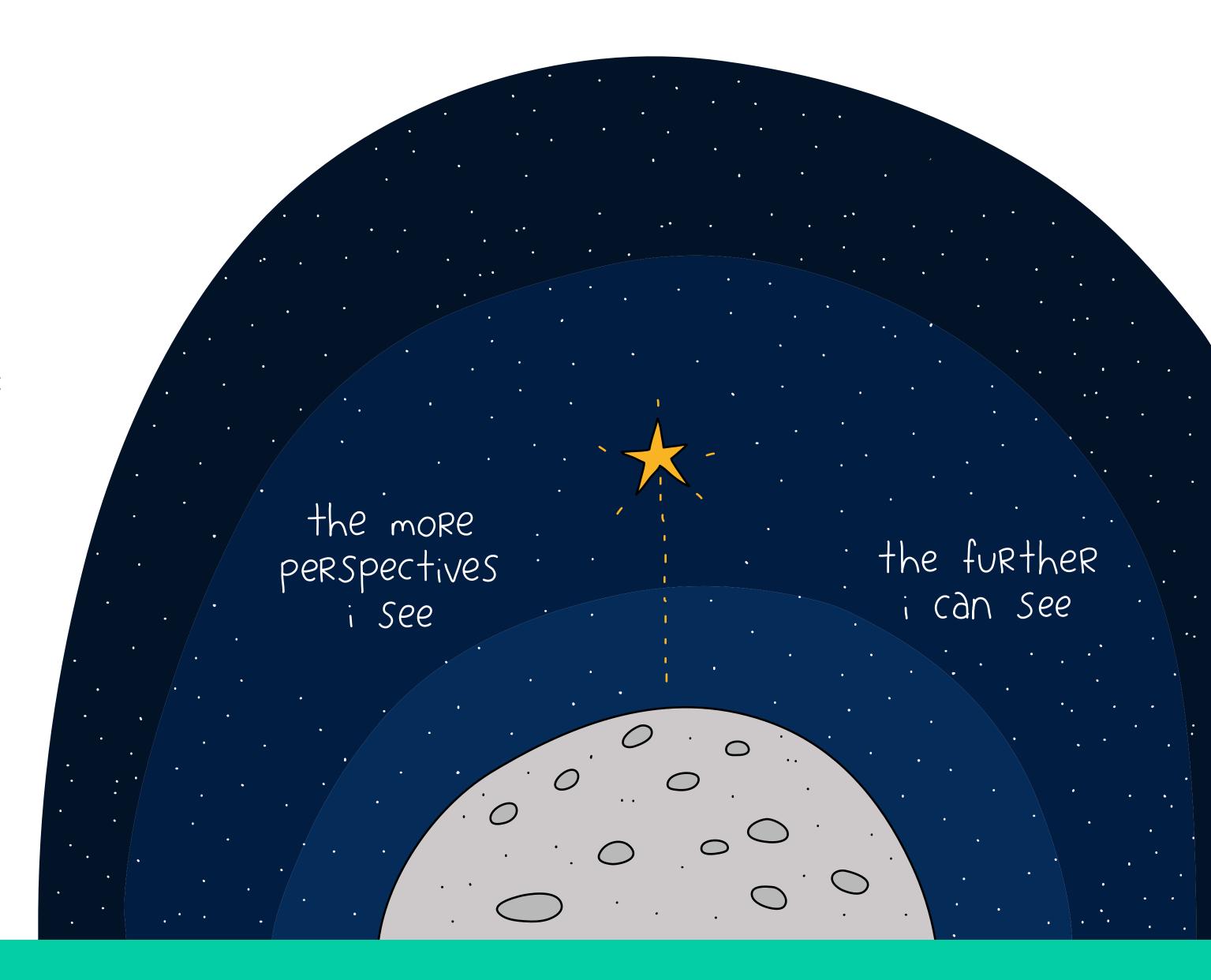
I do treasure the times and meals we had together all those years ago. I was a teen then, and now I turned fifty this year. I recall being grossed out by the descriptions of "What went on at work today". I learned about physical deformities, with gross descriptions of intubations and various surgeries all while trying to eat a nice meal.

Yeah, thanks for that.

I mean, having the images of the anatomy of my eyes inside my head is one thing, but what you guys must be facing now is on another level.

Please stay safe.

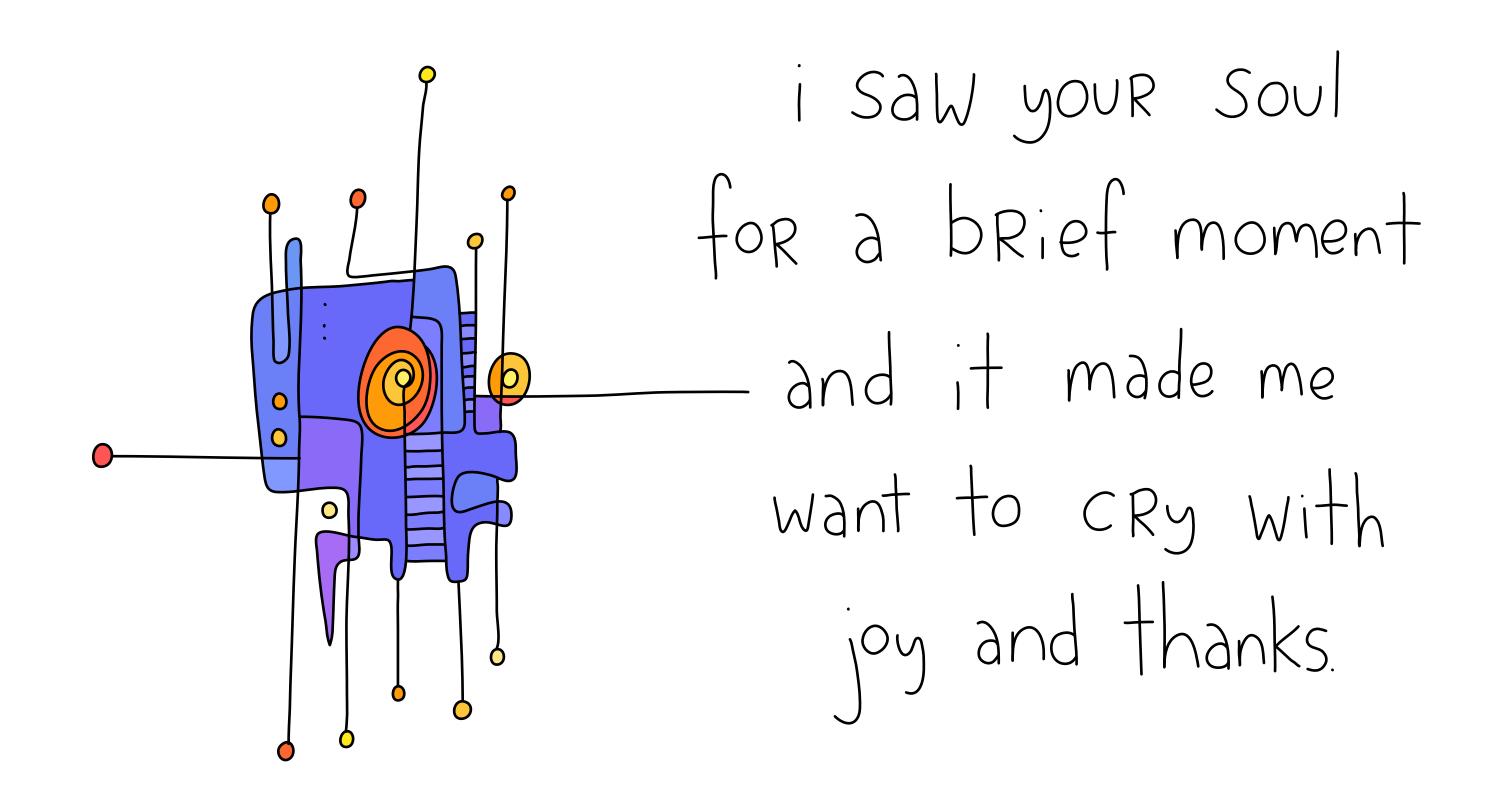
With love, Mark



Hi Ruby,

Thank you for taking such good care of my Mom in her last days.

Love, Cheryl





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