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### **PORCELAIN VENEERS**

Today we prepared your teeth for porcelain veneers. Porcelain veneers are the “state-of-the-art” in dentistry and will provide many years of beautiful smiles for you and we think that you have made an excellent decision.

Many recent studies from prominent universities have shown that an attractive smile is one of the most important features of “self-image”. These same studies showed that when people met others who had an attractive smile, they felt the person was more honest, more successful, and more pleasant to be associated with. Another study showed that when two people interviewed for a job, had the same credentials, and wore the same clothes, the individual with the attractive smile was more likely to get that job and even receive a higher starting salary!

During the next few weeks until your permanent porcelain veneers are ready, you may experience some of the following symptoms with your prepared teeth:

- **Sensitivity to cold** – This is very normal and will subside once your permanent veneers are placed. You may want to avoid drinking very cold liquids.
- **Roughness** – The roughness on the teeth actually increases the bond between the porcelain veneer and the teeth. Your permanent veneers will be very smooth.
- **Discoloration** – Since we removed the very outer layer of enamel, your teeth may appear slightly darker and may be more susceptible to staining. This will polish off when we place the permanent veneers.
- **“Teeth look more crooked”** Since we are going to straighten your teeth with the veneers, our preparation may have changed the shape of your teeth to make room for the new veneer. Remember, this is just a temporary stage and your new smile will be beautiful!

Our entire staff has been specially trained to provide this excellent restoration and continues to strive to provide state-of-the-art dental care that other dentists may find too time intensive or technique sensitive. This is what has set us apart from others.

As always, our goal is to provide the very highest quality dental care available and at the same time make you feel as special to us as possible. We realize you have chosen us to take care of you and your trust is never taken lightly. If there is anything we can do to make your dental treatment more comfortable or enjoyable, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Looking forward to seeing you again soon,

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