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Dear Colleagues,

I hope this communication finds everyone well, especially as we enter the end-of-year holiday season with so much going on around us. I have the honor of succeeding Dr. Ross Mayerhoff as president of the Michigan Otolaryngological Society. Under his leadership, we were able to hold an in-person Summer Meeting at Bay Harbor over the summer, a first in-person meeting for many of us during this strange time of the COVID-19 pandemic. We had one of our highest turnouts for the summer meeting, last summer.

As we continue to be challenged by this COVID pandemic and its variants, we have to exhibit resilience and patience in all aspects of our life. By working together as a professional society, colleagues and friends, I am sure we are going to overcome this difficult time. My goals for this year is to increase quarterly and summer meeting participation. We will propose two amendments to the bylaws that will hopefully increase participation in our society. First, we would like to have two positions on the board for residents to promote resident related educational and social activities during our quarterly and summer meetings. Second, we would like to invite advanced care providers, speech language pathologists, and other interested allied healthcare professional to become "Educational Affiliate Members" of our society to attend our meetings. These amendments will be circulated electronically to the entire membership for voting. We would also like to start a new tradition of honoring one long member with a lifetime achievement award at each of the Summer Meetings.

We are here for you, but we also need to hear from you about specific things that impact your practices. With the current move to temporary virtual meetings, we would also like to bring more statewide otolaryngologists in on a routine basis. Please encourage your friends and colleagues from the entire state to participate in on our quarterly/summer meetings which now are available virtually. As always, thank you to Ross Mayerhoff and Karen Carter for your leadership and support over the last year. Thank you all for continuing to provide excellent care to your patients in the face of the increasing challenges that 2021 brought.

Sincerely,

Tamer Ghanem, MD, PhD