Dear AAD Members:

I am honored to have been selected as a candidate for this year's Board of Directors. It is a very strong and accomplished slate, and I look forward to the opportunity to serve and represent you and the Academy if elected. I am grateful for the AAD and what is has meant to me throughout my career. I hope to give back to the membership with my time, leadership, energy and effort in further enhancing the importance of dermatology in the medical field to our patients, payors, pharmacies, pharmaceutical companies and our peers. It is vital that we preserve our role in medicine, in order to create the best patient outcomes and to support the training and education of residents and new graduates as they embark on their careers.

I have enjoyed a career in solo private practice, which evolved into a group, then large group practice, all while simultaneously working in clinical research, education, and resident training. This clinical experience, along with my time serving the AAD on many committees and organizations over the past 21 years, gives me a unique perspective to serve you in a balanced and thoughtful manner.

We are at a critical time in medicine with more requirements, legislation, compliance, technology demands, regulations, and pressure than we have ever had. Having a strong AAD presence is critical in supporting our membership in dealing with all of these as we head into the future. I would be honored to serve you as a Board member as we work together to accomplish the goals and aspirations we all have for our great specialty.

Sincerely,

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