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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Thank you for your support and confidence in electing us to lead your House of Delegates (HOD). We look forward to working side-by-side with you as we continue to make strides toward improving the health of all Texans.

While a lot of work goes into preparing business for the House, there is a tremendous amount of work generated as a result of actions taken at the meeting. This Speaker’s Letter will serve as a means of communicating follow-up on actions taken at the 2019 annual meeting. The 2019 Summary of Actions has been posted to the HOD website. It can be viewed here.

In addition, we also posted a draft copy of the 2019 Audit Trail, containing specific recommendations for referral that the TMA Board of Trustees will consider at the 2019 TMA Fall Conference. We hope these two resources will provide an update to all business considered by the HOD last month. We encourage you to share this information with your county medical society members over the summer and next fall.

Over the next several months, your speakers will be drafting new standing rules for the House to help streamline the way we conduct business, discussing the implementation of a less complex voting system, and working on creating a structure to allow for testimony prior to the start of reference committees.

We are excited to work with you and serve as we start our new roles as speaker and vice speaker. We look forward to seeing you at the 2019 TMA Fall Conference, Sept. 13-14, at the Hyatt Regency Lost Pines. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Speaker

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