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Dear Dr. Ruoff,

You were nominated by Garry Gaddis, MD, and Evan Schwarz, MD, to receive the Missouri College of Emergency Physicians R. R. Hannas Emergency Physician of the Year award. We are very pleased to notify you that you have been approved by the MOCEP Board of Directors to receive this prestigious award. Your demonstrated clinical expertise, outstanding service to patients, and contributions to the specialty of Emergency Medicine in Missouri makes you an excellent recipient for this award.

We had a large number of excellent nominees this year and decided to present the award to two deserving physicians. The other recipient is Charles Sheppard, MD, FACEP, of Mercy Hospital, Springfield.

This annual award recognizes both a Missouri emergency medicine physician and a resident in a Missouri emergency medicine residency program. The selected physicians will receive payment for the 4 day registration at ACEP's Scientific Assembly and reimbursement up to \$300 for travel or hotel expenses. The award will be presented at the Missouri Chapter's annual meeting, and the awardees are required to attend. Each will be reimbursed for up to one nights lodging. The MOCEP Annual Meeting will be held May 4, 2017, at the Hammons Heart Institute, 1325 E. Cherokee Street, Springfield, Mo. The meeting begins at 4:30 p.m.

This award is named after Dr. Ralston R. Hannas, a "founding father" of Emergency Medicine. Dr. Hannas is a past president of the American College of Emergency Physicians and was the co-organizer, with Dr. Wiegenstein, of the first Scientific Assembly in 1969. He was also chairman of the committee that founded the American Board of Emergency Medicine, served on the Board for twelve years and was the organization's fourth president. Dr. Hannas was also instrumental in helping organize the fifth Emergency Medicine residency program in the country, at Northwestern University, in 1973. In 1976 he moved to Kansas City where he practiced emergency medicine for 21 years.

We look forward to seeing you in Springfield on May 4, 2017, as we recognize and celebrate this honor with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Heidt', is centered below the text. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and a smaller 'H'.

Jonathan Heidt, MD, MHA, FACEP
President, MOCEP