

Gina M. Cardone, O.D.

Re: Letter of Intent for NYSOA 2024-2025 Secretary Position

Dear Fellow ODs,

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for the opportunity to have served as your Treasurer this past year. The experience has been invaluable, and it has prepared me thoroughly for the next step in my journey: advancing into the Secretary position.

Since 2005, I have been dedicated to serving our profession in various capacities, ranging from local society secretary, local society president, Metropolitan Regional trustee and then Treasurer of NYSOA. Each role has provided me with unique insights and skills that I believe will be invaluable as I transition into the role of Secretary.

One of the highlights as Treasurer was my involvement in the Strategic Planning Committee. This experience deepened my understanding of our association's purpose and priorities, and it reaffirmed my commitment to advancing the health and growth of our association and profession.

As Secretary, I am eager to further contribute to NYSOA by actively participating in committees and ensuring effective communication with our members. I am committed to fulfilling all my duties to the best of my abilities and to proudly representing our members and our association.

Living on Long Island, I believe I can offer a more rounded representation of our member population. My proximity allows me to reach out to more members in this region and keep everyone informed about NYSOA's plans and initiatives. While I am a member of the Suffolk Society, I have also made efforts to engage with the Nassau Society by attending their monthly meetings during my time as Treasurer and will continue to do so as Secretary.

I am deeply passionate about protecting and advancing our profession, and I am ready and willing to continue serving on the board to ensure our collective success. I am excited about the possibilities that lie ahead for our association, and I am eager to contribute to our continued growth and progress.

Thank you for considering me for the role of Secretary. I am confident that together, we can achieve great things for our profession.

Sincerely,

Gina M. Cardone, O.D.