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I am most pleased to share my reasons for why I would like to stand for reelection as an IAPB Group C Trustee.

While my recent service began in 2023, I was also a member of the board from 2003 to 2013. Therefore, I am aware of the need for such an entity as IAPB. It is the only organization that brings together the full scope of players throughout the world of preventing blindness. It needs and deserves energy and support.

The Ophthalmology Foundation now is the leading educational and fellowship provider in the world of ophthalmology, we bring a capacity for providing ophthalmic education worldwide to the entire spectrum of people providing eye care. It has been a pleasure to collaborate on the Systems Leadership 2030 In Sight focusing on Sub Saharan Africa. I look forward to its continued work in 2025 and beyond.

As an officer of the Ophthalmology Foundation, I can bring a perspective to IAPB of international ophthalmology and global eyecare. I previously served a 20-year leadership of the International Council of Ophthalmology and know firsthand the legalities of working in UK. In addition, I understand the location-based constraints and challenges for the IAPB global members. I am the founding CEO of the American Academy of Ophthalmology.

I am impressed with the evolution of IAPB and am enthusiastic about continuing to a positive participant in the discussion, decision making and implementation of the IAPB Board. I have the time, energy, ability to travel and linkages in ophthalmology worldwide.

I continue to be fully committed to working towards implementing the UN resolution of vision for everyone and IAPB's strategy of 2030 insight in achieving the SDG's.

My recent service to the Board has been invigorating. I would be honored to be re-elected to the Board representing the Ophthalmology Foundation to progress IAPB's important work.

Sincerely,

Bruce E. Spivey, MD, MS, MEd

Vice President