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Privilege to Serve

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My gracious appreciation to President Souzan El-Eid, MD for allowing me to be her guest columnist this month. I appreciate the opportunity to say thank you to all the CCMS members for giving me the "Privilege to Serve" them and organized medicine over the past five and half years. As I exit my tenure with CCMS, I look back at the journey with fond memories and with pride at the many goals we achieved together. Most importantly, I am appreciative of all the strong leadership among the presidents, trustees and members I have been honored to work with along the way. During my time, I had the distinct pleasure to serve under the presidencies of Howard Baron, MD; George Alexander, MD; Keith Brill, MD; Michael Edwards, MD; Andrew Eisen, MD and Souzan El-Eid, MD. During each leadership cycle we have grown the organization and raised community awareness in attendance to our mission to serve and safe guard physicians and their patients.

Among these accomplishments were many great milestones such as celebrating the 60-year anniversary of CCMS, the Ground-breaking of New Building, and soon will be the Grand Opening Celebration of the new of-ice Building! Through the many existing and innovative programs created, together we have been able to promote a positive image of the medical society, involve members in activities of the society and bring stability to organized medicine in Southern Nevada. We have cultivated relationships among stakeholders,

business leaders and collaborated with many community partners to ensure that CCMS is at the table and part of the solution surrounding GME, workforce pipeline, reimbursement, and practice of medicine issues impacting physicians and their patients' lives daily.

Being a member of the CCMS speaks volumes of your support of organized medicine. Participating in standing committees, physicians' day at the legislature, and being a delegate are among the many things you can do to strengthen the House of Medicine. Attending CCMS programs and events such as the Telemedicine (April 1st) and Payment Reform (May 11th) CMEs, Grand Opening of the new building on April 18th and the Presidential Installation Dinner on June 3rd demonstrates to your colleagues your commitment to your profession, to them and to your community.

While I am eager about my future endeavors, I cannot express enough how much I will miss my daily interactions with all of you, and specifically the CCMS Team. Again, I laud the past and current leadership and all the members of the society on the amazing work you do. I will always remain the society biggest cheerleader! It has been a privilege to work along-side all of you. As I head off to begin my next chapter, I hope to stay in touch.

The very best,
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