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Silvan E. Stool, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Stool:

Thank you very much for asking me to participate in your SENTAC exhibit.

SHORT BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH:

I completed my undergraduate medical training at the University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa. My Otolaryngology residency was completed at the University of Capetown in South Africa. I then began my career in Pediatric Otolaryngology at Children's Hospital and Medical Center of Cincinnati in 1975. At that time I was Co-Director of the Department of Pediatric Otolaryngology with Dr. Robin Cotton and intimately involved with the establishment of the Pediatric Otolaryngology Fellowship Program at Children's Hospital in Cincinnati. From 1981 I have been in San Diego, California. I am an Attending Associate Clinical Professor of Otolaryngology at the University of California, San Diego, and I'm on the senior staff in Pediatric Otolaryngology at Children's Hospital in San Diego. Currently I am the Director of the Fellowship Training Program in Pediatric Otolaryngology at Children's Hospital of San Diego.

From its formation, SENTAC has been a forum for exchange of new and innovative ideas amongst otolaryngologists, audiologists, speech pathologists and pediatricians and others interested in the field of Pediatric ear, nose and throat and communication disorders. The Society has always epitomized for me the loftiest ideals of collegial interchange of information. Inherent in the title of the organization, i.e., Society for Ear, Nose and Throat Advances in Children, has always been a thrust to present to colleagues new, innovative, challenging, and occasionally daring concepts in our field. Strong bonds of friendship and liaisons across various disciplines related to the field of Pediatric ear, nose and throat and communication problems have been facilitated by the development of SENTAC. With the establishment of the American Society of Pediatric Otolaryngology and the continuing

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activities of the American Academy of Pediatric Section of Otolaryngology and Bronchoesophagology, at one stage there was concern that the role of SENTAC had been surpassed. In fact, the opposite has proven to be true. SENTAC continues to be a strong vibrant forum for exchange of information. The same founding principles that established its guidance in the early formative years have withstood the test of time and from my vantage point at present, I see SENTAC continuing to be a dynamic organization, fulfilling a very vital niche in the study and understanding of ear, nose and throat and communication diseases in children.

With warm personal regards,

Allan B. Seid, M.D.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Allan B. Seid". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

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