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Mark E. Sobel, M.D., Ph.D.
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9650 Rockville Pike
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Dear Dr. Sobel,

Thank you for the Intersociety Council for Pathology Information Trainee Travel Award which provided support for me to attend the 2007 CAP annual meeting. At the meeting, I presented my poster entitled "Glypican 3: A Novel Diagnostic Marker for Hepatoblastoma." I have recently published this study in Human Pathology, October 2007.

I was also able to attend the Resident's Forum, for the second time, which meets in conjunction with the CAP annual meeting. At the Resident's Forum I presented a resolution which I authored entitled "Recommendation for CAP Foundation Resident Research Grant" which proposed competitive small grants (\$500 to \$5000) to pathology residents to fund small basic science or clinical research projects. This resolution was voted upon and passed. I have enclosed a copy of the resolution. In addition to presenting a resolution, I participated in voting for other resolutions, voting for new resident officers, and was active in small group discussions with other residents and faculty to identify important issues in pathology residency programs. I enjoy the Resident's Forum and find it a very useful way to interact with other residency programs, make positive changes in pathology training, and become involved in leadership in our field.

I am enclosing my expenses including registration fees and transportation. Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debra Zynger MD". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "D" and "Z".

Debra Zynger, M.D.

Encl: receipts (2 pages), CAP resolution

CAP Residents Forum Resolution

Recommendation for CAP Foundation Resident Research Grant

SUBMITTED BY: Debra Zynger, MD (Delegate – Illinois)

WHEREAS competitive large grants exist to provide support for pathology residents to conduct full time long term research (6 months minimum), and

WHEREAS there are competitive national travel awards to allow pathology residents to attend scientific meetings to present abstracts, and

WHEREAS attending physicians are experiencing more difficulty finding financial resources to participate in research, and

WHEREAS research opportunities for pathology residents at many institutions are limited due to lack of funding, and

WHEREAS there are no competitive grants offered by pathology national societies to support small research projects by pathology residents, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the College of American Pathologists Residents Forum recommend that the College of American Pathologists Foundation offer competitive small grants (\$500 to \$5000) to pathology residents to fund small basic science or clinical research projects.