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This remains a dynamic time for all of us. I encourage your ongoing participation. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the executive; Dr. Baillie; the thoughtful and considered approach of Dr. Jacob Karsh who has given us great counsel while steering us through the Canadian Revenue Agency concerns; and Dr. Jamie Henderson, who was a steady navigator and commentator on ongoing activities. I welcome Dr. Joanne Homik who is the new Vice-President of the CRA.

It goes without saying that this organization's success is led by our Secretariat, Virginia Hopkins, Sharon Brinkos, and Christine Charnock, who currently holds the title of Manager and will assume new responsibilities in leading the CRA in our new governance models.

Finally, I would like to thank all the chairs of committee, leads in various activities, and all members for their support over the past year. I look forward to a revitalized CRA, based on strong financial footings, a new governance structure, strong leadership, and an enthusiastic membership.

It has been my privilege to serve you.

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