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I nominate James W. Gigantelli, Jr., MD, FACS, for Associate Membership in the American Ophthalmological Society.

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I have known James Gigantelli, Jr. since 2000 when he joined the faculty and staff of the Department of Ophthalmology as an assistant professor. Dr. Gigantelli is an excellent physician and surgeon admired by patients and colleagues for his warm personal care, his interest in their ophthalmological problems as well as their personal lives and families.

Dr. Gigantelli has a large clinical practice in Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery and Orbital disease, caring for patients at the Truhlsen Eye Institute. He teaches medical students and residents, conducts clinics and has a Fellow. He has 21 publications in peer reviewed journals.
He has had four funded research grants. His clinical interests focus on improved diagnostic accuracy of orbital tumors and innovative therapies for orbital inflammatory diseases, particularly thyroid disease.

Dr. Gigantelli is a board certified Fellow of the American Society of Ophthalmic Plastic/Reconstructive Surgery and serves on the Advocacy Committee and Chairs the Membership Thesis Committee. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and has served on the Academy Council and several Academy committees. He has served as a peer reviewer for OPHTHALMOLOGY, INVESTIGATIVE OPHTHALMOLOGY & VISUAL SCIENCES, OPHTHALMIC PLASTIC AND RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY and the Journal AAPOS.

Dr. Gigantelli earned a B.S., magna com laude degree from the University of Southern California in 1981 and received his M.D. degree from Vanderbilt University in 1985. He had his internship at Vanderbilt University Hospital, his Residency in Ophthalmology at Baylor College of Medicine and had a Fellowship in Oculoplastic/Orbital Surgery, Ocular Oncology at Duke University. He is currently Professor of Ophthalmology and the Visual Sciences at the University of Nebraska Medical Center and is a Courtesy Professor of Otorhinolaryngology and is serving as as the Interim Chairman of Department of Ophthalmology and Medical Director. He is an Assistant Dean of Governmental Affairs at UNMC.

James has participated significantly to local, state and national medical societies.

He has held several positions in the American College of Surgeons. He was a member of the Board of Governors and served as Chairman of the Advisory Committee for ophthalmic surgery. He was was recently reappointed as a member of the Board of Regents of the American College of Surgeons.

He has provided book chapters in nine books. He has given 105 invited presentations He has served as a board examiner for the American Board of Ophthalmology.

He has been appointed to many committees at the University of Nebraska Medical center.

James has an engaging personality and would be a collegial well received member of the Society.

Seconding letters:

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Respectfully submitted, Stanley M. Truhlsen, MD, FACS

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RE: seconding letter; nomination of James W. Gigantelli, Jr. MD

Dear Dr. Truhlsen:

It is my pleasure to second your nomination of Dr. Gigantelli for membership in the American Ophthalmological Society. I have known Dr. Gigantelli since my days as his residency program director during his ophthalmology residency at Baylor College of Medicine. He served briefly on my faculty at the Dean McGee Eye Institute at the University of Oklahoma, and I have worked with him in a number of capacities since that time. I therefore feel well informed as to his suitability for membership in AOS.

Dr. Gigantelli's career has been entirely in academic medicine as an oculoplastic surgeon. He is a talented, ethical, and compassionate clinician and surgeon. His 25 year academic career has seen a steady upward mobility through the academic ranks to Professor at the University of Nebraska and Interim Chair of the Truhlsen Eye Institute. He has 21 peer-reviewed publications to his credit and is a skilled professional speaker.

Notably, Dr. Gigantelli has also become very involved in the American College of Surgeons and his advocacy for ophthalmology in that important organization is well-respected. He has also served on several American Academy of Ophthalmology committees.

I consider him well-qualified for membership in the American Ophthalmological Society, and I thank you for the opportunity to second Dr. Gigantelli's nomination.

Sincerely,

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RE: Seconding nomination for
James W. Gigantelli, Jr. M.D.

It is my pleasure to second the nomination of James W. Gigantelli, Jr. M.D. for membership in the American Ophthalmological Society. I had the pleasure of working with Dr. Gigantelli when we served together on the Ophthalmology section of the American College of Surgeons.

He is an outstanding individual and an extremely hard worker. During our time together he was voted in a leadership position in the college as a regent.

Jim's interest in ophthalmology is broad-based, covering academic and clinical Ophthalmology. He has also been involved in the political arena for medicine as an ophthalmologist, and an advocate for both Ophthalmology and medicine.

We will be very fortunate to have Dr. Gigantelli as a member of the AOS and I wholeheartedly support his desire to be with our group.

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Hans Grossniklaus, MD
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Dear Dr. Grossniklaus,

I write in support of the nomination of James Gigantelli, MD for membership in the American Ophthalmologic Society.

I have known Dr. Gigantelli for several years. We met when we both were serving on the Council of the American Academy of Ophthalmology. More recently we have been members of the Ophthalmic Surgery Advisory Council and Board of Governors of the American College of Surgeons, where I serve as our Society's representative. Dr. Gigantelli recently has been elevated to the Board of Regents of the College.

Dr. Gigantelli is a vigorous advocate for our specialty at the highest level of governance in the College, and an influential voice in our Advisory Council. He has been of great assistance to me in my responsibility for Ophthalmology presentations at the Annual Meeting program for the past two years. Beyond that, he has been very cordial and we have had several pleasant discussions and informal exchanges.

In my opinion Jim Gigantelli will be readily accepted as an AOS colleague and an active contributor to the Society's academic and social activities. I recommend him without reservation for membership.

Sincerely yours,

Edward L.Raab, MD