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The 125 Strong Campaign is a two-year fundraising effort launched in 2021 in commemoration of the 125th anniversary of the Academy as a specialty organization under the leadership of Carol R. Bradford, MD, MS, Immediate Past President of the Academy. The 125 Strong Campaign was derived from AAO-HNS/F membership ideas and passions with the goal to raise funds needed to complement existing programs and to help build programs in four key areas that will have an immediate impact and help shape the future of the specialty. The four key areas of the campaign are:

**Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Program:**
Advancing equitable ear, nose, and throat, and head and neck care and attracting diversity in the otolaryngology community

**Education Program:**
Using digital learning tools and resources to further otolaryngology education while optimizing and advancing remote learning

**Leadership Development and Mentorship Program:**
Creating and building a strong pipeline of capable, future leaders

**Wellness Program:**
Enhancing the quality of otolaryngology care by cultivating physician well-being and resilience

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DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

To break the cycle of inequity impacting promotion, advancement, pay, tenure, awards, and recognition, we must define the issues and obstacles and then act to break down barriers for the good of all. In so doing, the future success of our specialty on a global scale is solidified and further assured.

Angela M. Powell, MD
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EDUCATION

The 125th fundraising campaign is the perfect opportunity for those with a passion for education to participate in the development of some exciting new projects. I am confident your support will propel us even further to be the best clinicians we can be throughout our careers.

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LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND MENTORSHIP

Creating a strong pipeline of capable leaders is imperative for the Academy. We are fortunate to have individuals who are the best and the brightest in medicine and volunteer selflessly to the organization. To make the most of the energy and enthusiasm that they bring, it is our responsibility to provide leadership development and mentorship that will build the pipeline of leaders for the future of our specialty.

Kathleen L. Yaremchuk, MD, MSA
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With health and wellness at the center of the conversation and a strategic priority in celebration of our 125-year anniversary, please join us in investing in each other and our collective future.

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*Charleston, SC*

The specialty has been such an important part of my life and practicing otolaryngology has been such a fulfilling career for me that I wanted to give back to help secure the future of our specialty for the next generation of otolaryngologists. I wanted to provide resources so that others may pursue an idea that may change the world, to support underrepresented otolaryngologists by opening the doors of opportunity and advancement, to help recruit and shape tomorrow’s leaders, and to fund education where the offerings continually blow me away—these are the reasons that inspire me to give back to the foundation and the specialty.

**Jonathan Y. Ting, MD, MS, MBA**  
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I became a Lifetime Donor in support of the great work that the AAO-HNS/F does to improve clinical care, education, and research that supports our patients, residents and colleagues. I received a resident research grant from the AAO-HNSF and have benefited from many of the offerings through the AAO-HNS. Through my donation, I hope to ensure we are developing leaders that can improve the quality of care we deliver, advocate for our specialty, and offer education and mentorship to the next generation.

**Joan T. Zajtchuk, MD**  
*Chicago, IL*

Dr. Zajtchuk’s and her husband Dr. Russ Zajtchuk’s joint gift in support of the Women in Otolaryngology (WIO) Endowment fund was made in memory of the seven pioneering woman otolaryngologists of the 70s and 80s. Dr. Joan Zajtchuk, as one of these seven, can tell their stories on a personal level. “All of us were surprised by the attention given to us by their male colleagues as we met informally at national meetings. These social meetings became annual. Russ and I like to think that this early initiative was the start of the formal recognition of the WIO Section of the AAO-HNS.” Through their philanthropic gift, they envision the establishment of educational, research, or leadership development initiatives within the WIO Section.

The Millennium Society is the AAO-HNS foundation’s donor recognition society, recognizing those members who have made a charitable gift of at least $1,000 to the 125 Strong Campaign/Annual Fund in the 2021 calendar year or at least $5,000 to a Hal Foster, MD Endowment fund. The AAO-HNS foundation thanks its member donors for giving back to their specialty and in helping to shape its future.

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