To: Academy Members and Subscribers Journal of Orofacial Pain

For years friends and colleagues of Harold Perry, Editorial Chairman of this journal, have been the beneficiaries of his contributions to our scientific and clinical community: his teaching skills, his energy, his wit, his integrity, and above all his friendship.

We understand how much suffering Hal and his wife, Lynn, are experiencing due to the serious illness of their daughter Dana, and we wish to express our care and concern.

Hal feels it necessary to be relieved of some of his responsibilities. While we respect his decision to resign as our Editorial Chairman, we are most reluctant to accept his resignation.

The Publications Committee of the Journal of Orofacial Pain, AAOP President Michael Kreisberg, and President-elect Donald Seligman proposed that Hal accept a 1-year leave of absence from his responsibilities as Editorial Chairman of this journal, which he has nurtured from its initial issue to its premier status. We are grateful that Hal has agreed to this recommendation and are indebted to Dr Charles McNeill, who has accepted the position of Acting Editorial Chairman.

We pray for the recovery of Hal and Lynn's daughter and for a Greater Power to give the Perry family added strength during this period of suffering and stress.

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