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Dear ASRCT Members,

I am honoured and privileged to represent the ASRCT and you. Regretfully, I am unable to join you as I have had a prior commitment of going to rural Alberta to learn about rural medicine. Thus I have asked Larry Leduc to speak on my behalf.

I would like to take a brief moment of your time to introduce myself as your incoming president.

My name is Murtaza Amirali. I have been a Cardiology Technologist for the past 5 years working at all three sites in Calgary, however I am based out of the Peter Lougheed Centre (just a few blocks down from here). In addition to my training as a cardiology technologist, I have a Bachelor of Science, Health Administration Diploma, and Masters in Biomedical Technology. I am currently a medical student at the University of Calgary.

With regards to the ASRCT, I have had the pleasure of presenting with you at previous AGMs as well as representing you as Co-Chair on the Health Professional Act Committee. Mr. Leduc will update you soon, and I am excited at the progress we've made to date.

As a member of the executive board, I'd like to let you know that we are here for you and are working for you. Thus I encourage your perspective and participation in any aspect of the association. You will be provided my personal contact information via the website. Thus please do not hesitate to contact anyone of the executives or myself for any ideas, questions or concerns that you may have.

I would also like to thank the executive board for their commitment and dedication. I am honoured and privileged in their decision and trust to have me as the incoming president. Also, a well-deserved appreciation for Mr. Larry Leduc for his hard work, leadership, and energy as his term as president. Without his efforts, the association would not have accomplished the great work that we have.

Lastly, I'd like to thank you for the continual support of the ASRCT through your membership and participation in today's education activities and AGM. It is because of your membership and enthusiasm that we have made such progress in the past few years and the reason for our success as an association and organization.

I am looking forward to what we can accomplish in the coming months!

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