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Joseph D. Zuckerman, MD, Becomes American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons First Vice President

SAN FRANCISCO—Joseph D. Zuckerman, MD, an active participant in the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons (AAOS) for over 25 years, today was named Academy First Vice President during the organization’s 75th Annual Meeting in San Francisco.

As a practicing orthopaedic surgeon, Dr. Zuckerman realizes the importance of addressing the needs of his colleagues. In his role as First Vice President, he will focus on making an impact on Academy membership.

“Balancing the needs, issues and concerns of our members is of utmost importance to me,” Zuckerman said. “I want our Fellows to recognize the Academy as the ‘go to’ resource for not only education, research and advocacy but for practice management also.”

A graduate of Cornell University in New York and the Medical College of Wisconsin, Dr. Zuckerman completed his internship and residency at the University of Washington, and a fellowship at Harvard’s Brigham and Women’s Hospital, in addition to duties as a visiting clinician in shoulder surgery at the Mayo Clinic. Currently, Dr. Zuckerman is chairman of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases and the Walter A.L. Thompson professor of orthopaedic surgery at NYU School of Medicine. Dr. Zuckerman specializes in shoulder surgery and hip and knee replacements.

Dr. Zuckerman added, “The AAOS is a dynamic and innovative organization that responds quickly to any challenges and issues that may arise. I have great respect for all of my fellow members who volunteer their time to make the AAOS a leader among medical associations. Our dedicated staff continuously pushes the envelope to enhance the practice of orthopaedics. It is a privilege for me to serve in this role.”

Main Priorities as First Vice President:

- Enhance our ability to provide outstanding patient care
- Increase awareness of the practice management resources available to our members
- Continue our emphasis on orthopaedic education, advocacy and research