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Dear Fellow Academicians and Colleagues:

We would like to welcome you to the 80th Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Neurological Surgery, to be held at The Breakers in Palm Beach, Florida, October 24-27, 2018. For your convenience, all activities will be held on the magnificent Breakers property. After your arrival, please join us at the Opening Reception on Wednesday, October 24, at 6:30 pm at the Ocean Lawn. Scientific sessions will take place Thursday, Friday, and Saturday mornings. On Thursday evening, we are planning a special event in the Mediterranean Courtyard. This will be a casual event with reception and dinner. On Friday evening, please join our black tie optional reception and dinner at the elegant Venetian Ballroom. Spouses will not want to miss the Friday morning book club; Candice Shy Hooper will be discussing her book "*Lincoln's Generals' Wives*."

Our scientific program committee has assembled an outstanding group of speakers and sessions. Special guest, David McLean, the National Geographic photographer, will be speaking about "Blue Zones" and longevity and Football Hall of Famer, Fran Tarkenton will be interviewed by Sanjay Gupta about the "best kept secret in professional sports." The program will include introduction of the Ed Oldfield Lectureship, the Academy Scholars program and a new program on K-grant mentoring for junior faculty.

For more than a century, The Breakers has made meetings memorable and events engaging. The rich heritage and elegant beauty of the resort provides a spectacular setting for our Annual Meeting. Services and amenities include two 18-hole championship golf courses, 10 Har-Tru tennis courts with professional lessons available, and The Spa (561.653.6656) located on-property overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, offers a range of treatments for anyone who chooses to enjoy a moment of relaxation. The unparalleled beachfront experience, reminiscent of the French Riviera and Caribbean, beckons with swimming pools, private beach, variety of water sports and poolside bungalows. Dining and entertainment on-site includes The Circle, The Beach Club Restaurant, Ocean House, The Surf Break, Seafood Bar, Flagler Steakhouse, HMF, Echo and The Italian Restaurant. Enjoy breathtaking views of the Atlantic from the 6,000-square foot, indoor-outdoor

fitness center. Golf will be arranged by Dr. Mark Hadley with tee times available Thursday and Friday afternoons at the Ocean and The Breakers Rees Jones Courses. Dr. Mike Vogelbaum has organized tennis on Friday, October 26. New this year is charter fishing on both Thursday, October 25, and Friday, October 26, with Angler Management Fishing just minutes from The Breakers.

A block of guest rooms (up to 150 on peak days) at a rate of \$330.00 per night has been reserved for our members at the resort. Inspired by the tropical oceanfront location, all guest rooms and suites are newly redesigned and updated with fresh décor in a distinctive and classic style, custom-designed furnishings and fixtures, marble bathrooms, complimentary Wi-Fi and flat screen TVs. At your convenience, please make your Breakers reservation by using our special reservations link <https://book.passkey.com/go/AANS18>. If you encounter problems, please contact the reservation line at 1.888.273.2537 and remind them you are booking for the American Academy of Neurological Surgery 2018 Annual Meeting. Please make your booking **no later than September 7, 2018**. After that date, rooms and special rates cannot be guaranteed. Also, be reminded that the room block may run out well before the deadline. So, don't delay!

Make your airline travel arrangements through one of the following airports:

- Palm Beach International Airport (PBI): Closest. 6miles/15mns drive, serviced by Air Canada, American Airlines, BahamasAir, Delta, Frontiers, Jet Blue, Silver, Southwest, Spirit, Sun and United.
- Fort Lauderdale International Airport (FLL): Includes 4 terminals. 50 miles/55 mns drive. Serviced by the same Airlines and many more.

You also have the option of using Miami International Airport (MIA), which is 75 miles/ 1 hr, 25 mns away. Rental cars and taxis are available at all airports.

Official registration materials for the meeting are attached.

We look forward to welcoming you to an outstanding scientific and social meeting in a spectacular setting.

Sincerely,



Dan & Mollie Barrow  
*Academy President*



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*Meeting Chair*