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Dear Dr. Acton:

On behalf of the Ohio Dermatological Association (ODA), I would like to express our appreciation and gratitude for the outstanding work you, Governor Mike DeWine and Lt. Governor Jon Husted have done during the Coronavirus pandemic.

Our membership greatly appreciates your hard work and dedication to protecting the lives of Ohioans and people across the country. As we navigate these unknown and challenging times, our members, our board of directors and the ODA COVID-19 task force looks upon your office for guidance and leadership.

Please know that we have followed your lead (and that of Governor Mike DeWine) by developing protocols (www.ohderm.org) for addressing patient and community safety during this pandemic with the goal of maintaining social distancing and conserving personal protective equipment for our front line healthcare providers. As dermatologists, we are also well suited to utilize telemedicine to help patients avoid unnecessary urgent care and emergency department visits.

I hope you, your staff and families stay safe and healthy and we appreciate your support in keeping our state and global community safe during these unprecedented times.

Sincerely,

Timothy Chang, MD

President, Ohio Dermatological Association