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Masunori Matsuzaki, MD, PhD  
President, the Japanese Circulation Society

Dear Professor Matsuzaki:

As we commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and the introduction of this life-saving technique to Japan 20 years ago, I am honored to recognize the Japanese Circulation Society's decade-long collaboration with the American Heart Association. We share common commitments to reduction of death and disability from heart disease and stroke, and providing people with the skills to save lives.

Over this past decade, JCS members have made significant research contributions annually to both AHA's Scientific Sessions and Resuscitation Science Symposium and these contributions have been critical to the success of these meetings. Early on, the JCS adopted the AHA's Emergency Cardiovascular Care program and mandated that all JCS board-certified members acquire ACLS certification. JCS members were among the original group of AHA instructors in Japan who traveled to the United States to receive training. Today, there are over 220 JCS BLS and ACLS instructors. As one of the AHA's major International Training Centers in Japan, the JCS has trained tens of thousands of people in CPR. Through this dedication to ECC science and training, the JCS has been fundamental in increasing the survivor rate of sudden cardiac arrest and stroke victims in Japan.

I am honored to recognize the following individuals for their outstanding contributions in support of AHA training as In-Country Volunteer Reviewers of Japanese language training materials as well as dedicated Faculty and Instructors:

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free of cardiovascular  
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Without the tremendous efforts of JCS leadership and its members, AHA would not be where it is today in improving survival world-wide. We are proud to have been partners with JCS over the past ten years and look forward to saving more lives together for decades to come.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'G. Tomaselli', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Gordon F. Tomaselli, MD  
President  
American Heart Association/American Stroke Association