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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter of support for Dr. William Sacco and The Sacco Triage Method System. Dr. Sacco has been an international leader in the field of emergency management, triage and mass casualty events for decades. Many communities nationally and globally continue to use his methodology or variations of his work. His work has consistently been driven by the best science available at the time. Triage protocols today continue to improve but there are still gaps in many areas. The current Sacco Triage Method (STM) addresses many of the contemporary challenges that still exist and provides a common, easily understood and replicable means of categorizing patients at a local, state, regional and national level.

I would urge all community and national EMS leaders to evaluate, review and test this methodology as a potential improved triage tool.

Sincerely,



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