



April 25, 2026

Re: Letter of Support for Adam H. Kaufman, MD, FACS — EBAA Secretary/Treasurer

Dear EBAA Members,

I am pleased to offer my strong support for the re-election of Adam H. Kaufman, MD, FACS, as Secretary/Treasurer of the EBAA Board of Directors. I have known Adam for approximately 10 years through EBAA and the eye banking community, and I have consistently found him to be thoughtful, steady, well prepared, and deeply committed to the mission of restoring sight. He brings the judgment, integrity, and practical experience that are especially important for this role.

Adam is already serving effectively as EBAA Secretary/Treasurer and Chair of the Finance Committee. That role requires more than simply reviewing numbers. It requires careful stewardship, an understanding of the realities facing eye banks of different sizes, and the ability to connect financial decisions to EBAA's mission, standards, and long-term stability. Adam has shown that he approaches this responsibility with diligence, fairness, and a clear sense of accountability and intentional thinking.

His experience is unusually well suited to the work of the Board. Adam has been involved with EBAA for more than 30 years and has contributed across multiple areas of the organization, including the Accreditation Board, the Scientific Programs Committee, and the Position and Policy Subcommittee of the Medical Advisory Board. That breadth of service gives him a practical understanding of how EBAA functions and how Board decisions affect accreditation, medical policy, education, finance, and the day-to-day work of member eye banks.

Adam also brings a substantial record of leadership from Cincinnati. He has served for many years as Medical Director and Executive Board member of the Cincinnati Eye Bank, where he has gained direct experience with governance, financial oversight, quality systems, compliance, and the operational realities of eye banking. At the University of Cincinnati Department of Ophthalmology, he has held multiple leadership roles, including Residency Program Director and Vice Chair of Education, and he is recognized for his work in cornea, refractive surgery, uveitis, and medical education. This combination of academic, clinical, educational, and eye bank leadership gives him a perspective that is both broad and grounded.

What I appreciate most about Adam is the way he contributes. He is reliable, collaborative, and balanced and thoughtful. He listens carefully, does his homework, and speaks with the perspective of someone who understands both the physician's role and the essential work of eye bankers. In a national organization where strong medical leadership remains important, Adam is one of the MD leaders I trust to represent EBAA's standards, its member eye banks, and the patients and donor families we ultimately serve.

I believe Adam's continued service as Secretary/Treasurer will strengthen the Board and provide continuity in a role that benefits from experience, discipline, and trust. I am grateful for his willingness to continue serving and am pleased to recommend him enthusiastically for re-election.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Winston Chamberlain". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "W".

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