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To

Hyeoun-Ae Park

Chair, Nominations Committee

International Medical Informatics Association

Dear Dr. Park,

I would like to nominate Dr. Peter Elkin for the position of Vice President of Special Affairs for the International Medical Informatics Association in my capacity as the representative of an Academic Member (Vanderbilt University). Dr. Elkin is a well-known researcher and scientist with a **long-standing history of engagement with IMIA as a Working Group Chair**. He is also an accomplished researcher, who has expertise in credentialing and accreditation, which will be extremely helpful in the position of VP Special Affairs.

Dr. Elkin currently serves as Professor and Chair of the UB Department of Biomedical Informatics. He is also a Professor of Medicine at the University at Buffalo. Dr. Peter L. Elkin has served as a tenured Professor of Medicine at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine. In this capacity he was the Center Director of Biomedical Informatics, Vice-Chairman of the Department of Internal Medicine and the Vice-President of Mount Sinai hospital for Biomedical and Translational Informatics. Dr. Elkin has published over 120 peer reviewed publications. He received his Bachelors of Science from Union College and his M.D. from New York Medical College. He did his Internal Medicine residency at the Lahey Clinic and his NIH/NLM sponsored fellowship in Medical Informatics at Harvard Medical School and the Massachusetts General Hospital. Dr. Elkin has been working in Biomedical Informatics since 1981 and has been actively researching health data representation since 1987. He is the primary author of the American National Standards Institute's (ANSI) national standard on Quality Indicators for Controlled Health Vocabularies ASTM E2087, which has also been approved by ISO TC 215 as a Technical Specification (TS17117). He has chaired Health and Human Service's HITSP Technical Committee on Population Health. Dr. Elkin served as the co-chair of the AHIC Transition Planning Group. Dr. Elkin is a Master of the American College of

Physicians and a Fellow of the American College of Medical Informatics. **Dr. Elkin chairs the International Medical Informatics Associations Working Group on Human Factors Engineering for Health Informatics.**

Dr. Elkin is the Editor of the Springer Informatics Textbook, Terminology and Terminological Systems. He was awarded the Mayo Department of Medicine's Laureate Award for 2005. Dr. Elkin is the index recipient of the Homer R. Warner award for outstanding contribution to the field of Medical Informatics.

Thank you for considering this nomination of Dr. Elkin.

With highest regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christoph U. Lehmann', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Christoph U Lehmann, MD

President, International Medical Informatics Association