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**The American Orthopaedic Association Names
Marc F. Swiontkowski, MD, 2005 President**

ROSEMONT, Ill., July 26, 2005—The American Orthopaedic Association (AOA) announced today that Marc F. Swiontkowski, MD, 53, assumed the role of president of the association during the AOA's 118th Annual Meeting held June 22-25, 2005, in Huntington Beach, CA. His term as president is scheduled to continue through the AOA's next Annual Meeting held June 21-24, 2006, in San Antonio, TX.

In accepting the position, Swiontkowski said, "Thank you for the honor and privilege to serve as the 118th president of the American Orthopaedic Association. I owe this honor to the great leaders who have preceded me. As president, I look forward to assisting in the continuous advancement of the organization, working with the leaders of orthopaedics to tackle the difficult issues we face."

"Dr. Swiontkowski's capacity and passion for the issues of this organization is profound. As past president, I am confident that he will successfully maintain the American Orthopaedic Association's focus: identifying, engaging, and recognizing leadership to further the art and science of orthopaedics. I congratulate him and welcome him to this prestigious leadership position," said Edward N. Hanley Jr., MD, AOA past president.

Swiontkowski is chair of Orthopaedic Surgery and a professor in the Department of Orthopaedics at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, MN. He is also adjunct professor in the Department of Health Sciences Research at University of Minnesota School of Public Health and is co-director of the Clinical Outcomes Research Center.

Swiontkowski has served on numerous committees for the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, including chair of the Research Committee. He currently serves as a director of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery and on the Executive Committee for the American Board of Medical Specialties. He was an AOA-North American Traveling Fellow (NATF) in 1985 and an AOA-American, British, Canadian (ABC) Fellow in 1989.

Born in Elizabeth, NJ, Swiontkowski received his education at California State University (BS) and at the University of Southern California, School of Medicine (MD). He completed his residency at the University of Washington and a fellowship in Orthopaedic Research, Laboratory for Experimental Surgery in Davos, Switzerland.

Dr Swiontkowski presently lives in Long Lake, MN, with his wife Beth. They have three children.

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About the AOA

The American Orthopaedic Association (AOA), founded in 1887, is the oldest national orthopaedic association in the world. The AOA's mission is to identify, develop, engage and recognize leadership to further the art and science of orthopaedics. For more information, visit www.aoassn.org or call 847.318.7350.