Resolution

Honoring John C. Townsend, OD, FAAO as he retires from the role of Director, Optometric Service Office of Specialty Care Services

Whereas, Dr. John C. Townsend has been an outstanding leader in optometric health care administration, academic and clinical education, the optometric profession, and in public health throughout his career; and

Whereas, Optometric education and the profession have benefitted enormously from Dr. Townsend’s strategic and planning expertise, and most capable leadership as Executive Director, Optometric Service for the Department of Veterans Affairs; and

Whereas, Dr. Townsend’s dedication to the VA mission of improving access to quality optometric primary eye care and low vision rehabilitation services for our nation’s veterans is evident through his tireless work on behalf of the optometrists, externs and residents at the Department of Veterans Affairs; and

Whereas, Dr. Townsend distinguished himself as clinical educator and scholar, publishing several important and foundational works, received numerous awards and honors and was inducted as a Distinguished Practitioner, National Academy of Practice in Optometry; therefore be it

Resolved, that ASCO and its members earnestly thank Dr. Townsend for his eminent contributions to optometry, optometric education and ASCO; and be it further

Resolved, that the ASCO family extends its very best wishes to John upon his retirement with the sincere hope for much happiness and good health in the many years ahead.