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## Dear Educational Committee,

I am writing to endorse Marika Morabito for the TTS 2024 Mentor and Mentee Award. As the Chair of Chair of the Department of General, Emergency, and Transplant Surgery at Circolo and Fondazione Macchi Hospital, and Director of the General Surgery Program at the University of Insubria, Varese (Italy), I have had the privilege of closely observing Marika's progress and contributions to the field of transplantation research during their residency.

Marika has consistently demonstrated an exceptional commitment to advancing knowledge in the basic science of transplantation. Throughout her residency, she has exhibited remarkable dedication, enthusiasm, and proficiency in her research endeavors. Her innovative approaches and insightful inquiries have significantly contributed to the ongoing dialogue within our department and beyond.

Moreover, Marika's achievements speak volumes about her potential as a young investigator in the field of transplantation. She has not only demonstrated outstanding academic prowess but also exhibited a remarkable ability to collaborate and communicate effectively with established investigators. Her passion for research and her eagerness to learn from experienced mentors make her an ideal candidate for the TTS 2024 Mentor and Mentee Award.

Receiving this grant would undoubtedly be a pivotal moment in Marika's training and career development. It would provide her with the necessary resources and opportunities to further her research endeavors, thereby fostering her growth as a new young investigator in the basic science of transplantation. Additionally, this award would enable Marika to establish valuable connections and collaborations with renowned experts in the field, thus promoting research and facilitating meaningful dialogues at the TTS 2024 Congress.

I wholeheartedly support Marika's nomination for the TTS 2024 Mentor and Mentee Award and am confident that they will continue to make significant contributions to the field of transplantation research.

Sincerely,

Prof. Dr. Giulio Carcano