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**EUGENE P. SINCLAIR, M.D. HONORED WITH AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ANESTHESIOLOGISTS ELITE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

New Orleans — In recognition of exemplary service, Eugene P. Sinclair, M.D., received the American Society of Anesthesiologists (ASA) Distinguished Service Award during the Society's Annual Meeting today.

The ASA Distinguished Service Award is the Society's highest honor, bestowed on an individual for lifetime achievements and service in the specialty of anesthesia and the Society. Nominations for this annual award may be submitted by any ASA member or component society and are then reviewed by the Committee on Distinguished Service Award. The candidate entered into nomination by the committee must receive a two-thirds vote of more than 366 delegates seated in the ASA House of Delegates who represent more than 43,000 ASA members.

A member of the ASA since 1965, Dr. Sinclair has served the society in a variety of appointments. Dr. Sinclair served as an alternate delegate and delegate to the ASA House of Delegates from 1976 to 1984. He served as an ASA Delegate and Director from Wisconsin from 1974 to 1994. He was then elected to the office of Vice-Speaker of the ASA House of Delegates in 1994 and continued to climb in leadership ranks at the society as Speaker of the House of Delegates, First Vice President and President-Elect. Dr. Sinclair was installed as ASA President in October 2004.

During his term as ASA President, Dr. Sinclair oversaw the relocation of the ASA Annual Meeting from New Orleans to Atlanta in just six weeks following landfall of Hurricane Katrina in August 2005. Dr. Sinclair received the ASA Distinguished Service award as the society returned to New Orleans for the first time since the unprecedented meeting relocation in 2005.

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Dr. Sinclair graduated from medical school at the Marquette University School of Medicine, now the Medical College of Wisconsin. Following graduation from medical school, Dr. Sinclair began his military service in the U.S. Army Medical Corp. as an intern at William Beaumont General Hospital and subsequent deployment as a paratrooper with the 101st Airborne Division, Ft. Campbell, Kentucky.

Following his military service, Dr. Sinclair completed his training in the medical specialty of anesthesiology at the Marquette University School of Medicine. After his specialty training in anesthesiology, Dr. Sinclair worked in a private practice position at Columbia Hospital in Milwaukee for 25 years, serving as chair of the Anesthesia department for 21 years.

Dr. Sinclair retired from clinical practice in 2006. He remains highly active as a volunteer in organized medicine, particularly with the ASA.

Dr. Sinclair and his wife Jean reside in Elm Grove, Wis.

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