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Honoring DCMA Leader Bruce Weissman, M.D.

In this issue, we honor the life and service of one of our own, Bruce Weissman, M.D. who served as DCMA president from 1986-87. Doctor Weissman died September 23, 2017 at 77 years old.

As a board-certified otolaryngologist and facial plastic surgeon, Doctor Weissman practiced medicine in South Florida for more than 40 years with offices in Miami Beach, Hallandale and Aventura.

As an advocate for physicians and their patients, Doctor Weissman also served as President of the Greater Miami ENT Society and a member of the Board of Governors of the Florida Medical Association.

“Bruce was a friend and colleague. As President of the DCMA, Bruce never missed a meeting and always put patients and physicians first; he was an inspiration to all whose lives he touched,” said fellow past DCMA President Dr. Enrique Hanabergh.

“Doctor Weissman worked tirelessly on behalf of the DCMA; working to improve patient care in Miami-Dade County, fighting for the rights of physicians and patients,” said Patricia Handler, DCMA Executive Vice President.

Doctor Weissman was a medical innovator. In 1992, he launched the Professional Voice Institute, one of the country’s first comprehensive voice clinics. It quickly attracted singers, news anchors, religious leaders and celebrities performing in South Florida. He also developed the South Beach Facelift.

His passions included woodworking, travel, tennis, scuba diving, snow skiing, dancing and spending time with his family.

Doctor Weissman is survived by his wife, Dr. Annette Weissman; brother Arthur; his sons, Richard, Pete and Jason; and 5 grandchildren.

Born in Philadelphia, Doctor Weissman graduated from Jefferson Medical College and did his internship and surgery residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital and specialized in Ear, Nose, Throat & Facial Plastic Surgery at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center.

During the Vietnam War, he served as a Major in the United States Air Force. He was an Associate Professor of Otolaryngology and Head & Neck Surgery at the University of Miami School of Medicine.

Nationally, U.S. News and World Report named him as one of the top physicians in the country. But to those of us here in South Florida, he was a mentor, peer and friend.

Thank you, Bruce, for your service, your example, and your friendship.

