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To whom it may concern,

Mr. Patrick Reynolds, Executive Director of the "*Foundation for a Smokefree America*" was invited by the Hellenic Ministry of Health & Social Solidarity as guest speaker on the 28th of April at the Conference entitled "National Alliance Against Smoking", which launched the national campaign prior to the law prohibiting smoking in all public places from the 1st of July, 2009.

At the conference Mr. Reynolds, gave a well-informed, polished and persuasive speech and assisted us in promoting the Greek State's agenda on tobacco through strong and very positive national media coverage of his visit. Moreover, his talk to youth age 10 - 14 at one of our local schools was a tremendous success, and made a significant impact on several hundred students in attendance.

Thus, I hereby would like to highly recommend Mr. Reynolds as a speaker targeting all ranges and ages of society as well as a core representative to the Press regarding the negative effects of smoking and secondhand smoke.

Mr. Reynolds has been a most valuable addition towards our public health efforts in Greece, and has made a noticeable difference to our national efforts against smoking. In the hope of seeing him again amongst us in the future I sincerely trust that his knowledgeable advice will make a difference towards a tobacco free world.

Yours sincerely,

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