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David W. Dodick, MD, Named Chair of the American Brain Foundation

(MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 22) – Today, the American Brain Foundation (ABF) announced the appointment of David W. Dodick, MD, as Chair of its board of directors. Dr. Dodick joined the board in 2018.

Dr. Dodick is Professor of Neurology at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science in Scottsdale, Ariz. He is also Director of the Headache Program and Sport Neurology and Concussion Program at Mayo Clinic in Arizona, and an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Neurosciences at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology in Trondheim Norway.

In addition to chairing the American Brain Foundation board, Dr. Dodick chairs the American Migraine Foundation, International Concussion Society, International Registry for Migraine Research, and International Headache Society Global Patient Advocacy Coalition. He is cochair of the International Headache Academy, American Registry for Migraine Research, American Academy of Neurology's (AAN) Annual Program Concussion Committee, and AAN's Annual Sports Concussion Conference. He has authored more than 400 peer-reviewed publications and 10 books.

"After 30 years of training, learning, teaching, and researching in the field of Neurology, and caring for patients impacted by Neurological diseases, I am profoundly humbled and honored by the opportunity to become Chair of the American Brain Foundation," said Dr. Dodick. "Over this same period of time, ABF has been investing in research and the pursuit of cures for brain diseases. Indeed, it was one of their earliest research awards that launched my career."

"ABF has the potential to become the nation's largest charitable organization of the brain and fund research that will *cure one and cure many* neurological diseases. Together with the incredible group of passionate, committed, and talented members of the ABF board, and through our strategic partnership with the AAN, I am thrilled to have the opportunity to move us toward this goal," said Dr. Dodick.

Dr. Dodick is one of four incoming ABF board officers, including Vice Chair, Susan Schneider Williams, fine artist; Treasurer, James Essey, TemPositions Group; and Secretary, Shafali Jeste, MD, FAAN, UCLA Semel Institute.

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