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Dear Professor Bai:

On behalf of the World Gastroenterology Organisation (WGO), we are pleased to announce that you have been selected to receive the 2017 Masters of the WGO Award. WGO is privileged to honor your exceptional professional and personal contributions to the field of gastroenterology and its related disciplines, and especially your efforts in the less well-developed regions of the world and in service to the populations WGO is focused on.

The Masters of the WGO (MWGO) Award is the highest honor WGO can bestow and is granted only to those individuals who have provided outstanding dedication to the mission of the WGO and achieved distinction in such areas as scholarly research, teaching, service to WGO and the community at large. The MWGO Award is a capstone career award and is given in conjunction with each World Congress of Gastroenterology. The next awards ceremony will take place during the WGO General Assembly on Tuesday, 17 October 2017, 13:00-14:30, room W311EF, Orange County Convention Center, the venue for the next World Congress of Gastroenterology at ACG 2017, in Orlando, Florida, USA, 13-18 October 2017.

As a recipient of the 2017 MWGO Award and in addition to being recognized for this distinction during the 2017 WGO General Assembly in Orlando, you will receive an engraved plaque. This distinction will also be recognized in the WGO publications and on the organization's website. You are also entitled to use henceforth the title of "Master of the WGO" and the letters "MWGO" in conjunction with your name.

It is our distinct privilege to congratulate you on being named a Master of the WGO and we look forward to congratulating you in person in Orlando!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Toouli".

Professor James Toouli  
Past President, WGO  
Chair, MWGO Award Selection Committee

Cc: Caley Mutrie, WGO Executive Director

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