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CHICAGO — Vincent U. Rapini, D.D.S., a dentist in St. Louis, was recently elected second vice president of the American Dental Association (ADA). As a member of the ADA Board of Trustees, Dr. Rapini will play a major role in the ADA's efforts to be America's leading advocate for oral health. His election took place at the ADA FDI World Dental Congress in San Francisco.

Dr. Rapini served as a delegate to the ADA House of Delegates from 2011 to 2019. In addition to being a past president of the Missouri Dental Association and the Greater St. Louis Dental Society, he has received fellowships from the American College of Dentists, International College of Dentists and Pierre Fauchard Academy.

A graduate of the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Dentistry, Dr. Rapini is currently a clinical assistant professor in the department of clinical dentistry at the Southern Illinois University School of Dental Medicine. He previously practiced general dentistry in Webster Groves, Missouri.

The not-for-profit ADA is the nation's largest dental association, representing 163,000 dentist members. The premier source of oral health information, the ADA has advocated for the public's health and promoted the art and science of dentistry since 1859. The ADA's state-of-the-art research facilities develop and test dental products and materials that have advanced the practice of dentistry and made the patient experience more positive. The ADA Seal of Acceptance long has been a valuable and respected guide to consumer dental care products. The monthly The Journal of the American Dental Association (JADA) is the ADA's flagship publication and the best-read scientific journal in dentistry. For more information about the ADA, visit ADA.org. For more information on oral health, including prevention, care and treatment of dental disease, visit the ADA's consumer website MouthHealthy.org

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