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February 22, 2017

Claudia Saavedra, PhD Universidad Andres Bello Department of Biological Sciences Republica 217 Santiago, Chile

Dear Dr. Saavedra,

On behalf of the American Society for Microbiology (ASM), it is my great pleasure to appoint you ASM Country Ambassador to Chile. Your initial term is effective immediately and will end December 31, 2019 with the possibility of a three- year extension pending a formal review. You join a growing network of 91 Country Ambassadors at the center of ASM's efforts to foster the dissemination and development of microbiological knowledge around the world.

In addition to strengthening ASM's connection within the Chilean scientific community, you will have the opportunity to foster collaboration at a global level through your fellow ASM Country Ambassadors. We are confident that your remarkable academic experience, demonstrated leadership and commitment to ASM's mission will be an asset to this important program.

You will have the active support of the dedicated staff at ASM Headquarters in Washington, DC including:

Jason Rao, PhD – Sr. Director, Member Engagement and Innovation Kirsten Bartlett – Program Coordinator <u>jrao@asmusa.org</u> <u>kbartlett@asmusa.org</u>

Please review the ASM Country Ambassador Handbook and sign and return the Country Ambassador Agreement Form to Kirsten Bartlett at kbartlett@asmusa.org.

Congratulations on this prestigious appointment. We are all looking forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Jason Rao, PhD

Sr. Director, Member Engagement and Innovation