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President's Message

Democracy Is Alive At The Essex County Medical Society Town Hall Meeting

Passionate discussions about the survival of the doctor-patient relationship warmed the hearts of citizens and their physicians on a cold January day at The Montclair State University Town Hall Meeting. Drs. Mike Brand and Bart De Gregorio warned us of the government's attempt to destroy Medicare through rationing of benefits, major cuts in physician reimbursement and heavy taxes on the middle class. Curtis Sliwa, the "Guardian Angel" foreshadowed a picture of America without doctors.

It's been almost ten years since doctors fired up this amount of community action. Being in front of major network coverage by television news, press and radio rekindled the spirit of the marches on Trenton and Washington for tort reform. Well, that's what happens when the great leaders of those demonstrations, Drs. Caggiano and Olesnicky unite with the new energy of Drs. De Gregorio, Coyle, Valenza and Colavita. My fellow members, the fight has only just begun. Call us, Join us, and Save the sacred Doctor-Patient Relationship. Stay tuned for the March Town Hall Meeting.

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