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To whom it may concern:

I, Donald Francis Haggerty, a retired career investigator in biochemistry and native English speaker, do hereby certify that the English in the manuscript by Fabio D. Masevicius and Arnaldo Dubin entitled HAS THE STEWART APPROACH IMPROVED OUR ABILITY TO DIAGNOSE ACID-BASE DISORDERS IN CRITICALLY ILL PATIENTS? is both lexically and syntactically correct and appropriate to a scientific publication.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Donald F. Haggerty, Ph.D." The signature is written in a cursive style with some capital letters.

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