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Dear Dr. Blackburn,

I read with great interest and pleasure the "History of the American Heart Association Council on Epidemiology and Prevention." It is indeed an impressive and influential organization which has played a major role in improving cardiovascular health.

I am appalled however, by the fact that in the thirty years of its existence, from 1965 to 1995, there has been only <u>one</u> woman listed as an officer of the council, Dr. Barrett-Connor. It is absolutely glaring when one looks at appendix B: Officers of the Council on Epidemiology. I sincerely hope this can be remedied in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

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