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To our Preferred Dentistry patients,

We are excited to announce the arrival of yet another Dr. Karkazis! Please help us in welcoming Emelia M. Karkazis, D.D.S., M.S., our newest orthodontist to the practice!

Dr. Emelia is the daughter of Dr. Frank and the younger sister of Dr. Alex. Dr. Emelia attended Marquette University as a seven-year pre-dental scholar graduating *Summa Cum Laude* in 2018 with a B.S. in Biomedical Sciences. Dr. Emelia then graduated *Magna Cum Laude* from Marquette University School of Dentistry in 2021 with her D.D.S., and will graduate from the University of Illinois Chicago Orthodontics Residency Program in May of 2024 with a M.S. Degree in Oral Sciences along with her Advanced Certificate in Orthodontics.

In dental school, Dr. Emelia presented her findings on 3D Imaging at the International Association for Dental Research in Vancouver, Canada in 2019 and published her findings in the book titled *Applications of Biomedical Engineering in Dentistry* in 2020. She studied the efficacy of Invisalign Attachments and was published in the *American Journal of Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics* in 2021. Upon graduation, Dr. Emelia received the Pierre Fauchard Academy Student Merit Certificate Award and the Quintessence Publishing Company Research Award. She was subsequently inducted into the Omicron Kappa Upsilon Dental Honor Society.

During residency, Dr. Emelia was involved in research studying accelerated tooth movement and bone biology. She was the recipient of the Allan G. Brodie Scholars Program Award from the UIC Department of Orthodontics and the Charles J. Burstone Research Aid Award from the American Association of Orthodontists Foundation. Dr. Emelia was nominated for her research for the Dr. William R. Proffit Resident Scholar Award and will compete for the award at the 2024 American Association of Orthodontists Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana in May of 2024.

Dr. Emelia is a member of the Chicago Dental Society, the Hellenic American Dental Society, American Association of Orthodontists, and Illinois Society of Orthodontists. Dr. Emelia loves orthodontics, as she can create happy, healthy smiles while building trusting relationships with her patients. She is so excited to meet you all and cannot wait to work with her family! If you stay patient, one more Dr. Karkazis may be joining in 2025... 😊

