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Finally, none of us is unaffected when a colleague dies, and this year in losing Michael Pyryt we lost someone who has made important contributions to our field and touched many of our lives. Several people have written and delivered tributes to him, and in this issue we include the poem that Jane Piirto wrote and read in New York at the memorial service at AERA on March 25. Michael is sadly missed, and I thank Jane for allowing us to include this poem.

Before closing, I also want to say thank you to our layout editor, Leigh Kupersmith at the University of Indiana. She continues to be a wonderful partner in the efforts to bring this publication to life. I couldn’t ask for anyone more cooperative, creative, and generous with her expertise. We all benefit from her attention to this project.

Looking forward to the ongoing dialogue with you all,

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