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2017 CALL for CANDIDATES for NEW FELLOWS

TO: Fellows of the Academy February 14, 2017

FROM: 2017 Fellows Nominating Committee

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RE: Call for Candidate Recommendations

As the Academy serves to strengthen and improve government at all levels, nationally and internationally, we ask each Fellow to identify and recommend candidates of distinction with the willingness and ability to contribute work and wisdom to this important mission. We further ask that you recognize the fundamental importance of **diversity** in the pool of distinguished Fellows to achieve the objectives and purposes for which the Academy was created. All candidate recommendations must be received at the Academy offices by close of business on **March 29, 2017**.

2017 ELECTION

Please discuss the Academy with your proposed candidate. We are seeking candidates who are able and would like to contribute effort and expertise to the accomplishment of our important mission. Material to share with your candidate is available on the Academy's website at <http://www.napawash.org>

CRITERIA FOR ELECTION as a FELLOW

The Academy Bylaws list several qualifications for membership:

1. substantial scholarly contribution to public administration and/or significant administrative experience with evidence of sufficiently broad interests and reflective nature
2. other significant experience in public affairs with a special interest in public administration
3. demonstrated concern for the advancement of public administration [usually demonstrated by authoring published material and/or selection as a leader in professional societies related to public administration]
4. adherence to the highest ethical standards
5. willingness and ability to contribute to the work of the Academy.

The Board asks that you consider the following criteria for 2017 candidates:

6. Individuals who are likely to become actively involved and who have demonstrated leadership roles or have proven public/private entrepreneurship. Individuals committed to good governance and effective government management
7. Individuals with a body of work in high-profile areas including, but not limited to, national defense, homeland security, international relations, and criminal justice;
8. Demographics: focus on increased diversity in terms of gender, race, national origin, age, and geography

9. Knowledge, skills, and abilities in (a) enterprise finance management and public-private finance; (b) international development; (c) environmental/natural resource policy/management (d) program evaluation and performance management; (e) strategic planning and foresight/futures; (f) operational experience, especially as Chief Information Officers (CIO); and (g) applied science and engineering
10. Experience: current federal, state and local government practitioners, particularly members of the Federal Senior Executive Service who have received Presidential Rank or SAMMIE awards and Fleming award winners and equivalent state and local executives.
11. Experience: Former federal, state and local government leaders who continue to engage in public sector issues in current roles that may be in private sector or non-profit organizations.
12. Scholars and active practitioners who are citizens of countries other than the United States.

Please extend your consideration beyond your acquaintances and immediate associates, to identify highly respected leaders committed to excellence in public management and implementation, especially those working in areas of high need and not currently well-represented among Academy Fellows to broaden and deepen the expertise we can provide to improve our government and our governance.

PROPOSING CANDIDATES

You may submit or co-sponsor up to **five** proposed candidates. You may suggest additional names to the Committee or its members informally as the Committee members will be submitting suggestions and the Committee is authorized to consider persons beyond those proposed by the Fellows. You may seek up to two co-sponsors whose names will appear along with yours in the election materials.

We ask that you take care to explain how your candidate meets the criteria for election and why the person should be elected. For example, previous participation in the Academy's work or other efforts to strengthen the quality of government delivery affecting more than one government entity would be highly relevant. Election must be based on the willingness and capacity of the candidate to contribute effort and expertise to the accomplishment of our important mission.

To help us consider each proposed candidate carefully, please submit the enclosed forms. Remember, the Committee will not have the time to "fill in the blanks," so your candidate will be at a disadvantage if any of the information is missing.

Please give special care to the Recommender's statement, which may be written in the form of a paragraph or using bulleted statements. This statement is particularly important because traditionally it has been used to prepare the paragraph describing the nominee in the ballot mailed to Fellows. Merely summarizing the previous information gives neither the Committee nor the Fellows additional insight into why the candidate would become a valuable Fellow.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE ASSESSMENT

Each candidate will be interviewed by telephone by a Committee member before the Committee meets to recommend its nominees to the Fellowship for election. Election ballots will be provided to all Fellows electronically, by mail, or both in early August.

DEADLINE and THANK YOU

All candidate recommendations must be received at the Academy offices by close of business on **March 29, 2017**. We again encourage all Fellows to participate by submitting your candidates to join the "best and brightest" in public administration. We need a Fellowship which can actively support the work of the Academy with talent, experience, and enthusiasm as we strive to "make government work for all."

HONORARY FELLOWS

In addition to recommending candidates for consideration to become Fellows, current Fellows may also recommend candidates to be considered for selection as Honorary Fellows. The Academy bylaws set out the following qualifications for Honorary Fellows:

...persons who have distinguished themselves in public administration or through outstanding contributions to the objectives and purposes of the Academy

As many as five new Honorary Fellows may be selected by the Academy Board of Directors each year.

To recommend one or more candidates for consideration to become an Honorary Fellow, current Fellows may send a recommendation letter (ordinary mail or internet) to Lisa Trahan at the Academy at LTrahan@napawash.org by September 1, 2017. A complete list of National Academy Fellows and Honorary Fellows can be found at <http://www.napawash.org>

Thank you for your attention to this notice and for your anticipated participation.