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The Georgia Chapter of NIGP, Inc

May 2, 2012

Subject: Rescission of the Voting Ballots for revised May 2012 GANIGP Constitution & Bylaws

Dear Georgia Chapter of NIGP, Inc. Members:

In light of recent events, the GANIGP Executive Committee and NIGP have communicated in reference to the voting ballots for the May 2012 revisions to the Georgia Chapter of NIGP, Inc. Bylaws and Constitution that were mailed out to you for a vote on May 14, 2012.

It is noteworthy to state that NIGP commends the GANIGP Board of Directors for its current and ongoing efforts to improve the quality of its governing documents for the wellbeing of the chapter. From NIGP's view, the GANIGP chapter should be commended for being willing to invest the time and dedication to ensure its rules and policies are meeting the needed standards for its membership. Furthermore, from NIGP's review and assessment, the May 2012 ballot revisions to the Bylaws and Constitution are summarily appropriate and reasonable. However, NIGP would like to seize the opportunity to engage with the GA Chapter of NIGP to assist with delivering refined and streamlined documents that will provide more clarity and strength to the governance of the chapter.

Therefore, under recommendation of NIGP and agreement by the GANIGP Executive Committee, GANIGP hereby withdraws the above subject ballot from voting at the May 14, 2012 Business Meeting. We will work with NIGP on building a strong set of Bylaws and operating procedures for the Georgia Chapter of NIGP, Inc. and will submit to the membership for approval later this year. We would greatly appreciate your feedback, encouragement and support as we continue to refine our processes to better serve you as valued members of this chapter.

We hope that any confusion or concerns relative to this matter have been addressed and that you are encouraged about the future improvements.

Sincerely,

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