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National Academy of Public Administration and Senior Executives Association Sign Memorandum of Understanding

Leaders in public service will work together toward common goals for good government

WASHINGTON, DC – The National Academy of Public Administration and the Senior Executives Association (SEA) today announced that they have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to work together on projects to achieve the organizations’ shared goals of effective and efficient government, modern management practices within the federal government, and strong public confidence in career civil servants’ ability to carry out their mission.

This announcement was made during Public Service Recognition Week, which takes place May 7-13.

“We are pleased to partner with the Senior Executives Association on select projects, which will strengthen our ability to make progress on challenging public administration issues,” said Terry Gerton, President and CEO of the Academy. “The SEA and the Academy share many of the same goals, which is to see government work well for all and for our citizens to understand and appreciate the good work and dedication of career civil servants. With this Memorandum, we can join forces to help achieve that.”

“NAPA is a recognized thought leader in Washington and we are honored to partner with them to address important challenges confronting the Federal government,” said Bill Valdez, President of the SEA. “Through this MOU we are joining forces to improve public perceptions about the value of public service through rigorous research and innovative projects. We believe that NAPA’s deep analytical capabilities combined with the experience and knowledge of senior career leaders will move the needle in a positive way.”

The MOU between the Academy and SEA identifies the following goals:

- Developing rigorous solutions that improve the effectiveness and efficiency of government;
- Creating leadership programs and policies designed to bring 21st Century management practices to the federal government; and,

- Improving public perceptions about the role of the federal government and restoring public confidence in the ability of the career civil service to deliver on the vital missions that have been entrusted to the government.

Under the MOU, the Academy and SEA will develop proposals for projects to achieve the organizations' shared objectives, including:

- Partnering to jointly develop specific recommended solutions for issues;
- Partnering to jointly provide conferences that offer training and development for Senior Executive Service participants;
- Developing joint responses to grant solicitations;
- Facilitating exchanges with other organizations outside of the MOU; and,
- Additional forms of co-operation, including publications, seminars and conferences.

About the National Academy of Public Administration

Chartered by Congress to provide non-partisan expert advice, the Academy is an independent, non-profit, and non-partisan organization established in 1967 to assist government leaders in building more effective, efficient, accountable, and transparent organizations. Learn more at www.napawash.org

About the Senior Executives Association:

The Senior Executives Association is a nonprofit professional association that promotes ethical and dynamic public service by fostering an outstanding career executive corps, advocates the interests of career federal executives (both active and retired), and provides information and services to SEA members. Learn more at www.seniorexecs.org

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