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NAHMA Publishes DEI Policy Statement

Alexandria, Va., Oct. 8, 2020 — The National Affordable Housing Management Association (NAHMA) is pleased to announce the adoption of the NAHMA [Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Policy Statement](#). To read the statement, visit the Overview webpage page under the About Us tab at nahma.org.

The statement evolved from the work of the NAHMA Board Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Task Force, which reviewed NAHMA's current protocols and recommended a formal DEI Policy be adopted by the organization, to emphasize and advance NAHMA's ongoing commitment to encouraging and supporting a culture of diversity, equity and inclusion across all areas of the organization and within all of its membership and stakeholder groups.

The DEI policy statement reflects and codifies NAHMA's processes and protocols for seeking out diverse perspectives and counsel so that its culture of diversity, equity and inclusion remains effective and relevant and is reflected in all of its programs and services provided to all members and stakeholders.

"As an organization, we will also be looking at how we can push for more inclusive policies from the local, state and federal agencies that govern our field," NAHMA President Timothy Zaleski, SHCM, NAHP-e, said. "Diversity, equity and inclusion are key ingredients in creating great outcomes, as the variety of thought, experience and culture results in creative and innovative decision making and member/stakeholder satisfaction in the increasingly diverse field of affordable multifamily housing management."

A special session on "Best Practices in Launching Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Programs in Property Management" will be offered during the upcoming NAHMA virtual October meeting, at 3:30-4:30 pm eastern on Wednesday, Oct. 28. Presenters will be Noel Gill, executive vice president, Northwest Real Estate Capital Corp.; Sonya Brown, vice president of property management, National Church Residences; and Gianna Richards, president, Solari Enterprises Inc. For details on the NAHMA October meeting, visit <https://www.nahma.org/meetings/>.

To read the NAHMA DEI policy statement, visit <https://www.nahma.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/NAHMA-DEI-Policy-Statement-FINAL.pdf>.

NAHMA is the leading voice for affordable housing management, advocating on behalf of multifamily property managers and owners whose mission is to provide quality affordable housing. NAHMA supports legislative and regulatory policy that promotes the development and preservation of decent and safe affordable housing, is a vital resource for technical education and information and fosters strategic relations between government and industry. NAHMA's membership represents 75% of the affordable housing industry, and includes its most distinguished multifamily owners and management companies. Visit www.nahma.org for more information.

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