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A LETTER FROM THE NCIGF BOARD CHAIRMAN

2019 was an extremely active year for NCIGF. Both guaranty fund managers and industry representatives remain passionate about policyholder protection and how to make the entire system as strong as possible. The governance of NCIGF made great strides this past year to ensure data security remains a top priority in our community. Also among our significant work are the continuing public policy efforts and work with state lawmakers to ensure that NCIGF is continually utilized for its subject matter expertise as the authority on insurance company failures and the impact those failures have on all stakeholders. We have also increased our communications efforts and strengthened our relationship with the Insurance Information Institute to ensure that we are involved on a national level in the conversations that are taking place regarding the P&C insurance industry.

NCIGF had a solid presence throughout 2019 on an international level as our president and CEO, Roger Schmelzer, chaired the International Forum of Insurance Guaranty Schemes. His one-year term as chair confirmed the US insurance guaranty system's position as a leader of policyholder protection globally, while further establishing the profile and strength of our system among domestic policymakers.

My term as chair has begun in uncertain times. The start of 2020 has made it clear that our guaranty fund community will be tested this year in ways we never imagined and our system will need to respond to the crisis with creativity, unity and vigor. I feel privileged to stand at the helm of NCIGF at this time in history. Together we will demonstrate the strength of our system and keep sacred the promise we've made to policyholders.

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