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## National Grants Management Association Board of Directors Welcomes Three New Members

May 1, 2023 – Sterling, Va. – The National Grants Management Association (NGMA) welcomes three new members to serve on its Board of Directors: Divya K. Brown, Grants Management Director, District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS); Catharine Fan, Federal Coordinating Officer, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Region 3; and Stacie Massey, Deputy Director, State of Ohio Office of Management and Budget. Current Board member Rikitra Cephus, Grants Compliance Coordinator, Pasadena Independent School District, was reelected to serve a second term. All four women begin new terms on May 1 and will serve on the Board for three years.

The NGMA Board is the governing body of the Association and directs the strategic vision of and provides financial oversight of the Association. It consists of 12 individuals: five officers and seven directors. Brown and Fan were elected, and Cephus was reelected, by NGMA members in an election held online between February 1 and March 1. Massey was appointed by the NGMA Board in March to fill a vacated spot. The new Board members were announced at the NGMA Annual Grants Training (AGT) in Washington, D.C. on April 12.

"Serving NGMA has been one of the highlights of my career and, frankly, my life. As I conclude my term as president, I am thrilled to see that our members have elected these amazing individuals to serve on our board and to bring new, innovative ideas to the association," said outgoing NGMA President Eric J. Russell, CIA, CGAP, CGMS, MPA. "Rikitra Cephus, Divya Brown, Catharine Fan and Stacie Massey will be fantastic board members and will help take NGMA into its next chapter. Congratulations!"

As of May 1, NGMA Board of Directors are Scott Scheffler, Esq., president; Lashon Brown, vice president; Christian Jones, secretary; Lori A. Beeler, CPA, CGMS, treasurer; Eric J. Russell, CIA, CGAP, CGMS, MPA, past president; Cynthia Branch, CAE, CGMS; Divya K. Brown; Rikitra Cephus, CGMS; Catharine Fan; Maria Howeth, CGMS; Stacie Massey; and DeMakus Staton, CGMS.

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