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To the PaMAGIC Board:

The County GIS Professionals Association of Pennsylvania (County Pros) is a community of county professionals who strive to excel in the maintenance and deployment of accurate and high-quality GIS systems. Members from more than half of the counties in Pennsylvania actively participate in this group. Supported by the County Commissioner's Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP), the County Pros have succeeded and gained strength particularly in the areas of training and education on GIS technology as well as in leadership and knowledge to support GIS-related projects. The County Pros understand that coordination among GIS systems is critical in achieving a highly efficient and effective network of spatial systems that benefit Pennsylvanians.

Recognizing that coordination is essential to a successful county GIS operation, the County Pros support and endorse the Geospatial Coordination Strategic Plan for Pennsylvania which was unveiled at the 2009 PaGIS Conference. This Plan calls for the formation of a GIS Council which we believe is necessary and long overdue. A GIS Council can leverage Pennsylvania's resources by bringing people together from various geospatial backgrounds to provide an excellent facility for collective leadership and decision-making.

The 2009 Board of Directors, listed below, is committed to leading Pennsylvania's counties into the future of GIS. We support the formation of a Pennsylvania GIS Council.

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Sincerely,

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