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APHSA President and CEO Tracy Wareing Evans Selected as a Fellow by the National Academy of Public Administration

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The American Public Human Services Association (APHSA) is pleased to announce President and CEO Tracy Wareing Evans has been selected by the National Academy of Public Administration (the Academy) for inclusion in its 2019 Class of Academy Fellows, in recognition of her years of public administration service and expertise. Induction of the 51 new Fellows will occur during the Academy's annual fall meeting, which will take place November 7-8 in Arlington, Virginia.

"It is a true honor to be selected as an Academy Fellow alongside so many amazing leaders who share a passion for public service and a commitment to co-creating generative solutions from the ground up," said Wareing Evans. "And with the Academy's mission and expertise spanning all levels of government, I hope to both learn from this cross-sector of leaders and contribute to the ways in which we can achieve better health and well-being for everyone."

Since 2010, in coordination with APHSA's Executive Governing Board, Wareing Evans has set the strategic direction for the Association and spearheads delivery on its mission to "advance the well-being of all people by influencing modern approaches to sound policy, building the capacity of public agencies to enable healthy families and communities, and connecting leaders to accelerate learning and generate practical solutions together." In support of the bold new strategic plan released last year, Wareing Evans is mobilizing strategic partnerships with connected sectors integral to thriving communities, including education, justice, housing, and health as well as community-based organizations.

Wareing Evans has a long history in high-level policy development and public administration. She served as a senior advisor to U.S. Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano and, before moving to Washington D.C. in 2009, as the Director of the Arizona Department of Economic Security, an integrated human service agency. She has also served as policy adviser for human services under then Arizona Governor Napolitano and as director of the state's child welfare division. Wareing Evans began her career as a litigator and has served on more than 20 boards and advisory committees over the course of her career, including several national appointments.

"I am very pleased to welcome Tracy to the 2019 class of Fellows," said Academy President and CEO Terry Gerton. "Our Fellows are nationally recognized for their expertise and contributions to the field of public administration, and Tracy is no exception. The 2019 class is an outstanding group that will enrich our Fellowship, especially as we unveil the Grand Challenges in Public Administration and collaborate across the field to find solutions."

Selection of the Academy's new Fellows follows a rigorous review of the individual's contributions to the field of public administration and policy. A Fellows Nominating Committee makes its recommendations to the full



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Fellowship, which then votes on those individuals to be elected. The 2019 class joins more than 900 Academy Fellows—including former cabinet officers, members of Congress, governors, mayors, and state legislators, as well as prominent scholars, business executives, and public administrators.

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The American Public Human Services Association (APHSA) is a bipartisan, nonprofit membership organization representing state and local health and human service agencies through their top-level leadership. Through a member network and three national Collaborative Centers, APHSA seeks to influence modern policies and practices that support the health and well-being of all children and families and that lead to stronger communities.

APHSA connects its members to national policymakers and human-serving organizations across a wide circle of stakeholders in the health and human services sector, as well as key partners in education, housing, employment, and others. APHSA also helps members build more capacity for their teams through access to professional education and development conferences, technical expertise, publications, and their Organizational Effectiveness practice. To learn more about APHSA, please visit www.aphsa.org.