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A Special Message from the ASIPP Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Laxmaiah Manchikanti, MD

Friends:

I would like to invite you to attend and enjoy the 25th anniversary of the American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians, which will take place on March 16-18 in Washington, DC, at the famous Gaylord Convention Center. This is the most important event in the history of interventional pain management. We are going back to where it all began in Washington, DC.

This meeting will take us back to our roots and bring back memories of the first Annual Meeting, in Washington, DC, in 1999. Many things have happened over the years; however, the 25th anniversary comes only once. Do you feel you can miss this opportunity? I hope not!

There are so many things happening at this annual meeting. We have **over 60 speakers** providing outstanding lectures and most up-to-date information compressed in over **70 lectures**, **20 panel discussions**, and **15 breakout sessions**.

As always, one of the amazing things you find at ASIPP is our relationship with members of the Congress. This time, as never before seen in the history of ASIPP, or any other organization, we will have 3 chairs of House Committees, which include the **Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers**, Chair of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, the **Honorable James Comer**, Chair of the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and finally the **Honorable Jason T. Smith**, Chair of the House Ways and Means Committee. Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers and Jason Smith will be talking about how to permanently eliminate recurring 10.4% cut for physicians and 6% for facilities. Honorable James Comer will be talking about how Congress can help to avoid onerous audits and investigations.

This will be topped by **Congressman Ed Whitfield**, who was there in 1999 standing with and guiding us all these years and continues to do so. This recalls many of our achievements, including specialty designation, membership on the CACs, initiation of two outstanding journals, passage of NASPER, and many, many other things with payment reforms and prevention of the cuts, along with COVID relief.

Additionally, we have **Dr. Jerry Punch**, an emergency room physician who is an ESPN commentator, researcher, and an outstanding speaker giving us insight into leadership with his presentation titled, *Leadership: Why Not Me*, and *Why Not Now?*

Other outstanding speakers include **Chris Gilligan**, **Leo Kapural**, **Konstantin Slavin**, **Miles Day**, **Steve Sampson**, and many others.

You will also hear from **ASIPP Board Members** with multiple breakout sessions including advanced practice provider sessions, regenerative medicine, innovation summits, spinal imaging, and many more aspects.

Please join us and celebrate our successes and look forward to the future, where we have the opportunity to change the future from bleak to bright.