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Dear Mr. Perez:

Having just concluded my term as president of NAHRO, I wanted to thank you for supporting the participation of **Mark Alan Wagner** who served on **the Community Revitalization & Development Committee** for these past two years. We have had an energetic team who, with many others, regrouped and advocated even harder for our profession, industry and those we serve. Together, we have also solidified NAHRO's position as a leader in Washington and as the go-to organization in our own localities. We also continue to increase NAHRO's ability to address its members' needs for information, advocacy, outreach and professional development.

The number of Americans in poverty is at a 27-year high. Nearly one in six households lives in poverty, about 46.2 million people. Effective public policies and funding play a critical role, and can make a difference in these lives. Investments in the most vulnerable people of our nation are significant catalysts that positively impact social, emotional, and behavioral problems and help build stronger communities.

The fight for safe, decent affordable housing for low- and moderate-income income Americans is most assuredly not over, but on the housing and community development front, we have and will continue to make inroads. I would like to thank you for enabling **Mark** to be a catalyst for NAHRO's accomplishments over the last two years, which are summarized at:  
[http://www.nahro.org/sites/default/files/searchable/NAHRO\\_2015\\_Report\\_Final.pdf](http://www.nahro.org/sites/default/files/searchable/NAHRO_2015_Report_Final.pdf)

I know there are sacrifices that our members make to devote their valuable time and attention to the national leadership. For that, you have our thanks and gratitude.

Regards,

Preston Prince, CME