

June 7, 2007

Stuart R. Davis, President
National States Geographic Information Council
2105 Laurel Bush Rd, Suite 200
Bel Air, MD 21015

RE: Endorsement of Imagery for the Nation

Dear President Davis:

I am pleased to inform you that on 5 June 2007, the WV Association of Geospatial Professionals (WVAGP) and the WV State GIS Coordinator adopted a resolution in support of the Imagery for the Nation initiative.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the West Virginia Association of Geospatial Professionals (WVAGP) have considered the proposed "Imagery for the Nation" (IFTN) concept offered by the National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC).

WHEREAS, Regularly scheduled and sustainable funding for procurement of statewide orthoimagery is needed by municipal, county, state, and federal agencies, and the non-profit and commercial sectors.

WHEREAS, The IFTN proposal offers the potential to provide the State of West Virginia with systematically acquired, high-resolution orthoimagery on a regular basis.

WHEREAS, The proposed IFTN program would offer significant benefits for transportation and infrastructure planning, emergency response, resource management and protection, and government operations.

WHEREAS, The IFTN program will help to reduce or eliminate duplication of effort and increased costs associated with uncoordinated and competing imagery acquisition activities at the municipal, county, state, and federal agencies, and the non-profit and commercial sectors.

RESOLVED, That the WVAGP endorses the IFTN proposal in concept and shall actively advocate the IFTN initiative to elected officials and executive decision-makers.

Sincerely,



Kurt Donaldson
President, WVAGP



Craig Neidig
WV GIS Coordinator