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Announcing the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics' New Executive Director

CROFTON, MD, October 10, 2018 – On behalf of the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO)'s Board of Directors, we are delighted to announce the appointment of Molly Georgakis, CAE as APGO's new Executive Director. Georgakis will formally take her position on October 30, 2018.

Molly Georgakis, CAE, comes to APGO after serving as Vice President, Member Services/COO for the Eye Bank Association of America (EBAA). Georgakis began her career in the nonprofit world at the United Cerebral Palsy Associations in 1995. For more than 20 years, she worked in the areas of member services, education, fundraising, governance, and marketing for a number of nonprofit organizations and associations including the National Business Travel Association (and Foundation) and the Electronic Transactions Association. After joining the EBAA as Director of Member Services in November 2009, she was promoted to Vice President in March 2011. Georgakis earned the Certified Association Executive designation, conferred by the American Society of Association Executives, in 2015.

"We are excited about having Molly join the team. She is an exemplary leader who will carry on APGO's vision to be the global leader for improving women's health through education." – Maya Hammoud, MD, MBA, APGO President

The selection of Georgakis concludes an intensive 10-month search supported by Staffing Advisors, an executive search firm. Georgakis comes to APGO with a strong background in all aspects of association leadership, and we are confident in her ability to lead future successes in critical areas such as member value, educational programs, event planning and marketing.

Georgakis succeeds Donna Wachter, who is retiring after a 32-year career with APGO. Wachter will continue in her current role as Executive Director until October 29, and will provide support for Georgakis to ensure a successful transition period through APGO's upcoming conferences in early 2019. During her tenure at APGO, Wachter has seen the organization grow from two employees, a DOS member database and 250 members to what it is today with eight employees, a cloud-based web infrastructure and over 1,300 members. Wachter has mentored junior members to become APGO leaders and shepherded member ideas such as the Medical Student Educational Objectives, uWise and the Academic Scholars and Leaders Program to become the very fabric of our association.

"I am pleased to pass on the torch to Molly as APGO enters its next chapter." – Donna Wachter

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About Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO)

The Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO) is a non-profit, membership-based organization for women's health educators. Since 1963, APGO has promoted excellence in women's health care by providing optimal resources and support to educators who inspire, instruct, develop, and empower women's health care providers to improve the quality of life for all women.

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