

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is an honor and a privilege to serve as the 2024 President of the LI Chapter along with my fellow Elected Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs and Members. Thank you, Anne Sheehan, MAI, for your leadership as President this past year. I am humbled by your trust and committed to guiding us towards a future filled with achievements and unity.

Looking back at our collective accomplishments fills me with immense pride. Together, we've navigated challenges and celebrated victories, always rooted in our shared vision and values. Our organization stands as a testament to dedication, innovation, and unwavering commitment.

As we stand on the threshold of a new chapter, I envision a future that builds upon our solid groundwork. It's a future where inclusivity thrives, where each member's input is heard and valued. Embracing diversity as our strength, we aim to foster an environment that welcomes diverse perspectives and ideas.

In the months ahead, I hope to prioritize enhancing communication channels within our organization. We're dedicated to creating an atmosphere of collaboration and transparency. I firmly believe that open dialogue is the cornerstone of progress and innovation. Your thoughts and concerns will always be central to our decision-making.

Undoubtedly, challenges lie ahead. The world is evolving at an unprecedented pace, presenting us with both obstacles and opportunities. However, I am confident that we can navigate these challenges together and emerge stronger. We will adapt, innovate, and leverage these changes to our advantage, ensuring that our organization remains at the forefront of progress.



Let us embark on this journey with optimism and determination. Let us harness our collective strengths, diversity, and expertise to propel our organization forward. Your dedication, passion, and commitment are the driving force behind our success.

Thank you for entrusting me with this responsibility. Let's move forward, united in our pursuit of greatness.

I am looking forward to seeing you at a Chapter event in 2024!

Sincerely, Hector A. Nieves, MAI, AI-GRS 2024 President, Appraisal Institute Long Island Chapter

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LI Chapter Scholarships: Each year, James Taylor, MAI, SRA donates to our Chapter's scholarship fund in memory of his wife Maureen. Members, candidates and practicing affiliates are all eligible to apply for a scholarship. Details can be found on the Chapter's website under Scholarship. Applications can be found here: Long Island Chapter Scholarship

LI Chapter Sponsorships: As always, a sincere thank you to our sponsors for their continuing support! We've had a challenging year in 2023 and I am hopeful that 2024 will have less challenges and more opportunities. Both companies and individuals can choose to be a year round Chapter Sponsor or choose to sponsor a particular Seminar Dinner Meeting or the Chapter's Installation Dinner. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, please contact 2024 Sponsorship Co-Chairs Don Franklin, MAI and Steve Salerno, MAI, or email liai@ailongisland.org.