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IJIS Institute Forges Path Forward with Strategic Plan and New Board of Directors

Ashburn, Va., Aug. 23, 2018. The IJIS Institute is forging a new path forward following its successful 2018 Mid-year Briefing event in Denver, Colorado, earlier this month where the new strategic plan was released and the organization’s new 2018-2019 board of directors held their first meeting. IJIS also refined its mission statement and organizational descriptions to better capture the organization’s focus, capabilities, and direction.

The IJIS Institute’s mission is to drive public sector technology innovation and empower information sharing to promote safer and healthier communities. The newly-released strategic plan has this mission at its heart, and lays out four main goals for the Institute: funding, membership, identity, and landscape. More about the strategic plan can be found at https://www.ijis.org/page/StrategicPlan.

The Mid-year Briefing was also the first meeting of the 2018-2019 IJIS Institute Board of Directors:

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Michael Wagers, the newly-elected chair of the IJIS Institute Board of Directors, noted that, “the strategic plan was created through a collaborative effort between the organization’s Board of Directors, Members, partners, stakeholders, and staff, and it will guide the actions and activities of IJIS in the near term with a focus on our mission.” He went on to say that, “the refinement of our mission and the new descriptions we are using for IJIS are a reflection of the broadened scope of our organization into new domains while keeping our focus on the ultimate desire for safer and healthier communities.”

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About the IJIS Institute— The IJIS Institute is a nonprofit alliance working to promote and enable technology in the public sector and expand the use of information to maximize safety, efficiency, and productivity. IJIS has members and associates working within and across several major public-sector domains as our areas of focus: Criminal Justice (Law Enforcement, Corrections, Courts), Public Safety (Fire, EMS, Emergency Management), Homeland Security, Health and Human Services, and Transportation. The IJIS Institute brings together the innovative thinking of the private sector and the practitioners, national practice associations, and academic organizations that are working to solve public sector information and technology challenges. Founded in 2001 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation with national headquarters on The George Washington University Virginia Science and Technology Campus in Ashburn, Virginia, the IJIS Institute includes member companies and individual associates from government, nonprofit, and educational institutions from across the United States. For more information, visit our website at: http://www.ijis.org/ and follow us on Twitter @ijisinstitute.