February 11, 2019

Professor László Zentai
Secretary-General & Treasurer, International Cartographic Association
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Dear Secretary-General Zentai:

As the Chair of the United States National Committee (USNC) to the International Cartographic Association (ICA), on behalf of the United States of America, I am pleased to submit a nomination for a Commission on Geospatial Analysis and Modeling. The terms of reference and bios for the chair, Xiaobai (Angela) Yao (USA), and vice-chair, Bin Jiang (Sweden), are attached.

Respectfully,

Aileen R. Buckley, PhD
Chair, U.S. National Committee to the International Cartographic Association
**Proposed Chair:**

Dr. Xiaobai Angela Yao is professor of Geography at the University of Georgia. She is the current chair of the ICA Commission on Geospatial Analysis and Modeling. Angela’s research interests include geospatial analysis and modeling, network science, location-based big data, and particularly the applications of them to study urban dynamics, human activities, and public health. She obtained Ph.D. in Geography from the State University of New York at Buffalo, M.S. in GIS for urban applications from the International Institute of Aerospace and Earth Science (ITC) in the Netherlands, and her B.S. degree in GIS and Urban Planning from the Wuhan University (formerly WTUSM) in China.

**Proposed Vice-Chair:**

Dr. Bin Jiang is Professor in GeoInformatics and Computational Geography at University of Gävle, Sweden. He is the founding chair of the ICA Commission on Geospatial Analysis and Modeling and currently the vice-chair of the commission. He worked in the past with The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, and University College London’s Centre for Advanced Spatial Analysis. His research interests center on geospatial analysis and modeling of urban structure and dynamics, e.g., agent-based modeling, scaling hierarchy, and topological analysis applied to street networks, cities, and geospatial big data. Bin was Associate Editor of international journal Computer, Environment and Urban Systems (2009–2014), and is currently Academic Editor of open access journal PLOS ONE, and Associate Editor of *Cartographica*. 
February 15, 2019

Dr. Aileen Buckley
Chair, US National Committee for the ICA

Dear Dr. Buckley:

In conformance with the by-laws of the ICA, I formally acknowledge my willingness to serve as chair of the ICA Commission on Geospatial Analysis and Modeling if elected by the General Assembly in July 2019.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Xiaobai Angela Yao
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