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## The President's Pulpit

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Dear Wastewater Professionals,

It is both an honor and a privilege to serve as your President of the Western Pennsylvania Water Pollution Control Association (Association) in what will be our 90<sup>th</sup> year. As I reflect on my 11 years as a member, I am very grateful for the journey that has led me here. From my time as Chair of the Students and Young Professionals Committee, to my involvement with the Picnic and Membership Committees, and progressing through various executive board positions... where did the time go??

I assume this position with great respect for those who have paved the way before me. Their hard work and dedication have laid a solid foundation for our Association, and I hope to continue their progress in moving us forward.

This year, my focus will be on ensuring a strong presidential presence at Association events. I'm not sure if I'll be able to attend everything, but you better believe I'm going to try! I'm looking forward to spending time with both old and new friends.

Additionally, I will be working closely with our committees to set and establish goals that we can work toward throughout the year, allowing us to mark our progress. I am excited about the potential these goals hold for enhancing our initiatives and strengthening our impact.

In my commitment to keeping you informed, I will be regularly communicating through this monthly newsletter, The President's Pulpit. Sorry, I have a thing for alliteration. These monthly messages may contain spotlights on our many committees, previews for upcoming events, and whatever else I may think up!

Thank you for your continued membership and support. I hope to see everyone in person this year as we work together to advance our mission and celebrate our achievements!

Warm regards,

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