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Partnership for Public Service statement on NAPA report reaffirming the importance of a strong and independent OPM

WASHINGTON – The nonpartisan, nonprofit Partnership for Public Service released the following statement after the National Academy of Public Administration today published a report on the Office of Personnel Management in accordance with a request by Congress.

“OPM is critical to building a high functioning federal workforce and supporting our nation’s two million public servants,” said Max Stier, president and CEO of the Partnership for Public Service. “People expect and deserve excellent service from our government, and the federal workforce makes that possible. It makes sense that government’s talent agency is empowered to lead and succeed.”

Stier continued, “The exceptional report released by NAPA today reaffirms the importance of OPM’s leadership and independence. The report makes many smart recommendations for strengthening the agency including reaffirming OPM’s leadership role, requiring the director to have prior human capital leadership experience, shifting OPM from a compliance-based approach to a strategic and risk-based approach, and encouraging OPM to promote innovation in human capital management. The Partnership looks forward to working with OPM’s dedicated team, Congress, NAPA and others in supporting the federal workforce and human resources leaders.”

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