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## AIAI TAPS VERNON MARROW TO SPEARHEAD DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

President of Leading Minority-owned Real Estate Firm to Help Implement

AIAI's Ambitious Diversity Goals

**New York, NY, November 2014:** AIAI is proud to announce that Vernon Marrow, President of ESmith Legacy Holdings – one of the country's leading minority-owned real estate firms – as the Chair of AIAI's Community Relations and Diversity Committee.

"AIAI is committed to ensuring that the country's small businesses, including Minority, Womenowned and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (MWDBEs) not only understand the opportunities that P3s present, but are actively engaged in each P3 project across the country," says Marrow.

AIAI offers a unique opportunity for America's small businesses to join the country's leading organization devoted to promoting Public Private Partnerships (P3s). P3 is a project-delivery system that bridges private resources with public works projects, and is growing as a viable solution for solving our nation's infrastructure crisis. AIAI's team – made up of America's leading industry experts and companies – is committed to small business inclusion in every step of the P3 process.

The AIAI Community Relations and Diversity Committee provides an educational platform for locally-based and small businesses to learn best practices for seeking public infrastructure procurement opportunities through P3's innovative project delivery model. With AIAI Membership, small businesses can have a significant influence on the long-term success of public infrastructure projects and regional economic revitalization. The use of qualified, locally-based businesses can also enhance the surrounding community through local job growth and economic development.

For more information on AIAI's Community Relations and Diversity Committee, please call 516-396-4491 or email <a href="mailto:lbuglione@aiai-infra.org">lbuglione@aiai-infra.org</a>.

## **ABOUT AIAI**

AIAI - the Association for the Improvement of American Infrastructure is a non-profit organization formed to help shape the direction of the national Public Private Partnership marketplace. AIAI serves as a national proponent to facilitate education and legislation through targeted advocacy.

AIAI's Board has national and international experience and industry knowledge that provides AIAI with a clear direction for developing and advocating policy and legislative solutions, allowing more equitable and effective partnerships across diverse market sectors from transportation and education, water and energy, healthcare and community use facilities. To learn more about AIAI, visit <a href="https://www.aiai-infra.org">www.aiai-infra.org</a>.