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Ken Kent Becomes President of the American Academy of Actuaries Kent Succeeds 2021–22 President Maryellen Coggins

WASHINGTON—Ken Kent of McLean, Va., began a one-year term as president of the American Academy of Actuaries today, succeeding 2021–22 Academy President Maryellen Coggins to lead the national professional association of more than 19,500 members.

During the presidential transition ceremony that took place at the Academy's 2022 Annual Meeting: "Envision Tomorrow" in Washington, D.C., Kent emphasized the need for increased public understanding of the role and work of actuaries and the Academy in supporting sound and sustainable financial security systems, especially among young people before and as they are choosing a career path.

"One of the activities the Academy has been engaged in is looking to introduce the profession to students who enjoy math and may not know that there is a profession out there that needs them and an organization like the Academy ready to support them," said Kent. "That it is not about the path to get credentialed, but about the opportunities as an actuary to join a vital profession and make a measurable impact on the world around them.

"Our opportunities as actuaries to impact financial security are growing with the speed of innovation as well as the rate of uncertainty in so many areas," Kent added, pointing to areas such as inflation, climate, global pandemics, retirement income, cyber risk, and big data.

Kent previously served different terms as the Academy's vice president of pension and vice president of professionalism and in many other volunteer roles at the Academy. He is a consulting actuary for Cheiron Inc.

[Media only: A photo of Kent is available by contacting Academy Assistant Director of Communications, Public Affairs, David Mendes at mendes@actuary.org.]

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