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Stuart R. Davis, President  
National States Geographic Information Council  
2105 Laurel Bush Road, Suite 200  
Bel Air, MD 21015

Dear President Davis:

The Oklahoma State Geographic Information Council (OSGIC) recently voted to endorse the Imagery for the Nation initiative sponsored by the National States Geographic Information Council (NSGIC). The OSGIC recognizes implementation of this initiative will provide one of the key data elements of the Oklahoma Spatial Data Infrastructure and National Spatial Data Infrastructure. Additionally, this well thought out program through the stated acquisition cycles will keep this data layer up-to-date on a predictable schedule which is so crucial in maintaining geospatial data.

High resolution, timely imagery is a vital layer of information that is critical in decision-making activities which are based on geospatial information. Many times, such as during natural disasters, imagery provides one of the pivotal components in assisting decision-makers in their analysis of the situation. Therefore, the OSGIC supports the expansion of one foot resolution imagery to the entire state of Oklahoma since natural disasters such as tornados, ice storms, flooding, and wildfires are not limited to our high population areas.

Thanks to NSGIC for its vision and bold leadership in carrying this very important national initiative forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Sharp".

MIKE SHARP  
Acting State Geographic Information Coordinator  
Office of Geographic Information