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From the Editor Designee.....

I am honored that the DNA Board has selected Wayne State University and me to serve as the new Publisher and Editor of the *Journal of Transportation Management* effective with the start of this new decade. The *Journal* has made great progress since its founding in 1989. With the help of the Editorial Review Board we hope to continue to enhance the reputation of the *Journal* for both academic and practitioner audiences in the transportation and supply chain worlds.

This issue of the *Journal* is the last under the capable leadership of Karl Manrodt. We owe a large debt of gratitude to Karl and the Georgia Southern University team for their work over many years. Karl was an Associate Editor from 2000 to 2007, and became the Editor in 2007. Karl has worked tirelessly to increase the quality of the *Journal*. He did an outstanding job of bridging the academic and practitioner worlds and assuring a mix of articles and authors that added great value to the study and practice of transportation and logistics. Over the last few months Karl has also been of great help to me and that is much appreciated. On behalf of the Editorial Review Board and myself, I would like to offer our heartfelt thanks to Karl and Georgia Southern for their work on the *Journal*.

Going forward the *Journal* will be published by Wayne State University's School of Business Administration in Detroit, Michigan. With the help of Wayne State we will be able to continue printing and distributing two issues of the *Journal* per year, and we may add some electronic special issues. George C. Jackson, recently retired from the Wayne State faculty, will be assisting me as an Associate Editor. I have also been in contact with our Editorial Review Board and look forward to them continuing their work on behalf of the *Journal*. Finally, we plan on taking several steps to increase the visibility of the *Journal* in libraries and other forums but more on those initiatives next issue.

We will continue to publish both policy and managerial articles that are relevant to academics and practitioners in the transportation, logistics and supply chain fields. We will be looking for conceptual, theoretical and applied research that contributes to better understanding and management of transportation and logistics. Saying that, we will maintain the policy that requires articles to be of interest to both academics and practitioners, and that they specifically address the managerial implications of the subject matter. Articles related to any and all types of organizations, and of local to global scope, will be considered for publication.

I look forward to serving you as the Editor of the *Journal*, and hope to hear from you our readers, with questions, comments and article submissions.

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From the *Old* Editor...

This issue is the last that I will serve as editor. Ending my efforts as editor of the *Journal* was a difficult decision, but one I feel is best for all. As other editors will tell you, it is more work than ever expected.

At the same time, it has been a very rewarding experience, both on a personal and professional level. Being a part of determining the content of the *Journal* was exciting, as well as working with an excellent group of writers.

While two years as an editor seems to be a long time, it is not nearly as long as the eleven years that saw Dr. Jerry Wilson at the helm of the *Journal*. He was, and continues to be, a steadfast supporter, editor and cheerleader for the *Journal*. His energy and commitment to the *Journal* will be hard to match, not just for me, but for other editors as well. His support of my efforts while being the editor is much appreciated.

Thanks too to a wonderful group of reviewers, whose timeliness was most appreciated. Their insights and comments for the authors were helpful in improving the research, and the status of the *Journal*.

And, we cannot forget the hard work of Carol Waller, who was responsible for the actual production of the *Journal*. Carol has been indispensable for the last decade, taking care of all the final production details.

Finally, a warm welcome to Dr. John Taylor for stepping up and taking the task. I hope that he receives the same level of support for DNA, the editorial board, reviewers, authors and support staff that I received these two years.

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