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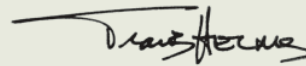
Cama'i [hello]. The past few years have presented us with many challenges and opportunities for growth, personally and professionally. As the world has shifted to this revised “normal,” we have had the opportunity to talk with many of you at regional conferences and through site visits and collaborations. Everywhere we’ve gone, we’ve been struck by your renewed passion and dedication to building connections to your visitors and communities.

The lessons we have been learning in how to be adaptive, live in ambiguity, and do more – or the same – with less bring transformation to all aspects of our lives. Growing up in Alaska, this was a way of life for many in my community. I believe constraints can allow us to make more meaningful connections to our communities, colleagues, professional networks, and partners, pushing us to use our time to create, explore, wonder, and take chances so that our exhibitions remain relevant during these changing times.

The need to rebalance has been widespread, even within the NAME Leadership team. Like many of you, we have been celebrating professional promotions and job or field changes, navigating increased personal and professional responsibilities, and questioning where our time is best spent. No matter what these changes bring, we remain invested in engaging with you, exhibitions, and the museum field.

The NAME Leadership team has been actively planning our involvement in the AAM Annual Meeting & MuseumExpo in Denver. We look forward to seeing you in person, to celebrating one another and all we have accomplished this past year, and to continuing to learn from your experiences and communities.

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