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Announcement from The Board of Directors: November 7, 2018

These are exciting times for NAJIT. The Board of Directors is working very hard to meet the needs of members, as well as focusing its efforts on assuming its rightful leadership position before government entities and other organizations and corporations, including language service providers. This year we are concentrating on forward movement and proactive outreach. With this we bring two very important announcements.

First of all, we are very excited to announce that beginning this in November, members will have access to a healthcare program as a NAJIT member benefit! Rate and enrollment instructions are available on our website <a href="https://www.najit.org/healthcare">www.najit.org/healthcare</a>. Member enrollment in the health insurance program will not be directly through NAJIT, but handled by a third party. Be aware that he potential for savings may depend on your specific location and personal circumstances, so please be sure to check and compare with any other options you may have.

Second, after a careful study of the Association's standing and goals, the Board of Directors has voted to increase the annual membership dues for all categories. Please bear in mind that this increase comes after more than ten years during which rates stayed exactly the same. Your dues directly support the outreach efforts of NAJIT and ensure our continued existence and success. The decision to raise membership dues is one that was carefully considered, and not a step taken lightly by the Board. The goal is for NAJIT to be in a position to listen to its members and do whatever it can to promote the valuable and rewarding professions of interpreter and translator.

The good news is, you can lock in your current rate! Your membership renewal date depends on the date you joined NAJIT. NAJIT membership does not run according to the calendar year, but according to the individual member's anniversary date. The increase will not be substantial, but you can still lock in your current rates simply by renewing for one or more years, before December 31. The current Active Membership rate is \$105, and will remain in effect until December 31. The rate will increase to \$125 on January 1, 2019.

We are also working to improve our directory and make it an even better and more accurate resource for practicing interpreters and translators. If you have



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suggestions or would like to help us with this project, please contact <a href="mailto:board of directors@najit.org">board of directors@najit.org</a> so that we can put you in contact with the folks who have taken on that project.

As of January 1, 2019, the following rates will apply:

Active (individual interpreters and/or translators): \$125

Associate (non-interpreters or translators): \$105

Student: \$60 (Students in a T&I degree program who do not work as interpreters

or translators)

Organizational: (non-profit associations or governmental agencies) \$250

Corporate: (Businesses or Agencies) \$250

Corporate Sponsor: (Businesses or Agencies who wish to offer greater support)

\$500

Don't forget to subscribe to NAJIT's YouTube channel to keep up with the latest news and events as well.

Sincerely,

The NAJIT Board of Directors