



UNION AMERICANA DE NATACION

Dear Friends,

The New Year has closed the pages of the 2007 – 2011 UANA Quadrennial and we now look forward to an exciting UANA Quadrennial 2012 – 2015 opening with the XXX Summer Olympic Games and culminating once again with the XVII Pan American Games in Toronto (CAN).

As the reigns of leadership are turned over to our dear friend UANA President Coaracy Nunes Filho (BRA), I must extend thanks to all who have contributed to UANA during the past four years.

Thank you to all our federations, your past support of UANA events through hosting and particularly through participation ensured their success; your ongoing support is essential if UANA and UANA athletes are to take their places on podia world wide.

A special note of thanks to the United States Aquatic Sports and the Aquatic Federation of Canada for your generous financial support of the UANA Joint Conferences of 2009 and 2010 and the Unity Reception Roma 2009.

Thanks would not be complete without special mention of three individual volunteers, Greg Eggert who served as the UANA Media and Promotions Officer, and Mel Goldstein and Laurette Longmire who managed the logistics of the above mentioned three UANA Special Events.

Thank you to all the members of our UANA Technical Committees. Your passionate devotion to our five disciplines and your tireless efforts in promotion and development of the disciplines is the cornerstone of UANA success.

Thank you to all our judges and officials – events do not take place without your presence – events are enjoyable for all when officiated with your integrity.

Providing support from beyond the boundaries of UANA is the presence of FINA. The contribution of annual financial support and Development Programmes, Clinics and Clinicians are gratefully received by UANA and UANA federations. FINA President Dr. Julio Maglione, Director Cornel Marculescu and the FINA Bureau Members of the Americas Coaracy Nunes Filho, Orban Mendoza, Eugenio Martinez, Vice President Dale Neuburger and Dr. Margot Mountjoy have all stood ready to support the programmes of UANA

My final thank you is to all the members of the UANA Executive Committee. Each of you in your individual roles as liaisons to the Technical Committees and collectively in your work shaping the policies and operating procedures of UANA has made a contribution of inestimable value.

I cannot close without expressing the deep appreciation of Don Manuel de Jesus, Don Orban Mendoza, Madam Carol Zaleski and myself, Eldon Godfrey, for the great recognition you bestowed upon each of us when you named each of us to be an Honorary Life President of UANA.

And so the page is turned; on behalf of all the UANA Family I am honoured to express best wishes to President Coaracy and his Executive Committee for the forthcoming Quadrennial.

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