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## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



# A year

## of accomplishments

I am writing my final Chairman's Message to you. I am reflecting on my year as chair, and on the accomplishments of PCI in the midst of such a challenging, difficult time in all our lives.

The largest achievement for 2021 was the successful launch of the new Architectural Certification Program. Several years of tremendous work from committee members and PCI staff launched something that will benefit the industry, continue to ensure high quality architectural precast concrete for every application, advance the use of architectural precast concrete, and be with us for decades to come.

PCI also launched the new certification management system on the PCI website, another project resulting from a lot of hard work from the staff. Everything associated with certification is now entirely online, including exams.

PCI made our position known along with many other groups throughout the year in various coalitions helping to get the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act passed into law, participating in dozens of virtual Hill visits and coalition letters. Coalitions included the North American Concrete Alliance, the Highway Materials Group, and the Transportation Construction Coalition.

PCI has also continued to work on our PCI design standard and the ACI-PCI 319 document. An updated version of MNL-116 was published in July, the first new edition since 1999.

Another not-so-small accomplishment is a balanced operating budget while achieving the board of directors' goal for reserves. I'd like to thank the Executive Committee and PCI Board of Directors for their diligence and commitment to stay the course.

Finally, I am proud as my term as chairman nears its end. Proud to have served the institute. Proud to have worked with so many great people in service to PCI. I have no plans to ride off into the sunset, so you will still see me around and active on committees, and when you see me, you will be greeted with two words: Thank you! 🙏



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