ACADEMY OF SPANISH LANGUAGE RENEWS AGREEMENT WITH U.S. GOVERNMENT

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New York, NY – The North American Academy of the Spanish Language (ANLE per its Spanish language acronym) has renewed its agreement with the General Services Administration (GSA) to collaborate to improve and standardize the use of the Spanish language in federal government communications.

The ANLE-GSA relationship, created in February, 2009, also supports GobiernoUSA.gov, the official federal government portal in Spanish, in its goal to develop an official directory of federal agencies in Spanish. The directory can be used and adopted by governmental agencies, content providers and Spanish-language translators and communicators in the United States.

“ANLE is honored and pleased to be recognized as the authority on Spanish language usage in federal agencies and welcomes the renewal of the agreement with the GSA,” said Gerardo Piña-Rosales, president of ANLE. “The past two years of work have been fruitful, and we look forward to closer collaboration going forward.”

ANLE, a national, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, promotes the study and proper use of Spanish in the United States and helps Spanish-speakers become fully bilingual. Its mission is based on the belief that bilingual individuals help the nation in a highly diverse culture, and aid it in competing more effectively in a globalized economy.

ANLE is an active member of the 22-member Association of Academies of the Spanish Language (ASALE) and one of the two academies not headquartered in a Spanish-speaking country (the Philippines is the other). It was created in 1973 to satisfy the growing need to organize and capture the Spanish of the United States, the sole organization doing such work. ANLE takes part in all major ASALE projects on use of the language: its Dictionary; the New Spanish Grammar; Orthography; and the Dictionary of Spanish usage in the Americas.

ANLE, which has collaborated with government agencies for more than 15 years, has a portal at http://www.anle.us. The federal government’s Spanish language portal is www.GobiernoUSA.gov. It offers easy access to information and services from government sources. GobiernoUSA.gov is part of www.USA.gov, the web portal of the U.S. government.

GobiernoUSA.gov is part of a broader federal government program that seeks to:

- Φαχιλιτατε αχχεσσ φορ πεοπλε ωιτη λιμιτεδ Ενγλιση προφιχιενχψ το γοϖερνμεντ ινφορματιον ανδ σερϖιχεσ, συχη ασ αππλψινγ φορ βενεφιτσ, λοχατινγ ηεαλτη ινφορματιον, ανδ χομπλετινγ γοϖερνμεντ φορμσ
- Σερϖε ασ αν εδυχατιοναλ τοολ φορ Σπανιση σπεακερσ το λεαρν αβουτ τηε Υ.Σ. Γοϖερνμεντ ανδ ιτσ προγραμσ ανδ σερϖιχεσ
- Προϖιδε ρεσουρχεσ φορ εδυχατορσ ωηο ωορκ ωιτη στυδεντσ λεαρνινγ Ενγλιση ανδ Σπανιση
- Ηιγηλιγητ γοϖερνμεντ ινιτιατιϖεσ τηατ βενεφιτ τηε Ηισπανιχ χομμυνιτψ
- Ιμπροϖε τηε θυαλιτψ οφ Σπανιση–λανγυαγε ινφορματιον ανδ σερϖιχεσ ον Υ.Σ. Γοϖερνμεντ ωεβσιτεσ.ΓΣΑ ανδ

ΑΝΛΕ χοντινυε α φορμαλ ρελατιονσηιπ τηατ σερϖεσ τηε γρεατερ νεεδσ οφ τηειρ χονστιτυεντ χομμυνιτιεσ. Τηε οβφεχτιϖε ισ φορ ΑΝΛΕ το σερϖε ασ τηε αχαδεμιχ αρμ τηατ συππορτσ τηε ινιτιατιϖεσ οφ ΓοβιερνοΥΣΑ.γοϖ τηατ σεεκ το προϖιδε Σπανισηλανγυαγε στανδαρδσ το φεδεραλ αγενχιεσ ανδ χοντραχτορσ ωορκινγ ον Σπανισηλανγυαγε χοντεντ φορ τηοσε αγενχιεσ.

Per the agreement, ANLE will establish standards for the government to use and help with the development of government-wide glossaries for all agencies to use as reference material. The agreement is valid for two years.

Laura Godfrey, manager of GobiernoUSA.gov, said on behalf of GSA that “the value of the relationship with ANLE is clear and can only grow as we work together on issues of common concern. Our mutual goals are service to Spanish-speakers and respect for the norms of the Spanish of the United States.Commenting on the agreement, Leticia Molinero, a full member of ANLE and co-chair with Godfrey of its GobiernoUSA.gov/ANLE committee, said that “the agreement is vivid testimony of the pivotal role that ANLE plays in Spanish language matters in the United States. The GSA-ANLE partnership can only prosper as Spanish becomes a more prominent player in governmental and public discourse.”

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