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COMPASS Board Chair Garret Nancolas Receives National Association of Regional Councils' President's Award

Meridian, ID – The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) is proud to announce that COMPASS Board Chair Caldwell Mayor Garret Nancolas has received the National Association of Regional Councils' (NARC) 2021 President's Award.

NARC is a national organization that advocates for regional cooperation to address community planning and development issues. COMPASS is a member of NARC, and Mayor Nancolas has represented COMPASS on the NARC Board of Directors since 2016.

The NARC Presidents' Award is presented annually to "recognize leadership and excellence in advocating regional concepts, approaches, and programs." Nancolas received the award virtually on June 16, 2021, at the NARC annual conference.

Nancolas was nominated for the award by COMPASS Executive Director Matt Stoll. "Mayor Nancolas epitomizes regional leadership," states Stoll. "He is very deserving of this award and I was thrilled to learn he had received it."

Stoll further explains Nancolas' regional impact in the award nomination, "[Mayor Nancolas] is known throughout the region as a man of integrity, who is the first to reach across jurisdictional and political boundaries to craft 'win-win' solutions to address important local and regional issues."

Nancolas was a driving force behind the formation of COMPASS in 2000 and has served on the COMPASS Board of Directors since its inception. After over 30 years of public service, Nancolas has chosen not to seek reelection as mayor, also ending his tenure on the COMPASS and NARC Boards of Directors.

However, as Stoll describes in his nomination, Nancolas "will leave a legacy of dedication and commitment to his region, his city, and the broader community that will be felt for decades to come."