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RE: National Association of Counties appointment

Mason County is pleased to announce that Commissioner Lynda Ring Erickson has been appointed to serve on the National Association of Counties, Community and Economic Development Steering Committee.

The National Association of Counties (NACo) is the national organization that represents county governments in the United States. NACo advances issues with a unified voice before the federal government, improves the public's understanding of county government, assists counties in finding and sharing innovative solutions through education and research, and provides value-added services to save counties and taxpayers money.

NACo's committees, whose members include county officials from every region of the country, are charged on an annual basis with evaluating issues and policies. The policy development process leads to the publication of the *American County Platform*, which NACo uses as a guide to deliver county government's message to the Administration, Congress and the American public.

We are confident Cmmr. Ring Erickson will represent Mason County well on this Committee.

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