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NCDA Elects New President and Executive Officers

Washington, DC – The National Community Development Association (NCDA), the premier membership organization for local government community development professionals, is pleased to announce the selection of Dale E. Cook, Jr., City of Palm Springs, CA, as its new President and the following members as executive officers for 2019/2020. The selection of officers was made at the NCDA 50th annual business meeting on June 22, 2019 in Jacksonville, FL.

2019/2020 NCDA Executive Committee

Dale E. Cook, Jr., Palm Springs, CA, President
Sheryl Kenny, Arlington, TX, Vice-President
Anne Marie Belrose, Boston, MA, Secretary
Keith Lampkin, Clarksville, TN, Treasurer

"I am excited to work with our new President and executive officers to continue to advance the work of NCDA in the coming year. We have seen tremendous growth – both in membership and conference attendance – and we will work to expand these sectors further as well as continue to be the national advocacy leader for our members and their core programs." said Vicki Watson, NCDA's Executive Director.

The executive officers are recommended through the NCDA Nominations and Elections Committee, a council of their peers, and approved by the NCDA membership. It is quite an honor to serve on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is the leadership arm of the Board of Directors and monitors the activities and financial functions of the Association.

Dale E. Cook, Jr., NCDA's newly elected President, is the Community Development Administrator at the City of Palm Springs, CA. He has been involved in NCDA during his 19-year tenure with Palm Springs, and prior to that, represented East St. Louis, IL as well as served on the 2000-2001 NCDA Board of Directors for Region 5. Dale has nearly forty-five years of community and economic development professional experience in both the public and private sectors at the urban county, metropolitan city and small city entitlement level. "Having just commemorated the 50th Anniversary of NCDA, one of the most positive developments in NCDA's evolution has been its growing footprint in the federal policy arena and its increasing involvement in the development of community development, affordable housing and economic development programs in local communities for its low and moderate income residents across the nation," Cook said.

ABOUT NCDA

NCDA is a non-partisan, national non-profit member-based organization that represents nearly 450 local government departments across the country that administer federally-supported community and economic development and affordable housing programs, principally the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program, HUD's homelessness assistance programs and HUD's economic development programs. NCDA is an association of people committed to assist local governments to achieve high quality, locally responsive programs for making communities better places in which to live and work, particularly for low- and moderate-income people.