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COZAD EAGER TO ASSIST COLORADO'S AGING POPULATION

WELD COUNTY, CO – When Weld County Commissioner Julie Cozad learned she was selected to serve on the Colorado Commission on Aging, she was thrilled. “The issues that face our aging population are important to me,” said Cozad. “I’m interested in exploring efficient and thoughtful ways our communities can collaborate to address the concerns of our aging population.”



Cozad, who was appointed to the Commission by Governor John Hickenlooper earlier this month, has served on the Board for the Weld County Area Agency on Aging and was the Commissioner Coordinator for the Weld County Department of Human Services last year. “Serving on the Weld County Area Agency in Aging Board was very fulfilling,” said Cozad. “It opened my eyes to the issues our older residents face, and I am passionate about supporting this group of people.”

So passionate, in fact, that Cozad volunteered her time last year to serve as a Guardian on the September 13 Honor Flight, which sent veterans from World War II, Korea and Vietnam to Washington DC.

Closer to home, Cozad will use her past experience as a land-use planner to look at creative and sustainable ideas when it comes to providing housing, transportation and health care opportunities to the growing older population.

“Many communities aren’t currently able to provide the support this demographic desires, especially as the number of older people increases,” said Cozad. “I look forward to working with my commission members to find solutions to the problems my grandparents, parents and the current older population face.”

The Colorado Commission on Aging consists of 17 volunteer members appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate. Each member serves a four-year term advocating for the senior population. Cozad will serve on the Colorado Commission on Aging until 2019 and will attend meetings every other month in different areas of the state.

For more information about the Colorado Commission on Aging, visit <https://sites.google.com/a/state.co.us/cdhs-cai-aas/colorado-commission-on-aging>.

For more information about the Weld County Area Agency on Aging, visit the Department of Human Services web page at www.weldgov.com.

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