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News Release

Colorado Board Member Jane Goff Chosen As Director Of National Association

Jane Goff, a longtime educator and member of the Colorado State Board of Education, was elected to the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) Board of Directors. Goff will begin her two-year term as a director from NASBE's Western region in January 2010.

"Jane Goff's long experience as a public school teacher, administrator, and union leader will serve her greatly as NASBE helps chart the course for state boards on education policy issues nationwide. The board will likewise be enriched by her perspective," said NASBE Executive Director Brenda Welburn. "She and the rest of our board provide their fellow policymakers from across the country the support and diversity of opinion so critical to finding solutions to the educational needs of American students in the 21st century."

A resident of Arvada, Colo., Goff was appointed to fill a vacant position on the state board in March 2008 and then elected in her own right to a full, six-year term in November. Before running for the board, she was a teacher, world language curriculum coordinator, international exchange director and association leader in Jefferson County Public Schools for 34 years. Goff was also a regular participant in the district's content standards review and assessment design teams.

"I look forward to representing our dynamic western region and working with state boards nationwide on NASBE's forward thinking agenda," said Goff. About NASBE

The National Association of State Boards of Education represents America's state and territorial boards of education. NASBE exists to strengthen state boards as the preeminent educational policymaking bodies for citizens and students. For more, visit <u>www.nasbe.org</u>.

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