ULI Nevada Names Debra March as District Council Chair

Former Mayor of Henderson will Serve ULI Members in the State of Nevada

Las Vegas (September 23, 2024) – Longtime Urban Land Institute (ULI) leader Debra March has been selected as the new chair of ULI Nevada, a vital role for delivering ULI's mission in the state. ULI is the oldest and largest network of cross-disciplinary real estate and land use experts in the world, with more than 48,000 members globally. ULI Nevada is part of ULI's network of 53 district councils in the Americas region.

Debra March is a founding member of ULI Nevada and has worked closely with the outgoing chair, Tyler Fegert, Owner, Shaded Horizon, to facilitate a smooth transition. Fegert has worked with the district council's Management Committee and ULI staff to set out a member driven program for the past two years, including preparations for hosting the upcoming <u>ULI Fall Meeting</u> in Las Vegas, October 28-30 at Resorts World.

March was selected as district council chair because of her rich and diverse work in local government and understanding of land use and community development issues. She has served as planning commissioner, councilwoman and Mayor of the City of Henderson, and chair of the Regional Transportation Commission. In 2022, ULI Nevada named her Placemaker of the Year for her contributions to elevating conversations about good development as good placemaking.

"I look forward to this opportunity to serve as ULI Nevada Chair and advance ULI's tradition of knowledge sharing through the district council network," **March said**. "The district councils are where some of ULI's most creative and productive ideas have originated. The work sets examples of best practices that can be shared with other district councils in vastly different markets, and often can be replicated in other communities, making the district council network one of ULI's greatest assets."

March has an extensive track record in the real estate industry. She served as executive director of UNLV's Lied Institute for Real Estate Studies for 16 years, where she turned it into a highly regarded educational program, supporting the Nevada real estate industry. As Chair of Southern Nevada Strong, the first-ever comprehensive regional plan and development blueprint, her collaborative approach helped connect people with jobs, transportation, and housing, and opened the opportunity for critical federal funding, making Southern Nevada a better place for everyone to live.

"ULI is only as strong globally as we are locally and regionally," **said Jill Lucken, executive vice president of ULI's district council network**. "The district council chair is an incredibly important position, not just to the region it serves but to ULI as a whole. I am excited that Debra March is taking on the vital role of chair at ULI Nevada, and I look forward to working with her so that the district council can make a meaningful and lasting difference in the region."

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