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For Immediate Release:

Press Release - Town to Honor Community Volunteers

January 23, 2015 - At their Regular Meeting on January 27, 2015, the Mayor and Council will honor many community volunteers for serving on the Town's advisory boards and commissions and for assisting with community events; many of them volunteering for several years.

Mayor Barrone stated, "On behalf of the Council, I want to express my deepest gratitude to these selfless individuals for sharing their time and expertise to making the Town of Taos the unique community it is. Without their valuable input, Town government would not be able to move forward with providing essential and exceptional services to our citizens and visitors. This is what open government is about – encouraging effective participation from our citizens and executing their input."

- Jim Thompson: Served on the Planning and Zoning Commission and Land Use Development Committee from 1994 to 2009;
- Jim Pollard: Served on the Historic Preservation Commission from 2000 to 2003 and on the Planning and Zoning Commission from 2000 to 2009;
- Oscar Palacios: Served on the Historic Preservation Commission from 1986 to 1994, from 2008 to 2009, and from 2011 to present;
- Douglas Patterson: Served on the Planning and Zoning Commission from 2009 to present;
- Justin Lea; Served on the Planning and Zoning Commission from 2009 to 2014;
- Pavel Lukes: Served on the Planning and Zoning Commission and Historic Preservation Commission from 2001 to 2014;
- Ezra Bayles: Has been serving on the Taos Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for more than 11 years;
- Shelly Bahr: Has been serving on the Taos Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for more than 19 years;

- Annette Bowden: Has been serving on the Taos Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for more than 11 years;
- Debbie Friday Jagers: Has been serving on the Taos Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for more than 13 years;
- Randolf Pierce: Has been serving on the Taos Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for more than 7 years;
- Mark Yaravitz: Has been serving on the Taos Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for more than 13 years;
- Don Francisco Trujillo; Has been serving on the Airport Advisory Board since 2003.

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF TAOS!

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TOWN OF TAOS GOVERNING BODY

Mayor Daniel R. Barrone
Mayor Pro Tem Andrew T. Gonzales
Councilmember Frederick A. Peralta
Councilmember George "Fritz" Hahn
Councilmember Judith Y. Cantu

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