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PACIFIC NORTHWEST AEROSPACE ALLIANCE NAMES NIKKI MALCOM PERMANENT CEO AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Board lauds Industry veteran for leadership and dedication to serving PNW Aerospace Cluster

Redmond, WA, February 9, 2022 - The Pacific Northwest Aerospace Alliance has formally named industry veteran Nikki Malcom as Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director, effective immediately. Prior to this week's vote by the PNAA Board of Directors, Malcom served as Interim CEO and Executive Director since her appointment last October.

"Nikki is the right person for the job at the right time," said PNAA Board President Jim Lee, General Manager of Gig Harbor, WA-based Tool Gauge. "She's been an exceptional leader of our organization and our entire aerospace cluster. She's proven over the years in our industry she has the skill, dedication, energy, passion and relationships we need now."

Prior to taking over as Interim CEO and Executive Director, Malcom served a variety of roles with the PNAA Board of Directors, ascending from board member to the executive committee and eventually was appointed board chairperson.

Malcom's experience and track record of success in the aerospace industry spans several decades. Her varied roles have included sales, sales management, business development, and she most recently founded an aerospace consultancy focused on helping companies diversify beyond their core services to include commercial aviation, defense, and space.

"Throughout my career, I have always had a strong passion and deep commitment to supporting the aerospace market and our entire regional ecosystem," Malcom said. "We are at a critical junction. Innovation, investment, and diversification are key to ensuring the future of our companies and the jobs they provide. Through my work on the PNAA board and now as CEO and Executive Director, I see a bright future ahead, and am proud and eager to help us all succeed."

Malcom also serves in advisory roles for the Seattle Chapter of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) and the Lake Washington Technical institute MDT Advisory committee. She's a proven and dedicated leader in promoting diversity in aerospace, championing a number of initiatives including the PNAA's annual Women in Aviation conference and earning federal designation for Women In Aviation Day.

"Nikki did such a great job as board chair and interim CEO; her permanent appointment is a no brainer. We couldn't be happier," Lee said.

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About the Pacific Northwest Aerospace Alliance:

Pacific Northwest Aerospace Alliance is a non-profit organization made up of a coalition of aerospace companies that serve North America's largest commercial aerospace manufacturing cluster which centers around growing segments in the Pacific Northwest. Member companies range from commercial

aviation to satellite manufacturing. With members and affiliates around the world, PNAA strengthens the manufacturing supply chain through dynamic events designed to inform aerospace leaders, connect aerospace interests, and inspire industry collaboration and innovation.

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