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NEWS RELEASE

Commissioner Patrick Lyons Completes NM EDGE Program

SANTA FE – On Thursday, June 17, New Mexico Public Regulation Commissioner Patrick Lyons joins others as the latest graduates of the New Mexico EDGE (Education Designed to Generate Excellence in the Public Sector) program.

New Mexico EDGE is an umbrella organization operated through the New Mexico Cooperative Extension Service, under which the County College – founded with the New Mexico Association of Counties – as well as the New Mexico Certified Public Manager Program, and other continuing education certification programs are administered.

Taking part in this continuing education certification illustrates Commissioner Lyons' tireless dedication to serving the public with integrity and principle.

With the purpose of encouraging "better government through education," County College began in 2002 as a dream of the late Sam Montoya, the former executive director of the New Mexico Association of Counties, who asked New Mexico State University's (NMSU) College of Agricultural, Consumer & Environmental Sciences' Cooperative Extension Service to work with them to develop an educational program for New Mexico's elected officials and employees.

In 2008, the NMSU Department of Government became a regular partner in County College and offered to develop the nationally recognized Certified Public Manager (CPM) program in conjunction with Cooperative Extension Service's County College.

Under the umbrella of NM EDGE, the opportunity is emerging to help other public sector entities have a better educated workforce and thus better government through education.

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