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Former State Representative and Fiscal Expert Donald Valdez Announces Candidacy for Conejos County Treasurer

CONEJOS COUNTY, CO — Donald Valdez, a former State Representative and experienced public administrator, has officially announced his candidacy for Conejos County Treasurer. With an MBA in Public Administration and a career spanning state legislation, county leadership, and agricultural management, Valdez brings an unparalleled level of expertise to the management of county funds.

A FOUNDATION IN FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Donald is no stranger to the specific duties of the Treasurer's office. Having previously served as the Deputy Public Trustee for Conejos County, Valdez successfully managed a \$4 million budget, issued tax notices, and executed Deeds of Trust.

"The Treasurer's office is the heartbeat of our county's infrastructure. My experience at both the State Capitol and right here in Conejos County has given me a deep understanding of how to protect taxpayer dollars while ensuring our financial systems are efficient, transparent, and modern."

— Donald Valdez

PROVEN LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY DEDICATION

As the former State Representative for House District 62, Donald Valdez was a champion for the San Luis Valley, securing vital funding for economic development, education, and emergency responders. This legislative oversight and his experience demonstrate a mastery of government compliance and staff management.

Donald's platform focuses on three key pillars:

- **Fiscal Integrity:** Leveraging an MBA background to ensure rigorous auditing and responsible investment of county funds.
- **Modernization:** Implementing innovative technologies—including insights from his work with blockchain policy—to streamline services for residents.
- **Local Advocacy:** Using his deep ties to the agricultural community (including service as the Conejos County Conservation District Board Chair) to ensure the Treasurer's office supports the unique needs of local

farmers and ranchers.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE

A proud graduate of Adams State University, Valdez holds a Bachelor's in Business Administration and a Master's in Public Administration. He is an active member of Rotary International, a board member for the Colorado Alzheimer's Association, and a recognized leader in Southern Colorado.

"I am running for Treasurer to bring a high standard of professional excellence to our County. I have spent my career navigating complex budgets and advocating for our valley. I am ready to put that experience to work for every resident of Conejos County."

— Donald Valdez

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