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SPPI Welcomes Shawn Peterson to the Board and Elects Becky Ingoglia as New Chairwoman

Phoenix, AZ—The Southwest Public Policy Institute (SPPI), a leading think tank dedicated to shaping policy and advancing public debate on key issues in the American Southwest, is pleased to announce the appointment of Shawn M. Peterson as a new member of its board of directors. In addition, at the first board meeting of 2024, the Institute proudly elected Becky Ingoglia as Chairwoman of the board, succeeding Megan DeLaRosa, who graciously served in an interim capacity.

Shawn Peterson brings a wealth of experience and expertise from his distinguished career in public policy and advocacy. With over thirty years of service in various capacities including positions in federal and state government, private lobbying, and service to the Catholic Church, Mr. Peterson's depth of knowledge and commitment to the common good make him an invaluable addition to the Institute's board. His leadership at <u>Catholic Education Partners</u>, as well as his involvement with numerous educational and policy organizations, underscores his dedication to public service and policy advancement.

Becky Ingoglia, the newly elected Chairwoman, steps into her role with a strong background in finance and strategic planning. As a multi-state licensed CPA and owner of <u>Ingoglia CPA</u>, PLLC, her expertise in financial management and corporate governance will be instrumental in guiding the Institute toward achieving its strategic goals. Ms. Ingoglia's unanimous election by her peers is a testament to her leadership qualities and vision for the Institute's future.

"I am truly honored to have the opportunity to serve the SPPI as its new Chairwoman," said Becky Ingoglia. "I love this organization because of its passion for protecting the rights and interests of everyday people. SPPI made incredible strides in 2023 and I am looking forward to supporting its continuing efforts in the coming years."

"We are thrilled to welcome Shawn Peterson to our board and to witness Becky Ingoglia step into her new role as Chairwoman," said <u>Patrick M. Brenner</u>, President of the Southwest Public Policy Institute. "Their unique skills and experiences are exactly what the Institute needs as we continue to expand our impact on public policy in the Southwest and beyond. With Shawn's strategic insight into policy development and Becky's strong leadership in finance and governance, we are poised for a future of significant growth and influence."

The Southwest Public Policy Institute expresses its deepest gratitude to Megan DeLaRosa for her interim leadership as Chairwoman. Ms. DeLaRosa's dedication and service have been pivotal in maintaining the Institute's momentum and success during a period of transition.

As the SPPI moves forward under the guidance of its new and existing board members, it remains committed to fostering innovative policy solutions and contributing to the public discourse on critical issues affecting the Southwest and the nation.

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