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DENVER REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS HONORS SEN. PAT STEADMAN WITH A DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

DENVER –Sen. Pat Steadman (District 31) received a Distinguished Service Award from the Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG). The award was presented by DRCOG Chair Elise Jones at DRCOG's annual awards celebration, April 27 at the Westin Denver International Airport.

"Senator Steadman has been a staunch supporter of numerous efforts to enhance and protect the quality of life for older Coloradans," said Jennifer Schaufele, executive director of DRCOG. "His efforts will truly make life better in our region for years to come."

Sen. Steadman has been a consistent supporter and advocate for DRCOG's Area Agency on Aging programs and services. On the Joint Budget Committee, he has championed DRCOG's efforts to increase state funding for senior services by \$13.5 million since 2013.

Sen. Steadman also played a critical role in the state Senate during the 2015 session, ensuring passage of DRCOG-sponsored legislation (HB15-1033) to establish the Strategic Action Planning Group on Aging. As a result of Sen. Pat Steadman's support and advocacy, older adults in the DRCOG region and throughout Colorado have been able to access greatly needed services.

DRCOG presents Distinguished Service Awards to individuals who make significant contributions to the Denver region and its communities, and to DRCOG's programs and activities. The regional council has been honoring outstanding achievements for more than 30 years.

The Denver Regional Council of Governments is a planning organization where local governments collaborate to establish guidelines, set policy and allocation finding in the areas of:

- Transportation and personal mobility
- Growth and development
- Aging and disability resources