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RTC CEO inducted to board of directors for prestigious trade organization dedicated to women's advancement in transportation

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LAS VEGAS – Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) International, a trade organization dedicated to the professional development of women in transportation worldwide, inducted MJ Maynard, CEO of the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, to its national board of directors for a two-year term during its annual member conference in Seattle, Wash. last week.

"It's an honor to serve on the board of an organization dedicated to advancing the careers of women in the transportation industry," said Maynard. "It has always been a personal goal of mine to help lead and mentor female colleagues, so this is an incredible opportunity to be able to elevate the effort on a much grander scale."

The WTS International Board of Directors is the governor body of the organization, delivering strategic direction, setting policy, and providing governance and oversight. Maynard joins the following individuals on the WTS International Board of Directors:

- Chair: Jannet Walker-Ford, WSP
- Immediate Past Chair: Paula Hammond, WSP
- Vice Chair: Bridgette Beato, Lumenor Consulting
- Treasurer: Alexa Gangemi, HNTB
- Secretary: Leanne Redden, Regional Transportation Authority of Chicago
- Debra Johnson, Regional Transportation District of Denver
- Erin Slayton, HDR
- Helen McSwain, Rohadfox Construction Control Services
- Inez Evans, IndyGo
- Karen Philbrick, PhD, Mineta Transportation Institute
- Katharine Kelleman, Port Authority of Allegheny County
- Monica Tibbits-Nutt, 128 Business Council

As CEO of the RTC since 2019, Maynard leads the only agency nationwide that is responsible for a region's public transit system, traffic management, roadway and construction funding, and transportation and overall planning efforts – all under one roof.

Maynard joined the RTC in February 2007 and served as Assistant General Manager of Transit and Administrative Services and later as Deputy Chief Executive Officer prior to leading the agency. During

her 14-year history with agency, she has launched several groundbreaking initiatives including on-demand mobility options; the rideRTC smartphone app; and a massive transit safety expansion project encompassing the replacement of more than 3,000 bus shelters and amenities.

Maynard worked in Las Vegas' hospitality industry for more than 25 years prior to joining the RTC, where she served as Vice President for Hard Rock Hotel and Casino for more than a decade. In this role, she oversaw a culturally diverse staff of more than 750 employees and was responsible for managing a multi-million dollar annual budget that included capital expansion projects.

Considered a national leader in public transit management, Maynard was recently appointed to serve on the American Public Transportation Association's (APTA) 25-member executive committee; has served on its Board of Directors since 2018; and is a member of its CEO Coordinating Council. APTA leads efforts to ensure public transportation is available and accessible in communities around the country.

Active in the Southern Nevada community, Maynard serves on a number of nonprofit boards, including Three Square, a community food bank serving four counties in Southern Nevada; FirstMed Health and Wellness Center, one of only two federally qualified public health centers in the region; and the Advisory Council of the National Museum of Organized Crime and Law Enforcement, also known as the Mob Museum.

She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Hotel Administration from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

About the RTC

The RTC is the transit authority, designated metropolitan planning organization, regional traffic management agency and administrator of the Southern Nevada Strong comprehensive regional plan for the Las Vegas valley. The RTC's vision is to advance regionally transformative mobility solutions through equitable, innovative and sustainable infrastructure development. The RTC's mission is to elevate quality of life for residents and visitors through sustainable planning, collaborative problem-solving, and safe and equitable transportation service. For more information about the RTC and its major initiatives or to download its transit app rideRTC, visit rtcsnv.com and stay informed by [subscribing to our blog](#).

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