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## **SPOKANE CONSTRUCTION LEADER APPOINTED TO NATIONAL AGC BOARD**

The Inland Northwest Associated General Contractors is pleased to announce the appointment of Past President Hollis Barnett to the AGC of America's National Board of Directors.

Mr. Barnett, currently serving as Vice-President of Garco Construction, Inc., has been a member of the NWAGC Board of Directors for a combined total of 12 years, joining the Board in 2016 after previously serving on the Board from 1999-2004.

As chapter President in 2020, Mr. Barnett spearheaded a drive which more than doubled the Inland Northwest chapter's PAC contributions, making the NWAGC the sixth highest AGC PAC contributing chapter. He also led an effort to establish an alliance between the AGC, Washington State labor unions and the building trades early in the COVID-19 pandemic. The alliance worked together to develop construction site COVID-19 health & safety plans in anticipation of the Washington State Governor's office issuing an emergency order to shut down all construction in the state. Due to the combined effort of the AGC and labor unions, the Governor's office amended its emergency order to allow only public works and essential construction project sites to remain open provided those sites followed COVID-19 health & safety protocols that were primarily proposed by the AGC and the alliance.

Mr. Barnett has been with Garco Construction throughout his 30-plus-year career, and he is currently a shareholder in the company in addition to his role as Vice-President. His early years of experience working in the field as a project engineer and then as a project manager give him valuable insight in his current leadership roles.

The AGC of America Board of Directors is the governing body of the Association. The Board is composed of the AGC Officers and nine at-large members selected by the President from all throughout the nation.

It is our pleasure to congratulate Mr. Barnett on this momentous achievement and we are excited to have him represent us at a national level.

The Inland Northwest AGC is a membership organization dedicated to advancing the needs of commercial construction contractors. We are the leading national construction trade association representing all facets of commercial construction for both public and private entities including building, heavy, highway, and municipal projects. Founded in 1921 and representing over 370 companies throughout our region, the Inland Northwest chapter is the region's largest full-service commercial construction trade association and is one of 89 chapters of the Associated General Contractors of America.