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## Golden Welcome Center Announces Appointment of Lora Knowlton as Executive Director

Golden, CO -- The Golden Welcome Center is pleased to announce the appointment of Lora Knowlton as its new Executive Director, effective November 15. Lora brings a wealth of experience in nonprofit leadership and community engagement, making her an ideal fit to lead the center in its mission to welcome and support residents and visitors in the Golden community.

With over 25 years of experience in the nonprofit and business sector, Lora has demonstrated exceptional skills in strategic and event planning, program development, and fundraising. Lora served as Events & Operations Director at the Golden Chamber of Commerce, where she successfully planned and executed several large-scale community events, as well as supported Chamber members through numerous networking and educational opportunities. Her passion for community service and her commitment to fostering partnerships and collaborations align perfectly with the Golden Welcome Center's values.

"We are thrilled to welcome Lora officially to our team," said Jerry Devitt, President of GWC Board of Trustees. "Her proven track record, understanding of Golden, GWC operations and can-do attitude will help us enhance our programs and services, ensuring that everyone who comes to Golden feels welcomed and supported."

In her new role, Lora will focus on expanding community outreach and fundraising opportunities, enhancing partnerships with local organizations, and developing new programs that cater to the needs of our community. She is excited to engage with community members and stakeholders to create a welcoming environment for all. The Golden Welcome Center is committed to fostering a welcoming environment for all residents and visitors. With Lora's leadership, the center aims to enhance its role as a vital resource in our community.

"I am honored to join the Golden Welcome Center and look forward to working with our dedicated volunteers and community partners," said Lora. "Together, we can strengthen our commitment to inclusivity and support for visitors and residents, ensuring that everyone feels at home in Golden."

For more information about Lora and the Golden Welcome Center, please visit goldenwelcomecenter.org or contact <u>goldenvisitorscenter@gmail.com</u>.

**About Golden Welcome Center:** Located in the heart of downtown Golden, the Golden Welcome Center is a non-profit community hub - a welcoming, comfortable, and centrally located place for residents, nonprofits, and small businesses. The GWC delivers programming, information, collaboration, social interaction, and event space to locals and visitors alike. The GWC is staffed with more than 40 volunteers who provide hospitality and guidance to visitors and locals.