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Silverton Mayor Receives Leadership Award

SALEM, Ore. - Silverton Mayor Kyle Palmer received a *Mayors Leadership Award* during the closing of the Oregon Mayors Association (OMA) Summer Conference, held August 6-7 through a virtual platform due to the pandemic. Mayor Palmer was one of four mayors statewide to receive this year's award. The others were: Halsey Mayor Jerry Lachenbruch, Jacksonville Mayor Paul Becker and Newport Mayor Dean Sawyer.

Mayor Palmer was appointed in 2017 to fill a vacancy, then was elected in 2018 to fill a full two-year term. He has served on the Silverton Budget Committee since 2005 and on the city's Tourism Promotion Committee since 2007. Previously, he has served as Silverton Parks and Recreation Chair and on the city's Urban Renewal Committee. During the current Coronavirus pandemic, Mayor Palmer's has convened a regular conference call with community leaders, and has led the creation of a small business relief fund. Mayor Palmer has also initiated a community dialogue around diversity, equity and inclusion.

About the Mayors Leadership Award

Established in 1993, the Mayors Leadership Award recognizes the valuable contributions that mayors throughout Oregon make to their communities each year. In judging the nominees, the Selection Committee considers whether the nominee has:

1. Demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities which have contributed to lasting benefits in their city and the community as a whole;
2. Shown considerable involvement in community affairs and intergovernmental relations;
3. Shown exceptional skill in helping to facilitate productive relationships between the governing body and city employees; and
4. Helped other Oregon mayors reach their full potential as community leaders.

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