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Hawthorne Welcher named to National Community Development Association's Board of Directors

AUGUSTA, GA (Nov. 22, 2021) – City of Augusta's Housing and Community Development Director Hawthorne Welcher, Jr. has been appointed to the National Community Development Association (NCDCA) Board of Directors.

NCDCA is a non-partisan, national non-profit membership-based organization that represents local government departments across the country that administer federally-supported community and economic development and affordable housing programs.

In this role, Welcher's duties include serving on one of the six NCDCA subcommittees, approving the Association's annual budget, and making decisions about the policy and direction of the Association. Welcher will also attend meetings in Washington, D.C. to speak with policy makers regarding national issues affecting America's communities.

"I am honored to serve NCDCA in this capacity and to be in a position where I can tell Augusta's story to our legislatures," said Welcher. "I look forward to working with the board members to assist local governments in providing low- and moderate-income residents with quality programs to enhance our communities."

Welcher earned his Master of Science in Management degree from Wesleyan University and a bachelor's degree in Finance from Morehouse College. He also received his certification as a Housing and Development Finance Professional with NCDCA.

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