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Corso Appointed to RTRP Executive Committee

Pat Corso, Executive Director of Moore County Partners in Progress, has been appointed to serve on the Executive Committee of the Research Triangle Regional Partnership's Board of Directors.

RTRP is a public-private partnership dedicated to keeping the 13-county Research Triangle Region, including Moore County, economically competitive and to marketing the Region for new investment and job creation. Its 59-member Board of Directors is composed of regional, community and business leaders from across the Region, including Corso and the economic developers from each of the other 12 member counties. Moore County has two other Board seats currently occupied by County Commissioner Tim Lea and Fred Hobbs, Chairman of Partners in Progress.

Corso, who has been Partners' Executive Director for just 2 months, will serve a one-year term on the Executive Committee. "The Executive Committee and Board meetings will afford me the opportunity to get to know my fellow economic developers and other leaders in the Research Triangle Region", Corso said. "The professional interaction with the other members will be invaluable as I continue to get acclimated to my new role."

RTRP is leading a 5-year, regional economic development initiative called "The Shape of Things to Come" which aims to create 100,000 new jobs and boost employment in all 13 counties through new, existing, and entrepreneurial business growth; developing and enhancing the region's assets and amenities; and engaging key partnerships to stay economically competitive.

"While it would certainly be easy to put on blinders and only focus on Moore County 100% of the time, sometimes we will reap the most benefit from regional collaboration, or seeing the bigger picture", Corso said. "My seats on both the Executive Committee and the Board will ensure I stay informed and can take advantage of any and all opportunities in the region that could potentially benefit Moore County."

Partners in Progress receives and responds to a significant number of client leads from RTRP for companies considering a location or expansion in central North Carolina.

Partners in Progress is the nonprofit economic development organization serving all of Moore County. For more information, visit www.moorebusiness.org.

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