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Arapahoe County Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld named Man of the Year *Aurora Chamber presents award during annual birthday dinner*

ARAPAHOE COUNTY, CO --- Arapahoe County Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld recently was honored with the Aurora Chamber of Commerce's most prestigious honor - Man of the Year.

Bockenfeld receive the award during the Chamber's annual awards meeting and banquet April 8. He was honored for his effective leadership and his tireless advocacy for business and his constituents.

"What our man of the year is best known for is his highly regarded skill in strengthening economic development in Arapahoe County and along the I-70 Corridor," said Dale Mingilton, the Chamber's 2006 Man of the Year recipient. "His effectiveness is due to his ability to parlay the skills he learned in his banking career and his talent as a quick study on even the most technical issues. He is the go-to guy for his organization on a broad range of issues including water, transportation and airport, as well as government finance and government performance management."

Bockenfeld, who represents District 3, is serving his second, four-year term as commissioner. He was first elected to the Board in 2005 and was reelected in 2009. He is the current Board Chairman.

As Commissioner, Bockenfeld represents the County's interests on a variety of boards and committees, including Arapahoe County Water and Wastewater Authority, immediate past chairman of the Denver Regional Council of Governments, Arapahoe County Public Airport Authority, Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority, Colorado Counties Taxation and Finance Committee, Aurora Economic Development Council, Regional Economic Advancement Partnership, the I-70 Chamber of Commerce and the Colorado Coroner's Standards Board.

Nationally, he serves as chairman of the National Association of Counties Fiscal Policy Committee of the Finance and Intergovernmental Steering Committee.

"I am deeply honored to receive this award," said Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld, who serves as Board Chairman. "The Aurora Chamber of Commerce does an outstanding job representing the needs and interests of the business community and I sincerely appreciate this honor."

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Media Note: Photos of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce's annual awards meeting and banquet are available at http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us/Pub/CM/Rod_Chamber_Dinner.

IMG_7438 Cutline: Commissioners Frank Weddig, Rod Bockenfeld and Nancy Jackson attended the Aurora Chamber of Commerce's annual awards meeting and banquet where Bockenfeld was named Man of the Year.

IMG_7440 Cutline: Commissioner Rod Bockenfeld and his wife Susan.