



# News Release

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## **CAR Endorses Hughes for Metro President**

OREGON/ SW WASHINGTON (Feb. 18, 2010) – The Commercial Association of Realtors for Oregon and Southwest Washington (ORCAR) today announced that it has endorsed former Hillsboro Mayor, Tom Hughes for Metro Council President. During Hughes’ tenure as Mayor, Hillsboro became a state leader in job creation and economic development.

“Tom understands that without a vibrant economy, our region cannot thrive. He is the only candidate in this race who has worked with businesses to create jobs and we believe this understanding will help him to guide Metro,” said Jeff Borlaug, CAR board president and vice president and director of brokerage at NAI Norris Beggs & Simpson.

Hughes taught history and government for thirty years and provided public service as a Hillsboro city councilor and planning commissioner. He was elected and served two terms as Hillsboro's mayor from 2001 to 2009. During his tenure, Hillsboro became a state leader in job creation, including through the recruitment of SolarWorld and Genentech and Intel’s developmental facility. Construction and building trade jobs were created with the Hillsboro Civic Center, the Pacific University expansion and the new Kaiser hospital. He has traveled internationally to attract companies to Oregon, especially those creating green jobs, including trade visits to Japan, Spain, Germany and Amsterdam. He currently serves as an appointee to the Governor’s Green Jobs Council.

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