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NCOIL HIGHLIGHTS FEBRUARY AS INSURANCE CAREERS MONTH

Supports Effort to Inspire Young Professionals to Choose Insurance as a Career

Manasquan, NJ – The National Council of Insurance Legislators (NCOIL) joins the Insurance Careers Movement (ICM) in focusing on February as Annual Insurance Careers Month. Overall, the ICM includes more than 1,000 insurance carriers, agents/brokerage firm, trade associations and industry partners working to engage the next generation for careers in insurance. The ICM first designated February as Insurance Careers Month in 2016.

NCOIL CEO, Commissioner Tom Considine said, “The insurance industry offers a wide variety of stable and rewarding careers, and has done so for well over a century. Getting involved early can make a large difference long term for those considering a career in insurance. Looking back on the start of my career, a pivotal moment came when I accepted a position with MetLife, where I stayed for 18 years only to leave to become the Banking and Insurance Commissioner of New Jersey. It is important for young professionals to know that there are many career opportunities in the insurance industry.”

NCOIL President, IN Rep. Matt Lehman remarked, “I began my career as an insurance agent with Bixler Insurance Inc. in 1991, became a partner in 1995, and then went on to expand that insurance practice. In my experience, insurance is a field with significant professional growth potential, and the ability to truly help make a difference in people’s lives remains constant.”

Considine continued that “I come from a family of insurance professionals. My grandfather, brother, niece and nephew all had or are having successful careers in insurance ranging from marketing to sales to underwriting, so I know firsthand that virtually all skill sets can thrive in insurance”.



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“Additionally, it is fitting that this focus on insurance careers comes during Black History Month because, sadly, Black Americans historically have been underrepresented in insurance careers, which likely plays a role in the minority community being underinsured,” he concluded.

More information about the Insurance Careers Movement can be viewed here:

<http://insurancecareerstrifecta.org/>

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