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Matt Womack

Matt Womack, Watkins Insurance Agency, wins IIAT André Juneau Young Agent of the Year Award

AUSTIN — Matt Womack, CIC, partner and principal with Watkins Insurance Group in Austin, was named André Juneau Young Agent of the Year. The presentation was made by Patrick Kinney, Field Management president for Travelers, sponsor of the award at the Independent Insurance Agents of Texas 111th Annual Conference & Trade Show.

“This year’s winner demonstrates the highest levels of accomplishment with dedication, commitment and an unwavering work ethic,” said Kinney. The award is named in honor of the late André Juneau, a past president of IIAT and past Young Agent of the Year,

“Womack has set a torrid pace,” Kinney said. “In fact barely five years ago he was not even in the insurance business. Today he is a partner and principal.”

In addition to holding the CIC, he is near completion of the Certified Risk Manager designation. He is also a graduate of the IIAT Producer Development Program.

His work as a volunteer leader with IIAT and its Trusted Choice[®] member agencies, includes having served on the Young Agents Advisory Council for two years during which time he helped create the Young Agents Recruiting video. He has also arranged scholarships for deserving young agents to attend the annual Young Agents Retreat.

“His leadership and enthusiasm have helped re-energize his local association with increased member participation in events plus increases in fund raising activities,” Kinney told a near-capacity awards-luncheon gathering.

Womack has also set an aggressive pace to increase fund raising for IIAT’s IMPACT campaigns in his region. He has served the insurance industry as a member and educator of S.C.O.R.E. – the Service Core of Retired Executives – by educating new business owners on commercial insurance needs.

As a tireless volunteer he has worked diligently to strengthen ties between the insurance industry and the greater business community with important successes: Among other memberships, he is president of Choose Austin First and is a member of the Austin Technology Council where he enjoys status as the group’s preferred insurance vendor. He is a recipient of the fund-raising all-star award for the Young Men’s Business League.

Womack’s civic and charitable work ranges from leadership positions with the Lake Travis Education Foundation and the Austin Children’s shelter to his church. Further, he and his family participate in the sponsorship of an orphanage in India. He is also co-chair of the first Dad’s Club in the Lake Travis School District.

About IIAT

The Independent Insurance Agents of Texas (IIAT) is the nation’s largest state association of Trusted Choice[®] agencies. IIAT represents some 1,800 agencies and more than 15,000 agents and insurance professionals. Trusted Choice independent agents represent multiple insurance companies. Since they are not employees of any single insurance company, they are often advocates for insurance consumers. With an independent agent, consumers can comparison shop for cost-effective customized coverage, with someone who understands their insurance needs. IIAT is also affiliated

with the Independent Insurance Agents & Brokers of America and works with legislative, regulatory and judicial bodies in Texas on behalf of independent insurance agents across the state. More information on IIAT can be found online at iiat.org.