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Kalispell Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Association Announce Unified Path Forward for Downtown Kalispell

Kalispell, MT — The Kalispell Chamber of Commerce (KCCC) and the Kalispell Downtown Association (KDA) today announced a unified path forward that brings the Downtown Kalispell Association's work into alignment with **Downtown Kalispell Forward**, strengthening coordination, expanding capacity, and positioning downtown for its next era of vitality and growth.

Following a unanimous vote of the Kalispell Downtown Association and the Kalispell Chamber of Commerce respective board of directors, this alignment reflects a shared commitment and value to building on the progress already underway through Downtown Kalispell Forward and ensuring downtown businesses and initiatives benefit from deeper organizational support, broader partnerships, and long-term sustainability.

"Downtown Kalispell plays a critical role in our community's identity and economic future," said Lorraine Diemo, CEO, KCCC. "This step connects the Kalispell Downtown Association directly to the Chamber's economic development, workforce, advocacy, and business engagement efforts, creating a stronger and more coordinated platform to serve downtown businesses and the community as a whole."

The board's decision reflects confidence that aligning efforts will enhance momentum, provide additional infrastructure, and allow downtown initiatives to grow with greater impact.

"This decision represents thoughtful leadership and a focus on the future," said Dina Gonzalez, President, KDA. "The Downtown Association has been shaped by dedicated volunteers and supporters whose contributions helped create the vibrant downtown we