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New Avenues for Youth Welcomes New Board Members, Josh Frankel and Jose Rivas

PORTLAND, OREGON: 10.05.2017 – New Avenues for Youth Board of Directors is pleased to announce the election of Josh Frankel and Jose Rivas to the board.

Mr. Frankel is Executive Vice President for West Bearing Investments, a division of Ferguson Wellman Capital Management. As a Certified Financial Planner, Frankel follows a disciplined process to fully understand his clients' goals to provide the best possible investment counsel. Mr. Frankel earned his M.B.A. and B.S. degrees from the University of Oregon, and while completing his undergraduate degree, he played football for the Ducks from 1996-2000.

Mr. Frankel has been actively involved with New Avenues since 2009, volunteering and serving for five years on the organization's Ambassador Board. In addition to his work with New Avenues, he currently serves as board member and past chair for the Oregon Club of Portland and serves on the executive committee for the Oregon Jewish Community Center. He is also the past chair of Greater Portland Hillel.

"With years of involvement as a volunteer of New Avenues, Josh brings a breadth of perspective, experience and deep connection to our mission to his new role on our Board of Directors," says Sean Suib, New Avenues' Executive Director. "We are very fortunate to have his leadership as we continue to work to end youth homelessness in our community."

Jose Rivas is District Manager for Starbucks Coffee Company serving SW Portland, Sellwood and Happy Valley since September 2016. Prior to Starbucks he served as Director of Events for the Portland Business Alliance, and began his career in business development and event planning with Office Ally, a healthcare clearinghouse and electronic health records company.

Actively involved in the community, Mr. Rivas currently serves on the boards of Our House of Portland and The Portland Farmers Market. He graduated from San Diego State University with a bachelor's degree in Mass Communications.

"Jose's professional background and passionate commitment to bettering our community makes him an incredible addition to our board," says New Avenues Executive Director, Sean Suib. "We are honored that Jose will join in our work to impact the issue of youth homelessness."

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