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Firoz Lalji Appointed to National Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC) Board of Directors

Zones' founder and CEO brings experience as a minority business champion to NMSDC and extends lifetime commitment to diversity.

Auburn, WA, December 14, 2023 — Firoz Lalji, founder and CEO of Zones has been appointed to the board of directors of the National Minority Supplier Development Council, bringing his decades of experience as a minority business owner and champion of diversity.

Lalji's participation on the board is reflective of his support and dedication in alignment with NMSDC's commitment to meeting the procurement needs of America's leading corporations, universities, hospitals, and government organizations – proving that minority business is no longer synonymous with small business, as Lalji has demonstrated with Zones' success. Zones is a global provider of end-to-end IT solutions with an unmatched global supply chain, specializing in Digital Workplace, Cloud & Data Center, Networking, Security, and Managed/Professional/Staffing services.

"I am honored to join the National Minority Supplier Development Council's board, contributing to diversity and economic growth," said Firoz Lalji. "As a minority business owner, I see the importance of MBE growth and equity and I am excited to work with peers to advance NMSDC's goals to reshape economic prospects for our communities."

The goals of NMSDC board of directors are to accelerate MBE growth and close the equity gap. "This year's NMSDC board of directors is comprised of not only the leading voices in the supplier and business diversity, but in corporate America," said NMSDC CEO and President Ying McGuire. "I am excited to work with this amazing group of individuals as we continue to transform NMSDC into an organization capable of accelerating economic growth and building generational wealth for the communities we serve."

About Zones

Zones is a global provider of end-to-end IT solutions with an unmatched global supply chain. Positioned to be the IT partner you need, Zones, a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) in business for over 35 years, specializes in Digital Workplace, Cloud & Data Center, Networking, Security, and Managed/Professional/Staffing services. Operating in more than 120 countries, leveraging a robust portfolio, and utilizing the highest certification levels from key partners, including Microsoft, Apple, Cisco, Lenovo, Adobe, and more, Zones has mastered the science of building digital infrastructures that change the way modern organizations do business. Whatever you need, you can **Consider IT Done**.

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