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## <u>THREE CONTRACTORS RECOGNIZED FOR HOLDING LONGEST ACTIVE LICENSES</u> <u>IN LIGHT OF NEVADA LICENSED CONTRACTORS WEEK</u>

*HENDERSON, Nev.* – In honor of *Nevada Licensed Contractors Week*, the Nevada State Contractors Board (NSCB) would like to recognize three businesses that acquired their licenses in 1941, when NSCB was established by the Legislature. These companies are among the oldest in Nevada.

"As the Board celebrates its 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, it is inspiring to know that businesses who first obtained their license back in 1941 continue to hold active licenses with the Board decades later," said Margi A. Grein, executive officer of NSCB. "As part of *Nevada Licensed Contractors Week*, it is an honor to recognize our longest standing licensees, as well as every licensed contractor who has contributed to the advancement and development of this great state."

**Savage & Son, Inc.**, License No. 10, originally began as a mining company, when in 1859 Leonard Coates Savage staked his claim in a silver mine near Virginia City. Later, Frank Charles Savage, Leonard's son, who started Savage & Son, Inc., in 1893, supplied mines with plumbing equipment, so that water could be pumped from mine shafts. This is how the Savages landed in the plumbing industry. The company specializes in commercial contracting, plumbing, industrial piping and HVAC. It also offers home repairs and remodeling services. The company has been in this family for four generations. Savage & Son, Inc., is reported to be the 13th oldest plumbing company in the United States and is based in Reno, Nev.

**Wells Cargo, Inc.**, License No. 273, is a family-owned and operated business, which was started by Howard A. Wells, Sr. and his two brothers in 1935. This company began hauling goods to the lumber and mining camps in Sierra Nevada with only one truck. Now, this company specializes in general engineering and building. It is also a mining, transportation and land development company located in Las Vegas, Nev. Wells Cargo, Inc. is a 3rd generation company run by Guy M. Wells, who is the son of Howard A. Wells, Jr.

**Boudwin Properties**, License No. 21A, represented "old-time" construction in Northern Nevada. Walker Boudwin owned what was once called, "Walker Boudwin Construction Company," which was a pioneer in general building. It was established in the 1920s and was responsible for constructing the legislative building in Carson City, along with the Nevada State Prison. Walker Boudwin Construction Company also built schools, warehouses, churches and banks among other things. Currently, Boudwin Properties is based in Reno, Nev. Nevada Licensed Contractors Week recognizes contributions made by licensed contractors throughout the state and raises awareness to homeowners about the benefits, protections, and best practices of hiring licensed contractors.

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