

## Candidate Statement: Ann Hoyt

As we enter the second century of NCBA CLUSA's work on behalf of domestic and international cooperatives, we face a number of challenges, not the least of which is developing a strong and shared sense of what we want our organization to be and do for co-ops. The primary reasons I seek another term on the NCBA CLUSA board are to:

- Ensure that the cooperative movement has a **strong and effective national association** that vigorously advances cooperative business and serves your unique needs;
- Work with the board and staff to ensure NCBA CLUSA's **long-term financial health** and to create a reasonable and robust **dues structure**;
- Work to identify ways NCBA CLUSA can have a significant impact on the **recognition of cooperatives as a significant economic sector** in the United States;
- Apply my extensive experience with NCBA CLUSA's international cooperative development programs to the growing **international cooperative development** agenda;
- Ensure that NCBA CLUSA continues to play its critical role in **monitoring the cooperative business environment** to identify challenges to cooperation as a business form; and
- Work with the board to create a robust and representative **governance structure**.

It has been an honor to serve on the NCBA CLUSA Board of Directors. I look forward to having the opportunity to continue to do so.