# Michael Goode Honored As Charlotte's 2022 Local Business Person Of The Year



**Charlotte, North Carolina Feb 17, 2022 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - Today, Alignable's network has chosen Michael Goode Gyber Security as Charlotte's 2022 Business Person Of the Year!** 

The 2022 contest is the most popular competition Alignable has ever hosted, marking a 64% increase in participation over last year. In all, 2,400+ small business owners were elected by their peers to be their

Local Business People Of The Year across the U.S. and Canada.

During the contest, which ran from Jan. 10 to Feb. 11, 2022, 160,000+ votes and 32,000+ testimonials were posted praising thousands of local leaders for helping their peers and communities through a turbulent year with many challenges: skyrocketing inflation, labor shortages, supply chain problems, and COVID variants.

Because of these issues, 70% of small businesses have yet to recover and recovery rates have declined 13% since December, according to Alignable's latest poll of 6,305 small business owners. This recovery reversal highlights how important it is for the contest winners to continue their work helping even more businesses bounce back from pandemic-era hurdles.

#### Giving Is The Glue Holding Us Together

"In our tight-knit community, you almost always get back what you give," said Michael Goode. "And the challenges we've all encountered have compelled many of us to offer counsel and other support to peers struggling to keep their businesses afloat. While I'm thrilled to receive this award, it's really a testament to our entire community. And it reinforces my resolve to push toward a full recovery for everyone here in Charlotte, North Carolina by the end of 2022, if not earlier."

Goode received a special badge on his Alignable profile, recognizing this big win. In past years, the awareness generated through similar contests has spurred expanded connections, as well as new business for many winners.

#### **Driving Recognition Is Key**

"This has been a fun and rewarding contest to watch unfold," said Alignable's President & Co-Founder Venkat Krishnamurthy. "Local business owners are the heart and soul of their communities and they ought to get way more recognition for all they do. Friendly competition aside, this contest generated some incredible peer testimonials (to the tune of 32,000+), showing exactly why small business owners are stronger together."

To arrange interviews with Michael Goode, please contact Carl Bjerke at <u>carl.bjerke@goodecybersec.com</u>.

### **About Goode Cybersecurity:**

With a background in military training and leadership, Michael Goode has made his mark in the Cybersecurity and Information Technology world, proving a success in both problem solving and project management. Michael Goode founded Goode Cybersecurity based on his dedication, expertise, and undivided attention to his clients. With his proven ability to manage large-scale and multi-million-dollar projects, Michael Goode has continued to strive to achieve his clients' financial and cybersecurity goals, offering a multitude of services for businesses of all scales.

#### **About Alignable:**

<u>Alignable.com</u> is the largest online referral network for small businesses in the U.S. and Canada. With 7 million+ members across 35,000+ local communities, Alignable is the network where small business owners drive leads and prospects, generate referrals, land new business, build trusted relationships, and share great advice.



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