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AMERICAN HOME FURNISHINGS HALL OF FAME FOUNDATION ELECTS 2023 OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

HIGH POINT, N.C., March 3, 2023 — The Board of Directors of the American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation Inc. has elected new officers and board members for 2023.

Karen McNeill, chief vision officer, American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation, has been elected Board president; **Scott Eckman**, president, Loloi Rugs, first vice president; **Steve Rusing**, executive vice president, Tempur Sealy International, second vice president; and **Satya Tiwari**, president, Surya, secretary-treasurer. **Caroline Hipple**, president, Norwalk Furniture, will continue to serve on the executive committee as Board chairman.

"This is a very special time to join the Board of Directors. In a little over a month, we will welcme the industry to a new gathering place, open a museum and become a public space," says Karen McNeill, CEO and president of the Board. "Here the industry will gather, honor our leaders and learn. The industry's new home will be a bridge with the community and with visitors who come to High Point to learn more about the Home Furnishings Capital of the World. The amazing fact that we have accomplished all of this in less than four years is a tribute to our strong Board of Directors and to the industry which is supporting this project. When it opens, we all will be so proud."

New directors are **Hunt Broyhill**, CEO, Broyhill Asset Management; **Tammy Nagem**, president/CEO, High Point Market Authority; **Laurie Tokarz**, president, Restonic Mattress Corp.; and **Melinda Whittington**, president/CEO, La-Z-Boy, Inc.

Board members re-elected to another three-year term are **Gat Caperton**, CEO, Caperton Furnitureworks LLC; **Randy Coconis**, president, Coconis Furniture Inc./Mattress 1st; and **Tyson Hagale**, president of home furniture components, Leggett & Platt Incorporated.

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The American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc., is an industry-wide organization founded to preserve its history, to celebrate exceptional individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the U.S. home furnishings industry, to inspire the next generation of innovative leaders and to engage the community with the world of home furnishings. In 2019, the organization purchased a building at 311 S. Hamilton St. in High Point. Our new home will be a symbol of the Home Furnishings Capital of the World™ where the industry gathers, where we tell our story and learn from our past, and where we inspire future generations. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, funds support our history and

leadership programming. The organization currently is based in High Point, North Carolina, at 202 Neal Place, Suite 101, and can be reached at 336.882.5900. Watch for ongoing developments and details about the grand opening of a new permanent home at www.homefurnishingshalloffame.com in April 2023.

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