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**THE AMERICAN HOME FURNISHINGS HALL OF FAME INDUCTION CELEBRATION
ADDS LIVESTREAMING OF THE EVENT**

HIGH POINT, N.C., Oct. 7 — The American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Foundation, Inc., will add livestreaming to the upcoming 2021 Induction Celebration for those who are unable to attend in person. Livestreaming tickets are \$50 and are available only to industry members through this link <https://ahfhof.brand.live/c/Celebration2021>.

Those who purchase tickets will have online access to the event, beginning at 6:30 p.m. until it closes at about 9:15 p.m. on October 17.

“With the uncertainty surrounding COVID, we decided to add livestreaming to the in-person, live event for those who may not attend the Market as well as for family and friends back home who are unable to attend,” says Karen McNeill Pond, CEO. “Our inductees have teammates and partners around the world and several asked if it would be possible for us to provide a way for them to attend virtually. We are pleased that Ashley Furniture immediately stepped up to underwrite the costs. As with all that the Hall of Fame does, this will be a first-class production with lots of special effects.”

Joining the current 120 members of the Hall of Fame are **Irv Blumkin**, CEO, Nebraska Furniture Mart; **Robert G. Culp III**, co-founder, former chairman and CEO, Culp, Inc.; **Myrtle Hayworth Barthmaier**, president and chairwoman, Hayworth Industries; **Robert J. Maricich**, chairman and CEO, International Market Centers; **Allan H. Palecek**, chairman and founder, PALECEK; and **Todd Wanek**, CEO and President, Ashley Furniture Industries, Inc.

The Induction Celebration will feature John Mackey, co-founder and CEO of Whole Foods Market, as the keynote speaker for the event. Hosts for the evening are interior designers, entrepreneurs and television personalities Hilary Farr and Brian Patrick Flynn.

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Tickets for this year’s American Home Furnishings Hall of Fame Induction Celebration are \$250 per ticket for members (\$2,500 for a table of 10) and \$300 per ticket for non-members (\$3,000 for a table of 10). For more information about the celebration or to purchase tickets, visit the event’s website at seizethismoment2021.com.

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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, and to inspire a new class of innovation and leadership. Membership includes eligibility to nominate candidates for consideration by the Selection Committee, and the opportunity to help preserve the history and heritage of the industry. 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, which is targeted for 2023.

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