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The Hotel Association of Canada announces the 2021 Board of Directors

(Ottawa, ON) - The Hotel Association of Canada (HAC) is pleased to welcome Mandy Farmer, Accent Inns | Hotel Zed to the Board of Directors, and congratulates David Clark, Hotel Association of Nova Scotia; Tony Cohen, Crescent Hotels & Resorts Canada; Sara Glenn, AccorHotels; Steven Watters, Alberta Hotel & Lodging Association; and Roz Winegrad, Marriott of Canada, all of whom were recently re-elected for a second term.

"The significance of the Hotel Association of Canada has never been greater or more important to Canada's hotel industry. I look forward to working with these new national directors and our continued work alongside all HAC Board members," stated Jonathan Lund, Chair of the HAC Board of Directors.

Notably, in 2020, HAC met the goal outlined in its diversity policy to reach at least 20 per cent female representation by 2020 and increased its goal pledging to increase the overall proportion of board seats held by women to 30 per cent or greater by 2022. Today, HAC is pleased to report that this goal was met one year early, an important milestone for the governance of the Association.

"The Hotel Association of Canada is proud to put diversity, gender equality, women's advancement, and representation in leadership at the forefront of our business practices. I could not be more pleased to see this goal realized," said Susie Grynol, HAC President & CEO.

The 2021 Board of Directors Elections Process was held in accordance with HAC Bylaws and the results were announced to the membership at the Association's Annual General Meeting held June 23rd, 2021.

Vito Curalli, Hilton International and Past Chair of the HAC Board, along with Didier Obeuf, Groupe Germain have also been appointed as Directors-at-Large by the 2021 Board of Directors.

The Hotel Association of Canada's 2021 Board of Directors includes:

Provincial Associations:

David Clark, General Manager, Atlantica Hotel Halifax (Hotel Association of Nova Scotia)

Tony Elenis, President & CEO, Ontario Restaurant, Hotel & Motel Association

Xavier Gret, CEO (Président-directeur general), Association Hôtellerie Québec

Ingrid Jarrett, President & CEO, British Columbia Hotel Association

Scott Jocelyn, President & CEO, Manitoba Hotel Association

Steven Watters, Corporate Director of Operations, Nova Hotels (Alberta Hotel & Lodging Association)

Corporate Brands:

Kevin Brickner, SVP, Franchise Sales and Development, Wyndham Hotels & Resorts
Sara Glenn, Senior Vice President, Operations, Canada, Bermuda and the Caribbean, AccorHotels
Brian Leon, President, Choice Hotels Canada Inc.
Jonathan Lund, Regional Vice President, InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG)
Ally Wesson, VP Marketing, Realstar Hospitality
Roz Winegrad, AVP, Owner and Franchise Services, Marriott of Canada

Management Companies:

Tony Cohen, EVP & Partner, Crescent Hotels & Resorts Canada
Philippe Gadbois, Senior Vice President, Operations, Atlific Hotels
Will Loughran, Chief Operating Officer, Aimbridge Hospitality (Evolution Hospitality)

Ownership Companies:

Lydia Chen, President & CEO, InnVest Hotels LP
Mandy Farmer, CEO of Accent Inns|Hotel Zed
Melissa French, VP Operations, Silver Hotels Group
Robert Pratt, President and CEO, Sandman and Sutton Place Hotels
Marc Staniloff, President and CEO, Superior Lodging Corp.

Directors-at-Large:

Vito Curalli, Executive Director, Canada, Latin America & International Sales Hilton Worldwide
Didier Obeuf, Vice President of Operations of Groupe Germain

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The Hotel Association of Canada is the leading voice of the Canadian hotel and lodging industry. For over 100 years, it has worked to enhance the prosperity of the industry through strong member engagement, effective advocacy, and the provision of value-added programs and services. The Hotel Association represents more than 8,200 hotels, motels and resorts that encompass the \$20.8 billion Canadian hotel industry which employs 306,600 people across Canada. For more information, please visit www.hotelassociation.ca.

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