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Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando Announces Five New Board Members

Orlando, Fla (February 9, 2018) – <u>Habitat for Humanity of Greater Orlando's</u> Board of Directors is comprised of a dedicated team committed to providing strength, stability and self-reliance through shelter for homeowners in the Orlando community. The organization is excited to announce the appointment of four new board members. Joining the Board of Directors are Lennie Arnold, Jeff Bittenbinder, Jennifer Carroll, Suresh Gupta and Herb Whitehouse.

"All five of our newest board members exemplify the mission of Habitat for Humanity and bring talent, expertise and energy to the table. We are very fortunate to have them by our side as we continue to strengthen and transform our community," shared Catherine Steck McManus, President and CEO of Habitat Greater Orlando.

Lennie Arnold is Vice President of S&ME, Inc. and leads the firm's planning, landscape architecture, civil engineering, municipal engineering and land surveying services in Florida and Tennessee. Arnold is a professional engineer licensed in multiple states and brings 32 years of experience in civil, transportation, utility, storm water and municipal engineering.

Jeff Bittenbinder is the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer of Ravago Americas, a subsidiary of Ravago Group, the global leader in the distribution, resale and compounding of commodity, engineering and specialty plastic and rubber polymers. Before joining Ravago, Bittenbinder held various finance and accounting positions with Curascript Pharmacy, a multi-billion-dollar specialty pharmacy provider, and at the public accounting firm of Ernst & Young. Bittenbinder received his Bachelor of Business Administration and Master of Accountancy from Stetson University and he is a certified public accountant licensed in the state of Florida.

Jennifer Carroll is the Director of Marketing Operations for Tupperware's US and Canada business unit. She has worked for the company for 18 years. She is an alumni of Leadership Orlando's Class 88. Prior to moving to Central Florida about 20 years ago, Carroll called the Washington DC / Suburban Maryland metro area home. Carroll has a BA in International Relations from the College of Wooster, Wooster, OH and an MBA in Accounting.

Suresh Gupta is Chief Executive Officer and Founder of Park Square Homes, one of Central Florida's largest privately held homebuilders. For the past 31 years, he has led every aspect associated with residential real estate and homebuilding including a proven track record for increasing sales, market share and profitability. While growing the family business, he has been President over associated mortgage and title companies and has had extensive experience in managing other interests such as hotels and multi-family entities. Gupta currently serves on various advisory boards and community charitable organizations.

Herb Whitehouse is the In-House Counsel at ABC Fine Wines & Spirits. A noted national speaker and published author, Herb has directed corporate benefit plan design and administration and high level fiduciary oversight for such notable organizations as Johnson & Johnson, Chase Manhattan Bank, and Great Eastern Bank in New York City. Herb brings us very relevant experience in the areas of zoning and land use law, coupled with the skills of a corporate attorney.

The 2017-2018 Habitat Greater Orlando Board of Directors are: Chairman, Karl Hodges of Concord Healthcare Development; Vice Chair, Rhonda Rhodes of Universal Orlando; Treasurer, Eric Schreck of Trustco Bank; Secretary, Janice Abrew-Coriano of Rosen Hotels & Resorts; At Large, Jeff Jennings of Jack Jennings & Sons; At Large, Latria Leak of Graham Leak Branding; At Large, Jason Schrago of Newmark Knight Frank; At Large, Keith Lovett, Home Wise Realty Group; Immediate Past Chair, Erin Gray of CNL Financial Group; Lennie Arnold of SM&E Inc.; Pete Barr, Jr., of &Barr; Jeff Bittenbinder of

Ravago Americas; Jennifer Carroll of Tupperware Brands Corporation; Ginnette Childs of Akerman; Andrew Fisher of Fisher Law, P.A.; Doug Foreman of Fringe Benefit Plans; Vivian Gonzalez-Padilla of Steven Douglas Associates; Suresh Gupta of Park Square Homes; Frank Jameson of Wells Fargo; Scott Kimpel of PCL Construction Services, Inc.; Sean Marrero of Correct Craft; Rita McCauley of Grosvenor Services; Julie Watson, Community Volunteer; Herb Whitehouse of ABC Fine Wines & Spirits; and Gwen White of Loew's Hotels.

About Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County

Habitat for Humanity Greater Orlando & Osceola County partners with sponsors, donors and volunteers to build affordable housing, revitalize neighborhoods and strengthen communities. Habitat homeowners help build their own homes alongside volunteers and pay an affordable mortgage, achieving the strength, stability and independence to build a better life for themselves and their families.

Neighborhood Revitalization efforts are tailored to address the vision of residents who take on leadership roles in their community's renewal. Residents are empowered to revive their neighborhood through repairs, beautification projects, community cleanups and developing community partnerships to enhance their quality of life and to nurture their sustainability.

Habitat Orlando & Osceola is one of approximately 2,100 U.S. affiliates of Habitat for Humanity International. To learn more about Habitat Orlando & Osceola, call (407) 648-4567 or visit www.habitatorlandoosceola.org, like us on Facebook/habitatorlandoosceola and follow us on Twitter @ HabitatOrlOsc.

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