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FORMER MANUFACTURED HOUSING PROGRAM HEAD RETIRES

Washington, D.C., April 3, 2017 – The Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory Reform (MHARR) has learned that the former administrator of the federal manufactured housing program at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Mr. Henry Czauski, Esq., has retired from HUD as of April 1, 2017. In announcing his retirement, Mr. Czauski stated that during his 37-year career at HUD, including 31 years in the Office of General Counsel as a Staff Attorney, Senior Attorney, Chief Counsel, Regional Counsel, Departmental Enforcement Center (DEC) Director, and six years as a Senior Advisor in the HUD Office of Housing, he “had the good fortune to do interesting work ... with some great people.”

Mr. Czauski’s tenure at the HUD manufactured housing program spanned an important period, during which he restored fairness, equilibrium and, most importantly, respect for the law – fundamental and essential pillars for a program that had increasingly turned away from the letter and intent of the critical reforms mandated by Congress in the Manufactured Housing Improvement Act of 2000 -- and has since turned away from the law in an even more serious manner.

Mr. Czauski assumed the leadership of the HUD program during a particularly turbulent period that saw multiple changes in program management over a relatively short time, and held that position for nearly four years while maintaining the title of “Senior Advisor.” In that role, he demonstrated not only a determination to comply with the law regarding both substance and procedure, but a level of respect for all program stakeholders and a devotion to the full purposes and intent of the 2000 law that has not been seen since. That devotion and respect, for the law and all program stakeholders – which has been sadly and inexcusably absent under the current program administrator – is necessary to achieve the positive results for both consumers and the industry that Congress intended, and must be restored if the program is to fulfill its crucial mission.

In Washington, D.C., MHARR President and CEO Mark Weiss stated: “Henry Czauski’s leadership of the HUD manufactured housing program represented an ‘oasis’ of reasonableness, fairness and equilibrium within a program that has too often been characterized by turmoil and disregard for plainly applicable legal requirements. His consistent respect for the law and for program stakeholders and their representatives – even when sometimes disagreeing on matters of policy – was a welcome departure from the norm both before and since. He has been – and will be – sorely missed, and on behalf of MHARR, we wish him the best in all his future endeavors.”

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In addition, former MHARR President and CEO – and current MHARR Senior Advisor Danny Ghorbani -- said: “Having represented the industry since the inception of the HUD manufactured housing program and having had the opportunity to work with program leaders over the course of five decades, Henry Czauski brought an integrity to the HUD manufactured housing program that was highly valued and should stand as an example to all who serve in that position. I wish him all the best for the future.”

The Manufactured Housing Association for Regulatory Reform is a Washington, D.C.-based national trade association representing the views and interests of independent producers of federally-regulated manufactured housing.