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McCARTER THEATRE CENTER WELCOMES NEW PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PRINCETON, NJ: At its final Board of Trustees meeting of the season, McCarter Theatre Center welcomed Robert J. Caruso as its new President. Mr. Caruso was elected to serve a three year term, succeeding outgoing Interim Board President Reginald Browne.

Mr. Caruso is the Founder and Chairman of The Impact Republic Company, a global brand marketing and business consulting enterprise headquartered in New York City. A member of McCarter's Board of Trustees since 2012, Bob and his wife Michelle and their five children have been Princeton residents since 2010.

Regarding this new appointment, McCarter Theatre Center Managing Director Michael S. Rosenberg said "Bob is a perfect choice. His innovative expertise, enthusiasm, experience on the Board and passion for the arts will ensure we sustain our commitment to our vital community-based missions and build for an exciting future."

Mr. Rosenberg added "I also wish to thank Reggie Browne for his invaluable leadership as Interim Board President. McCarter has benefited immeasurably from Reggie's incomparable dedication and advocacy for the theater. His tireless efforts and support during my first season have meant the world to me personally. "

Additionally, McCarter celebrates a number of outgoing trustees, including:

- Robert Durkee – Vice President and Secretary of Princeton University
- Lena Chang, PhD – Co-founder of Cure Auto Insurance
- Brian McDonald – former Vice President of Development for Princeton University
- Chad Klaus – Vice President of University Services for Princeton University
- Ellen Gould Barber – Member, Gould Group of Wells Fargo Advisors
- Victoria Hamilton – Principal at Victoria Hamilton, Esq

Regarding these departing Board members, Mr. Rosenberg continued, saying that "McCarter has always been fortunate to have extremely talented and dedicated Trustees. Their leadership and support have strengthened McCarter and we—along with the Princeton community—are better thanks to their work. We will miss their wise counsel, gentle guidance, and sustaining support."

About McCarter Theatre Center

Under the leadership of award-winning playwright and Artistic Director Emily Mann, Managing Director Michael S. Rosenberg, and Special Programming Director William W. Lockwood, McCarter's mission is to create world-class theater and present the finest artists for the engagement, education, and entertainment for the community. Winner of the 1994 Tony Award® for Outstanding Regional Theatre, world premieres include Christopher Durang's *Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike* (2013 Tony® – Best Play); Tarell Alvin McCraney's *The Brother/Sister Plays*; Emily Mann's *Having Our Say*; and Danai Gurira's *The Convert*. Upcoming productions for 2019-2020 include *Gloria: A Life*, written and restaged for McCarter by Emily Mann; Lookingglass Theatre Company's production of Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*; Rachel Bonds' *Goodnight Nobody*; Anthony Shaffer's murder mystery, *Sleuth*; and Nathan Alan Davis' *The Refuge Plays*. McCarter brings artists from around the world to Princeton, New Jersey including Ira Glass, Rhiannon Giddens, Roseanne Cash, and more. Education and outreach efforts serve tens of thousands through student matinees, in-school residencies, and adult classes. More at mccarter.org.

McCarter is supported by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Princeton University, and over 2,000 individuals, corporations, community leaders, and foundations.

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