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NEW MEMBERS ELECTED TO THE GREEN MUSIC CENTER BOARD OF ADVISORS

The Green Music Center Board of Advisors today announced the appointment of three new members: John Boland, Connie Coddling, and Joseph B. Flannery. The new members will serve alongside 20 existing board members including Chair Henry Hansel, Vice-Chair Margaret McCarthy, Secretary Rebecca Green Birdsall, Finance Committee Chair William C. White, and Nominating Committee Chair Anne Benedetti.

New members of the Green Music Center Board of Advisors:

John Boland, President and Chief Executive Officer of KQED Public Media

Connie Coddling, President, Coddling Foundation

Joseph B. Flannery, Senior Vice President and General Manager, Newell Brands Technical Apparel

John Mackey, Senior Vice President and Managing Director of Investment & Fiduciary Services, Exchange Bank

Board Chair Henry Hansel stated, "I am delighted to welcome these new members to our board of advisors. At the Green Music Center, an extension of our mission is to partner with our region in meaningful, musical ways, providing a platform for community engagement, social awareness, and real connections. With such a range of backgrounds, the skills and experience each brings to this board are a real asset to the Green Music Center, Sonoma State University, and surrounding communities."

The Board of Advisors provides counsel to the leadership of the Green Music Center and Sonoma State University on strategic direction for the Green Music Center, including development efforts, community engagement and education initiatives, marketing, and programming. With insight and influence provided from the Board of Advisors, the Green Music Center can engage more deeply with various communities in the region, allowing increased awareness and more significant support of its many programs both on and off the stage.

Existing members of the Green Music Center Board of Advisors:

Henry Hansel, President, Hansel Auto Group

Margaret McCarthy, Chief Financial Officer, WideOrbit Inc.

Rebecca Green Birdsall, Proprietor, Black Kite Cellars

William C. White, Owner, Basin Street Properties

Anne Benedetti, Member, Santa Rosa Symphony League; Past President and Emeritus Board Member, Santa Rosa Symphony; retired music teacher

Sonu Chandi, President and CEO, Chandi Hospitality Group

James O. Ellis, Jr., Annenberg Distinguished Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University; Retired Commander of the United States Strategic Command

Sandra Velasco Jordan, Owner, Sandra Jordan Collection

H. Andréa Neves, Professor Emeritus of Education, Sonoma State University and Stanford University

Irv Rothenberg, CPA/PFS and Wealth Advisor, Buckingham Wealth Strategies

John Ryan, President and Partner, Brookfield Residential Properties, Bay Area

Greg Sarris, Graton Rancheria Endowed Chair in Writing and Native American Studies at Sonoma State University; Chairman, Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria

Brian F. Schmidt, Medical Director of Level II Trauma Center, Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital; Medical Director, Sonoma Raceway

Existing Ex Officio members of the Green Music Center Board of Advisors:

Judy K. Sakaki, President, Sonoma State University

Jacob Yarrow, Executive Director, Green Music Center at Sonoma State University

Lisa Vollendorf, Provost and Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs, Sonoma State University

Joyce Lopes, Vice President for Administration and Finance, Sonoma State University

Ben Ford, Professor of Mathematics at Sonoma State University

Wilson Hall, Associated Students President, Sonoma State University

Donald Green, Co-founder, Optilink Corp; former CEO, Advanced Fibre Communications

For more information about the Green Music Center and its Board of Advisors, please visit gmc.sonoma.edu or email greenmusiccenter@sonoma.edu.

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ABOUT THE GREEN MUSIC CENTER

The Green Music Center is the performing arts presenter at Sonoma State University. The mission of the Green Music Center to present the most compelling artists of our time, to investigate ideas, and to provide access to diverse artistic experiences that educate, connect, and inspire Sonoma State University and neighboring North Bay communities.

Surrounded by the foothills of Sonoma County, the Green Music Center includes the 1,400-seat Weill Hall, with a rear wall that opens to lawn seating for a unique summertime experience, and the intimate 240-seat Schroeder Hall. As a focal point for the arts and education in the region, the Green Music Center presents artists year-round, serving as home to the Santa Rosa Symphony, Sonoma Bach, and the Sonoma State University Music Department.