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Illinois Chamber Board of Directors Announces Tony Reinhart as New Board Chairman

The Illinois Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Tony Reinhart of Ford Motor Company as its new Board Chairman. Tony was elected during today's board meeting, held at the DuPage Foundation in Downers Grove.

"Being elected to serve as Chairman of the Illinois Chamber is a true honor," said Tony Reinhart of Ford Motor Company. "I appreciate the confidence of the Board and look forward to building on the progress we've made, working alongside my fellow board members, and continuing to advance the Chamber's mission across Illinois."

Tony Reinhart serves as Director of State and Local Government Affairs for Ford Motor Company, leading the company's state and local legislative and policy efforts nationwide. During his more than 30-year career with Ford, he has held key leadership roles in government relations and corporate affairs. He serves on the Executive Committee of the Alliance for Automotive Innovation and is a past chair of the Autonomous Vehicle Industry Association, helping shape policy for the automotive and autonomous vehicle industries. Tony also serves on the boards of several organizations, including the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce, Calumet Industrial Commission, and Chicago Civic Federation, and chairs the Ford Civic Action Fund. He and his wife, Michel, have two daughters, Lauren and Hannah.

"As we enter this new chapter, I can think of no one better to lead our Board than Tony. Throughout his distinguished career, he has earned a reputation as a thoughtful leader, a consensus builder, and a passionate advocate for policies that drive innovation, investment, and economic growth," said Jimmy Clayton, President and CEO of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce. "Tony's experience, character, and commitment to our mission make him an outstanding choice to serve as Chairman. I am excited about what lies ahead and confident that, under his leadership, the Illinois Chamber will continue to grow its influence and advance a stronger future for Illinois businesses."

"Serving as Chairman of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce the past two years has been an incredible honor," said Dan Wagner, senior vice president of government relations for The Inland Real Estate Group of Companies, Inc. "This experience has given me the opportunity to build meaningful relationships, strengthen partnerships throughout Illinois' business community, and work alongside an exceptional group of leaders and advocates. "Serving as interim CEO for several months gave me an even greater appreciation for the important work of the Illinois Chamber and reinforced the

responsibility and privilege that come with serving as Chairman. I am confident the Illinois Chamber is well-positioned for continued success, and I am honored to pass the mantle to someone as respected and accomplished as Tony.”

“Few organizations are fortunate enough to experience a leadership transition between two individuals of Dan Wagner’s and Tony Reinhart’s caliber,” added President and CEO Clayton. “Dan Wagner is an extraordinary leader, trusted advisor, and steadfast champion for the Illinois Chamber. Over the past two years, Dan has led with integrity, wisdom, and an unwavering commitment to strengthening our organization. We are grateful for his service and for the enduring impact he has made on the Chamber and the business community we represent.”

We extend our sincere appreciation to Dan for his dedicated service and commitment to the Illinois Chamber of Commerce over the past two years. His leadership has been instrumental to our work, and while he is stepping down as Chairman, we look forward to his continued engagement and presence within our broader Chamber community.

Please join us in welcoming Tony in his role as Chairman of the Board. We look forward to the leadership, dedication, and commitment he will bring to the Chamber as we continue to advance our mission.

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