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HRRRA launches Hampton Roads REALTORS® Association Candidate Institute

CHESAPEAKE – REALTORS® are tireless advocates for local, state and national policy to strengthen Americans' ability to rent, own, buy and sell real property, with the 1.5-million member REALTOR® organization widely considered one of the nation's most effective advocacy organizations at the local, state and national levels.

Nurturing future advocates, the Hampton Roads REALTORS® Association (HRRRA) announces the launch of its Hampton Roads REALTORS® Association Candidates Institute, a year-long program that will immerse participants in the worlds of ethics, leadership, politics and public policy. These members will benefit from the knowledge and insight of legislators, National Association of REALTORS® speakers and HRRRA leaders while exploring the civic process and enhancing their leadership skills and self-awareness.

The Institute will also equip participants with the skills necessary to serve on appointed bodies – from regulatory groups such as planning commissions and zoning boards – to elected ones, including city councils, school boards, and even state legislature.

The inaugural class was selected following thorough vetting of each applicant's commitment to the Institute's rigorous program and monthly training with the first session held March 22. Those chosen for the 2022 inaugural class are:

- Jennifer Dawn, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Towne Realty;
- Stacie Gosiene, Verian Realty;
- Lee Halyard, Lee S. Halyard & Associates;
- Linda Harrison, Pivot Real Estate;
- Joe Hernandez, James & Lee Realty;
- Jimmy Jackson, Rose & Womble Realty;
- Bob Mohrhusen, AnnieMac Home Mortgage;
- Beryl Plum, Canzell Realty;
- Traci Lewis VanCamp, RE/MAX Alliance; and,
- Seba Walters, Coldwell Banker NOW.
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The Hampton Roads REALTORS® Association Candidate Institute also addresses HRRRA's goal to elevate the quality of tools and resources that HRRRA offers its 5,000 members.

"We will continue to grow our advocacy by leaps and bounds in 2022. From Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, to standing up when property rights are violated, to protecting your commissions and jobs, we will continue to elevate the force that we are," HRRRA Chairman of the Board Barbara Sgueglia said.

The Hampton Roads REALTORS® Association is an organization of REALTORS® and Affiliates, whose mission is to enhance the ability of REALTORS® throughout Eastern Virginia to achieve business success in an ethical and professional manner, and to protect and preserve private property rights.

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