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To: PGA of America
Re: Nathan Charnes
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To Whom It May Concern:

This correspondence is to provide my full endorsement of Nathan Charnes, PGA as a candidate for Secretary of the PGA of America.

I have known Nathan since I began volunteering for the PGA REACH Gateway Foundation in early 2014. Over these past 8 years I have come to know Nathan as a friend, but also as an exceptional leader within the PGA REACH Gateway Foundation, the Gateway PGA Section, and within the mutual community in which he and I live with our families.

The continued success story of the PGA REACH Gateway Foundation, its mission and programs includes Nathan Charnes. During his tenure as President of the Gateway Section, Nathan also served on the Foundation's Board of Directors providing his vision and input into the discussions of how the Foundation can continue to "help as many people as we can", an inspirational directive from our Foundation's President, MLB Hall of Famer, Ozzie Smith. Nathan continues to be involved in the Foundation's work in many ways.

My volunteer path with the Foundation has led me to be the current Chair of the Foundation's Board of Directors and in that position, I am also one of two Non-PGA Professionals on the Gateway PGA Section's Board of Directors. Through these involvements, I have had many opportunities to talk with and listen to Nathan in a group setting and one-on-one.

Nathan is a visionary leader within his profession, as well as being a person who is in the trenches with his fellow professionals to elevate the value of PGA Professionals and to grow the game in strategic ways. His vision also includes a fundamental belief that we share... that golf is more than just a game. His leadership within our Section and Foundation, his regional leadership role, and his position on the PGA of America Board has shown his strong commitment to the future of his profession, the game of golf, and the "good" that golf brings to many.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to share my endorsement of Nathan. He is a PGA Professional and a leader, who displays integrity in all that he does. I have seen Nathan makes things happen within his profession and his community, on many occasions. It is my belief that Nathan would be an exceptional asset for his fellow PGA Professionals and the game of golf in this prominent role within the PGA of America.

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