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U.S. Hemp Roundtable Announces Diverse, Influential Slate of 2021 National Officers

New Officers Represent Broad Cross-section of Industry Leaders who "Look Like America"

<u>WASHINGTON, DC</u> – The U.S. Hemp Roundtable, the hemp industry's national business advocacy organization, today announced its slate of national officers for 2021, a collection of industry leaders from across the hemp food chain spectrum. The group includes CEOs and senior corporate officials from companies that are engaged in the hemp fiber, food, animal products, and CBD spaces, and of the 11 officials, five are women, four are people of color, and one is a member of the LGBTQ+ community.

"We're proud and excited to be led by such a prominent, active and diverse group of hemp industry business leaders," stated Jonathan Miller, the Roundtable's General Counsel. "Not only do our officers represent the broad cross-section of hemp industry efforts, our officers look like America, and help the Roundtable work towards its critical missions of equality, inclusion and minority empowerment."

The Roundtable's 2021 officer slate includes:

President: Ola Lessard, Chief Marketing Officer, HempFusion, Bellingham, WA

Executive Vice President: Brittani Cushman, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary, Turning Point Brands, Inc., Washington, DC

Vice President for Federal Lobbying: Pete Meachum, Senior Director of Government Affairs, The Cronos Group, Washington, DC

Vice President for State Lobbying: Anissa Medina, Regulatory Affairs Specialist, CV Sciences, San Diego, CA

Vice President for Law and Science: Eric Wang, CEO, Ananda Hemp/Ecofibre, Georgetown, KY

Vice President for Marketing: Jay Hartenbach, CEO, Medterra, Irvine, CA

Vice President for Membership: Steve Smith, CEO, Pet Releaf, Littleton, CO

Vice President for Audit/Governance: Tom Siciliano, CEO, Elixinol, Westminster, CO

Convening Officer of Minority Empowerment: Amber Littlejohn, Executive Director, Minority Cannabis Business

Association, Washington, DC

Secretary: Brittany Warford, Attorney, Frost Brown Todd, Louisville, KY

Treasurer: John Copeland, CPA, Blue & Co., Lexington, KY

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