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WILLIAM HYNDMAN NAMED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FIRST TEE OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA *John MacDonald Retires After 35 Years of Service*

PHILADELPHIA (Nov. 30, 2015) – The First Tee of Greater Philadelphia announced today that William Hyndman V, grandson of the famed Philadelphia amateur golfer William Hyndman III, was named its new executive director. Hyndman, the founder and former president of Patriot Connections, succeeds John MacDonald, a former Temple University Hall of Fame golf coach, who is retiring after 35 years of service.

“Bill Hyndman has an outstanding passion for mentoring others and the First Tee is thrilled to appoint him as our new Executive Director,” said R. Jay Sigel, president of the Board of Directors of The First Tee of Greater Philadelphia. “The First Tee is confident that he will be able to blend his love of golf with his experience running his self-founded company, to make the First Tee even more successful.”

“On behalf of the Board, I also express our deep gratitude to John MacDonald for his leadership, vision and selfless dedication to The First Tee of Greater Philadelphia for the past 35 years,” Mr. Sigel said. “All that The First Tee has accomplished including being consistently recognized as a Top Performer among the 200 TFT chapters nationwide is the result of John’s hard work.”

“It was truly an honor to lead The First Tee for so many years,” said John MacDonald. “The First Tee’s mission is to inspire youth to be their very best. With Bill Hyndman’s passion for golf and mentoring, these kids will continue to be successful under his direction.”

Bill Hyndman joins the organization with a strong background in golf. A member of Germantown Academy’s Athletic Hall of Fame and former captain of its golf team, Hyndman also played varsity on the University of Richmond’s Division I golf team. In 1988, he was the 1988 GPSGA tournament medalist, before it became known as The First Tee of Greater Philadelphia.

“Golf has been very good to me and my family,” Hyndman said. “I’m thrilled to give back to the game and to introduce it to the next generation of golfers. Currently, we have a reach of 14,000 area youth whom we serve in various capacities, which is fantastic – but we want to do more. We are asking ourselves how we can expand our programs with new corporate partners and additional volunteers who can help us to grow our mission and connect with even more kids. I know there are many other children out there that we can reach and that’s my goal as the new Executive Director.”

Hyndman is also a 14-year US Army veteran, having served as a UH-60 Blackhawk pilot and airborne paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division and as a flight commander for the United Nations in Macedonia. After leaving the Army, the three-time Meritorious Service Medal recipient founded Patriot Connections in 2014—a recruiting company that transitions all levels of military service members to all types of businesses.

ABOUT THE FIRST TEE OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA

The First Tee of Greater Philadelphia is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit youth development organization that reaches out to children in the Philadelphia metropolitan area and teaches them the fundamentals and life-enhancing values of golf. The First Tee has sites in three counties in New Jersey and five counties in Pennsylvania including two teaching and playing facilities, FDR Golf Course (South Philadelphia) and Walnut Lane Golf Club (Roxborough). In 2012, The First Tee of

Greater Philadelphia expanded its footprint from Philadelphia County to the eight-county metropolitan area that surrounds it. This includes Philadelphia, Bucks, Montgomery, Chester, Delaware, Camden, Burlington, and Gloucester counties. Since its rebranding in 2004, thousands of youth have been receiving programming at 12 golf courses, 22 schools, 16 Boys and Girls Clubs, and four 4-H clubs.

For more information on The First Tee of Greater Philadelphia, visit <http://www.thefirstteephiladelphia.org/>.

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