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Governor Baker Appoints Patricia McArdle to MassHousing Board of Directors

BOSTON – February 14, 2018 – Governor Charlie Baker has appointed Patricia A. McArdle, Esq., to the MassHousing Board of Directors. Ms. McArdle, an attorney, heads the Law Office of Patricia A. McArdle and Associates, PC, in Mattapoisett.

"Patricia McArdle is a highly qualified legal professional who will bring several years of experience to the MassHousing Board," **said Governor Baker**. "We look forward to working with her, the board and all other stakeholders as we continue to develop affordable housing opportunities across the Commonwealth."

Ms. McArdle is an experienced attorney with expertise in property and real estate law, family law, business law, and estate planning and probate law. She is a graduate of Roger Williams University School of Law and is licensed to practice law in Massachusetts and in Rhode Island. She is a member of the American Bar Association and the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. She formerly served on the Planning Board in the Town of Marion and as Town Moderator.

"I am really honored to have been considered and appointed the Board of Directors," **said Ms. McArdle**. "Having served on local boards and participated in local board meetings in Southeastern Massachusetts, I have seen firsthand the disconnection between trying to provide much needed affordable housing and a municipality trying to control its own destiny. I am very excited about the programs offered by MassHousing, including the new Community Scale Housing Initiative (CSHI). I am hoping that I can help bridge the gap between the exciting projects taking shape in the Boston area and creating the same in Southeastern Massachusetts."

"MassHousing's mission is to confront the housing challenges facing Massachusetts and Patricia's legal expertise and real estate experience will be of great benefit to the MassHousing Board," **said**MassHousing Chairman Michael J. Dirrane. "We appreciate the Governor's thoughtful appointment and look forward to Patricia's insight into our work to provide cost-effective affordable housing for the residents of Massachusetts."

MassHousing Board members are unpaid volunteers who are appointed by the Governor, typically to seven-year terms, although in the event of a vacancy a new member can be appointed to fill out the remainder of a former member's term.

About MassHousing

MassHousing (The Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency) is an independent, quasi-public agency created in 1966 and charged with providing financing for affordable housing in Massachusetts. The Agency raises capital by selling bonds and lends the proceeds to low- and moderate-income homebuyers and homeowners, and to developers who build or preserve affordable and/or mixed-income rental housing. MassHousing does not use taxpayer dollars to sustain its operations, although it administers some publicly funded programs on behalf of the Commonwealth. Since its inception, MassHousing has provided more than \$22 billion for affordable housing. For more information, visit the MassHousing website at www.masshousing.com, follow us on Twitter @MassHousing, subscribe to our blog and Like us on Facebook.

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