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Mary Ann Herman Joins Home Forward Board

PORTLAND, OR — 17 April 2014 —

Business executive and civic leader Mary Ann “Miki” Herman has been appointed to Home Forward’s board of commissioners, holding a City of Portland seat on the nine-member volunteer citizen board that governs the agency.

“We’re excited to welcome Miki to the board,” said Board Chair David Widmark, “She is an exceptional business person who is committed to using her considerable talent to help those who have less.”

Herman has extensive executive experience in real estate development and management, finance, planning, and procurement. She was a member of the senior management team that catapulted Starbucks to national market leadership and went on to executive roles at The Discovery Channel Store, Nau Inc., and Sears. She is a Foundation Board Trustee and chair of the volunteer board of the Albertina Kerr Centers, where she has led the development of a new and transformative business strategy for the 34 year shops and restaurant.

“Home Forward provides important services that are critical to our diverse population. I look forward to contributing to programs that make life better for so many. In particular, I am interested in real estate development that produces more affordable homes and initiatives that help our residents remain in their homes as they age,” Herman said.

About Home Forward

Home Forward (the new name for the Housing Authority of Portland) is dedicated to providing safe, decent, and affordable housing for individuals and families who are challenged by income, disability, or special need. A public corporation, Home Forward serves all of Multnomah County, including the cities of Gresham, Fairview, and Troutdale and other East County communities.

Home Forward’s Mission

The mission of Home Forward is to assure that the people of the community are sheltered. Home Forward has a special responsibility to those who encounter barriers to housing because of income, disability or special need.

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