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Mattress Factory Announces New Executive Director

PITTSBURGH, PA (June 22, 2018) – The Mattress Factory Board of Directors announces Michael Olijnyk as the new Executive Director of the Mattress Factory, effective immediately. Olijnyk’s dedication to the museum’s mission and to championing artists from Pittsburgh and throughout the world will carry the museum forward into a new era.

Board Chairman Michael White said, “The Mattress Factory is looking forward to the future under the leadership of Michael Olijnyk. We are confident that Michael’s vision and passion for the museum will continue to inspire the artists and art lovers of the world.”

Working alongside the Mattress Factory’s founding director, Barbara Luderowski (1930-2018), Olijnyk has played an integral role in the museum’s leadership since it was first incorporated as a nonprofit in 1977. In 2008, the Board promoted Olijnyk to Co-Director, sharing the duties and responsibilities of directorship with Luderowski. His transition to Executive Director has long been a part of the museum’s Succession Plan.

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About the Mattress Factory: Hailed as the best museum for installation art in the United States, the Mattress Factory invites visitors to experience “art you can get into.” Over the past 41 years, the Mattress Factory has presented and commissioned new installation and performance works by over 750 artists, both established and emerging, who have challenged themselves and their audiences through the support of the museum’s exceptional residency program. The Mattress Factory’s education and outreach programs serve more than 30,000 students, teachers, adults and families annually, and its activities as a visitor attraction, educator and employer continue to invigorate Pittsburgh’s North Side. For more information, call 412.231.3169 or visit mattress.org