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MATTRESS FACTORY NAMES HAYLEY HALDEMAN INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

(PITTSBURGH PA, January 25, 2019) - The Mattress Factory Board of Directors announces the appointment of Hayley Haldeman as Interim Executive Director of the museum. Ms. Haldeman will assume her role as Interim Director on Monday, February 11. She was unanimously appointed by the Board, and she enters her new role with the full support of Judith O'Toole, whose last day as Acting Director will be Thursday, January 31.

Ms. Haldeman has been a litigator with international law firm Jones Day since 2012. She counsels non-profit and tax exempt organizations as part of her pro bono practice and has served on the Mattress Factory Board of Directors since 2014.

"I am very happy to have Hayley following my tenure as Interim Executive Director. She has supported our new initiatives and will be a strong leader. I know that she is passionate about the Mattress Factory and dedicated to its success," said Judith O'Toole. "With strong ties to the art community, she possesses a unique skill set that makes her an ideal person to guide the museum into its next phase."

"I am excited to work with the Mattress Factory and the community in this transition period. I look forward to engaging with its fantastic staff and appreciate the support of the Board of Directors," said Ms. Haldeman. "We all want the same thing: for this great institution to thrive."

Mary Navarro, who served as a special advisor to Ms. O'Toole since October, will continue in that role with Ms. Haldeman. During her time as Interim Executive Director, Ms. Haldeman will relinquish her position on the Mattress Factory Board of Directors.

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 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.*

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