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Wilmington Chamber of Commerce Engages Search Firm to Find New President & CEO

Wilmington, N.C. – The Board of Directors of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce is beginning its search for the Chamber’s next President & Chief Executive Officer, retaining Waverly Partners, LLC as its executive search firm. Waverly Partners is a national executive search firm and the preferred provider of executive search services of the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives. Immediate Past Board Chair Chris Boney will serve as Chair of an 8-member Search Committee that will work with Waverly Partners to identify qualified local, regional and national candidates.

“Waverly Partners consultants met with our Committee, Chamber staff and a variety of community leaders and representatives. We have developed a profile with the experience and leadership characteristics of our preferred candidate,” Boney said. “Our committee is open to executives with backgrounds in chambers of commerce, business associations, economic development organizations, other kinds of nonprofits, private sector or related experience with a commitment to our mission of business advocacy in Wilmington and this region.” The [profile](#) has also been posted on the Chamber’s website.

The Chamber’s former President & CEO, Connie Majure-Rhett, served the Chamber for over 20 years and recently retired. Dick Blouse, the former President & CEO of the Detroit Regional Chamber and a resident of Southport, North Carolina, is serving as Interim President.

For more information, contact search consultants Eric Peterson of Cleveland or Harrison Turnbull of Charlotte at Wilmington@Waverly-Partners.com; all inquiries will be held in confidence.

About the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce

The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce is the largest membership-based business association in Southeastern North Carolina. The Chamber's mission is to ensure economic prosperity throughout our region. This is accomplished by: creating a diverse, inclusive organization that serves as a strong voice for businesses in the Greater Wilmington area; offering unique membership benefits, services and education; and challenging government officials to address long term community and business interests.

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