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TOBA NAMES OFFICERS & 10 TRUSTEES TO BOARD

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. -- The Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association announced today the election of Peter Willmott as chairman of its Board of Trustees. Mr. Willmott succeeds Reynolds Bell, Jr. Also joining Willmott on the Board of Trustees to serve three-year terms as new members are Clifford Barry, Antony Beck, Michael McMahon, Charlotte Weber and Jack Wolf.

Re-elected to three-year terms were current trustees C. Steven Duncker, John Greely IV, Lansdon Robbins, Peter Willmott and Christopher Young.

Immediately following its annual members meeting, the TOBA Board of Trustees met to elect officers for the 2,200-member association. Officers named for 2011-2012 are: Peter Willmott, chairman, Seth Hancock, vice-chairman; Dan Metzger, president; Dr. J. David Richardson, secretary; and Jack Wolf, treasurer.

"I am honored that I have been chosen by my peers to serve as chairman of TOBA," said Peter Willmott. "Owners and breeders are the venture capitalists of this industry and TOBA will continue its efforts to see that the return on their time, effort and treasure invested is improved."

The TOBA Board also approved the re-appointment of Seth Hancock to the American Graded Stakes Committee.

TOBA, based in Lexington, Ky., was formed in 1961 and is a national trade organization leading Thoroughbred horse breeders and owners. TOBA's mission is to *"improve the economics, integrity and pleasure of the sport on behalf of Thoroughbred owners and breeders."* Projects managed by TOBA include the American Graded Stakes Committee, Sales Integrity Program, The Racing Game, and Claiming Crown. Thoroughbred Charities of America is the charitable arm of TOBA. TOBA is the owner of The Blood-Horse, Inc., and is represented on the Board of Directors of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association as a founding member. More information on TOBA appears on www.toba.org.

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