



HOCKEY HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCES UPCOMING CHAIR OF THE BOARD SUCCESSION APPOINTMENT

TORONTO (September 9, 2024) – **Lanny McDonald**, Chair of the Board of the Hockey Hall of Fame, announced today that **Mike Gartner** will be appointed to succeed McDonald at the end of his 10-year term limit in June 2025. Effective October 1, 2024, Gartner will assume the role of *Chair-elect* to support transitional matters and serve on the search committee for the recruitment of a new President and CEO with further information to be announced in a few weeks ([see media release dated June 26, 2024](#)).

Inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame in 2001, Gartner played 19 seasons in the NHL accumulating 708 goals, 627 assists and 1,335 points, and in 2017 he was named one of the 100 Greatest NHL Players in the League's 100-year history. He served as President of the NHLPA from 1996 until his playing career retirement in 1998. Later, as Director, Business Relations, he represented the NHLPA on the Hockey Hall of Fame Board of Directors, from 2006 to 2009. In 2009, he was appointed to the Selection Committee and has served as its Chair for the past three years.

“I am thrilled to pass the torch to Mike whose stature as an Honoured Member will bring continuity and strong leadership during this transitional period for the Hockey Hall of Fame,” said McDonald. *“His experience and perspective in the business of hockey and longtime service on the Selection Committee will be a tremendous asset to the Board.”*

“Lanny has been an incredible leader for everyone involved with the Hockey Hall of Fame over the past ten years,” said Gartner. *“I look forward to continuing his excellent work carrying out the Hall's mission of both honouring individuals who have brought special distinction to the game while preserving and telling the story of hockey's rich history.”*

The Hockey Hall of Fame (“HHOF”) was established in 1943 to honour and memorialize individuals who have brought special distinction to the game of hockey and those who made outstanding contributions to the development and advancement of hockey anywhere in the world, and to collect, research, preserve, exhibit and promote objects, images and other historical materials connected with the game at all levels. As a not-for-profit corporation and registered charity, HHOF owns and operates a museum and place of entertainment offering state-of-the-art exhibits, theatrical presentations and educational programming from its premises at Brookfield Place, Toronto, and a multi-purpose archive, resource centre and research facility located at 400 Kipling Avenue, Toronto.

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