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SAN RAFAEL, May 16, 2016—The Marin History Museum, a non-profit organization dedicated to collecting, preserving, and sharing the history of Marin County, has elected two new Directors, Jeff Craemer and Roger Smith. Jeff and Roger bring to the Board of Directors deep Marin roots and great enthusiasm for preserving that history.

Jeff Craemer is a life-long citizen of Marin County. Jeff has committed himself to community service since retiring from the Marin Independent-Journal in 1980. In addition to his critical financial support, Jeff has contributed many of hours of devoted service to the Marin History Museum, as well as an encyclopedic knowledge of much of the history of the County. The contributions of Jeff and his family were recognized when the Marin History Museum's collections and research facility were renamed the Marin History Museum Craemer Family Collections and Research Facility. Among the many other agencies and nonprofits for which Jeff has served are the San Rafael Fire Foundation, Meals-On-Wheels, and Whistlestop. He co-founded the Marin County Human Race and the Kentfield/Greenbrae Historical Society and is a docent at the San Quentin Museum.

Roger Smith's family has lived in San Rafael for four generations. His great grandfather started a business on 4th Street in the late 1800's and the Smiths have been in business in San Rafael ever since. Roger has had a thirty-plus year career in commercial real estate in Marin, most recently with Newmark Cornish & Carey as a Senior Managing Director. He left Newmark in February to concentrate on his own real estate projects and to devote more time to community service. He has long been involved as a member, volunteer, or Board member in a wide variety of community and local government activities, including the League of Women Voters, San Rafael Chamber of Commerce, the Sleepy Hollow Fire Protection District, Mark Day School, Planned Parenthood, Rotary, and, in San Rafael, Downtown Vision, North San Rafael Vision, General Plan 2020, SMART Station Area Plan for North San Rafael, the Citizens Advisory Committee for Economic Development, and the Critical Facilities Committee.

Jeff and Roger join Al Boro, Gary Ragghianti, Ann Batman, and Bill O'Connell on the Marin History Museum Board. This new Board began meeting on April 7, 2016, after a one-month transition from the old Board, which retired at that time. The Board has been working diligently

at completing an inventory of the Museum collections, planning fund-raising to support long-term operations, and, most importantly, on rebuilding community trust in a completely transparent way while redefining the Marin History Museum mission.

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