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Dear Directors,

The 2019 REALTORS® Conference & Expo is just days away and we have vital Association work to accomplish.

As NAR Directors, we are helping to write the next chapter of NAR's story. We have an important responsibility: At the upcoming **Board of Directors Meeting on Monday, November 11**, we will vote on a number of issues that influence our Association's strategic direction. It is essential each of us comes to the meeting ready and equipped to make informed decisions.

PREPARE FOR THE BOARD MEETING

So we can be as efficient as possible, I appreciate your review the following background before the meeting:

- ❖ [Committee reports](#) highlighting the key issues we anticipate may be discussed at the Directors' meeting.
- ❖ [The proposed Amendment to Article XI of the NAR Bylaws.](#)
- ❖ [The Board of Directors Meeting Agenda.](#)

Additionally, below you will find important information and logistics, including key events you will not want to miss. Please take the time to review this information carefully.

BOD CHECK-IN AND LOGISTICS

- ❖ BOD check-in counters will open at 7:30 a.m. on Monday, November 11, in the Marriott Marquis, Yerba Buena Grand Assembly, Lower B2 Level. At check-in, each director will receive a voting smartcard and final meeting documents.
- ❖ Director resignations or changes to a director name on the Board roster will be accepted by NAR up to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 10. *No roster changes will be accepted the morning of the Board meeting.*
- ❖ All directors must be checked in by the time the meeting is called to order promptly at 8:30 a.m. Directors are required to participate until the meeting adjourns.
- ❖ If you need to check out of your hotel room before the meeting, a special luggage storage area will be located near the Directors' Check-in Counters for your convenience.

OTHER SESSIONS AND EVENTS FOR DIRECTORS

- ❖ **Your NAR Your Way**

Mark your calendar to attend the [NAR Your Way Forum](#) on Thursday, November 7, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. at the Marriott Marquis, Golden Gate A, B2 Level. This is your in-person opportunity to join in the conversation about the ideal future governing



process for YOUR National Association. The Governance Game Changer Presidential Advisory Group will consider feedback from this forum in their recommendations. You can also provide input at the [Governance Game Changer PAG](#) website.

❖ **NAR 360°**

I encourage you to attend the [NAR 360°](#) program on Thursday, November 7, at 4:00 p.m. in the Marriott Marquis, Yerba Buena Ballroom. This forum officially kicks off the Conference and provides an excellent overview of the issues shaping our industry.

❖ **Class Action Litigation Update**

Join Katie Johnson, General Counsel and Chief Member Experience Officer; Mantill Williams, Vice President Vice President, Public Relations & Communication Strategy; and NAR's litigation counsel Jack Bierig to hear the latest on NAR's efforts to defend against the class action lawsuits and ensure that REALTORS® and MLSs continue to provide the most efficient and successful home buying and selling experience for consumers.

❖ **Clear Cooperation Proposal**

On Saturday, November 9th, be sure to attend the [MLS Forum](#) from 9 a.m. to 10:25 a.m. in Room 2014, Level 2 of the Moscone West, to discuss the proposed new policy about "off MLS" listings and cooperation among MLS Participants, followed immediately by Committee's consideration of the matter. To learn more visit the [Clear Cooperation Proposal](#) website.

❖ **NAR Eligible Candidate Forum**

Also on Saturday, November 9, NAR will hold an [Eligible Candidates Forum](#) from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. in Room 2007, Level 2 of Moscone West, where candidates for various offices will address the Directors. The eligible candidates are:

- Kenny Parcell for 2021 First Vice President
- Leslie Rouda-Smith for 2021 President-Elect
- Nancy Lane and David McKey for 2021 to 2022 Treasurer.

Thank you for your attentiveness and diligence. This is a substantial amount of information to cover, but your efforts help build a sustainable future for our Association and industry. On behalf of NAR's 2019 Leadership Team, thank you for your service to the REALTOR® community. Thank you for helping NAR **OWN OUR STORY!**

Sincerely,



John Smaby
2019 NAR President