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TOBA NAMES OFFICERS & 14 TRUSTEES TO BOARD

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. -- The Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association announced today the re-election of Bill Casner as chairman of its Board of Trustees. Also joining Casner on the Board of Trustees to serve three-year terms as new members are Reynolds Bell, Jr., H. Greg Goodman, Jeffrey Lewis, Tom Ludt, Richard Mandella, J. Michael O'Farrell, Jr., Dr. J. David Richardson, and Peter Vegso.

Re-elected to three-year terms were current trustees Josephine Abercrombie, John Amerman, Antony Beck, Nadia Sanan Briggs, Dr. John Chandler, and Jack Wolf.

Immediately following its annual members meeting, the TOBA Board of Trustees met to elect officers for the 2,800-member association. Named as officers for 2007-2008 are: Bill Casner, chairman, Dan Metzger, president; Tracy Farmer, vice-president; Reynolds Bell, Jr., secretary; and E. Duncan Taylor, treasurer.

"Once again I am honored to serve a term as chairman of TOBA," said Casner. "We are in the midst of a number of important issues facing owners and breeders, most notably transparency and disclosure in the public auction process and the changing landscape of advanced deposit wagering. The owners and breeders need a strong and influential voice when dealing with these and other issues and I look forward to working with the trustees at TOBA to provide it."

The TOBA Board also approved the appointments of Rollin Baugh and William Heiligbrodt 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. 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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