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## Hope for Haiti Appoints New Member to its Board of Directors

**Naples, Florida, February 9, 2018** – Hope for Haiti announced today that its Board of Directors has unanimously elected Brett McNaught as a new member of the Board, effective February 1, 2018.

Brett is currently the CEO of Educate Tomorrow, a non-profit organization based Miami, Florida dedicated to creating independence for disadvantaged and foster youth through education, mentoring and the development of life skills. Since joining Educate Tomorrow in May 2012, Brett has been charged with leading the strategic direction and vision for the organization. Before Educate Tomorrow, Brett was the Vice President of International Programs at buildOn where he led their international programs from 2005–2012 and oversaw the construction of over 1,000 classrooms for more than 40,000 children in rural Haiti, Nicaragua, Senegal, Mali, Malawi, Niger, Nepal and India.

Brett has an M.S.Ed in Community and Social Change from the University of Miami. He is co-chair of the Education and Employment committee for the Miami-Dade County Homeless Youth Collective Impact. Brett is married to Virginia Emmons McNaught, co-founder of Educate Tomorrow. They live with their daughter Emma and their son Miles in El Portal, Florida. In 2015, Brett and Virginia were honored with the Florida International University PATH award for Well-Being in recognition of their work.

“Brett’s outstanding experience in helping disadvantaged communities and children will add a valuable perspective to our Board of Directors,” said Skyler Badenoch, CEO of Hope for Haiti. “We are so grateful to Brett for his passion and dedication to improving the quality

of life of the Haitian people, particularly children. We appreciate his commitment to serve as a director, and we look forward to benefitting from his judgement and counsel.”

The Hope for Haiti Board of Directors is comprised of individuals from medical, business, academic, legal and volunteer fields in both Haiti and the USA. It is the Board’s responsibility to provide counsel and guidance on Hope for Haiti’s programs, operations and strategic direction.

### **About Hope for Haiti:**

Hope for Haiti is a Naples, Florida, based 501(c)(3) charitable organization with the mission to improve the quality of life for the Haitian people, particularly children. Building upon 29 years of experience, Hope for Haiti works in five core program areas (Education, Healthcare, Water, Infrastructure and Economy) to connect, heal and empower communities in the Greater South of Haiti. Hope for Haiti is a 4-star rated charity by Charity Navigator and is a participant at the Platinum Level through the GuideStar Exchange, two leading independent evaluators recognizing the organization’s transparency and careful stewardship of donor resources.