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Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County's Women Build 2023 Funded by Women, Built by Women, Empowering Women

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FL (February 10, 2023) Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County's WOMEN BUILD 2023 will take place on March 2 and 3 in partnership with two families in Delray Beach. Co-Chaired by Clara Bennett and Sophia Eccleston, with Honorary Chair Kelly Smallridge, the affiliate's Women Build event provides the opportunity for women to take proactive steps in serving their communities.

The mission of WOMEN BUILD is to engage women in the effort to provide safe and decent homes for families in need of affordable housing. By recruiting, educating, and inspiring women, we can transform lives in our communities. Join Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County to build a strong foundation and a brighter future for women and their families in our community.

"As we continue to see a need for quality and affordable housing in our area, it is important to support and be involved in organizations like Habitat that provide families the resources and opportunity to afford and achieve home ownership," said Smallridge. "To be able to participate in this event once again that builds two homes for local families is truly an honor."

Women from all walks of life in the community join the Women Build event, and participation is easy! No construction experience is required! Each builder must donate or fundraise a minimum of \$1,250. To learn more about how to put together a team, visit <u>HabitatGreaterPBC.org</u> or email Kristen Bardin, Director of Development, <u>kristen.bardin@habitatgreaterpbc.org</u>

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County is grateful to its Women Build 2023 sponsors; Home Sponsor: Delray Beach CRA; Foundation Builder: Paul LaBrecque, The Home Depot, The Royal Poinciana Plaza, and Waterstone Resort & Marina; Home Builder: Boca Raton Airport Authority, Florida Peninsula, Florida Power and Light, Jacob Companies | Jacob Construction, Paradise Bank and Vertical Bridge; Hard Hat Sponsor: JMorton and RCC Associates; Community Builder: Akel Homes; Hope Builder: Caring People Home Healthcare, Charlotte Leonard, Councilwoman City of Westlake, Citizensbank, Fuoco | TFG, and Humana; Media Sponsor: Florida Weekly, Hubbard Radio, Modern Luxury Palm Beach, Palm Beach Daily News, and The Palm Beach Post; Partners: Baptist Health, Moraca Builders, Nothing Bundt Cake, Out East, St. James Tea, Synovous Bank, The Seed, Toast, and Winn-Dixie.

The sold-out Women Build 2023 Kick-Off Party, generously sponsored by Waterstone Resort & Marina, was held on February 7, at Waterstone Resort & Marina in Boca Raton and garnered several new sponsorships and women builders after hearing from Honorary Chair, Kelly Smallridge, and Co-Chairs, Clara Bennett and Sophia Eccleston, and the two partner families.

For those interested in learning more and supporting this year's Women Build, the 4th Annual Night of Giving by Paul Labrecque is scheduled for February 25 at the Royal Poinciana in Palm Beach. Co-chairs Collin 'Santini' Adams, Elizabeth Humphreys and Taylor Materio invite guests to enjoy a cocktail reception and silent luxury auction during this philanthropic evening.

Reservations are required to attend. Please visit <u>www.bit.ly/NightofGiving2023</u> to RSVP. Donations from the 4th Annual Night of Giving will benefit Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County's Women Build 2023.

About Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County:

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Palm Beach County is a 501(c)(3) organization and an affiliate of a global nonprofit, Habitat for Humanity International serving Palm Beach County. Families and individuals in need of safe, decent, and affordable housing partner with Habitat for Humanity to build or improve a place they can call home. Habitat homeowners help build their own homes alongside volunteers and pay an affordable mortgage. Through financial support, volunteering, or adding a voice to support affordable housing, everyone can help families achieve the strength, stability , and self-reliance they need to build better lives for themselves. Through shelter, we empower. To learn more, visit habitatgreaterpbc.org

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Photos:

Clara Bennett- Executive Director, Boca Raton Airport Authority (Women Build 2023 Co-Chair)

Sophia Eccleston-Director Origination, C&I, Clean Energy Solutions, NextEra Energy Resources (Women Build 2023 Co-Chair)

Kelly Smallridge, President and CEO of the Business Development Board of Palm Beach County (Women Build 2023 Honorary Chair)

Night of Giving committee