

HOCKEY HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2020 TO STAND ALONE FOR INDUCTION IN NOVEMBER 2021

TORONTO (October 30, 2020) – Lanny McDonald, Chairman of the Hockey Hall of Fame, announced today that there will be no Honoured Membership elections in 2021 while confirming that the inductees elected in 2020 will be honoured as a stand-alone class during the Hall's 2021 *Induction Weekend/Celebration* (scheduled for November 12-15, 2021). The decision was made at a Board of Directors meeting held yesterday via teleconference.

At meetings held virtually on June 23/24, 2020, the Hockey Hall of Fame Selection Committee elected six new Honoured Members, namely **Marian Hossa**, **Jarome Iginla**, **Kevin Lowe**, **Kim St-Pierre** and **Doug Wilson** in the Player Category, and **Ken Holland** in the Builder Category. In a release dated August 10, 2020, the 2020 *Induction Weekend/Celebration* was officially postponed due to continuing consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The magic of the induction weekend from the perspective of the new inductees is participating in several days of close interaction with family, friends, former teammates, fellow legends and fans," said McDonald. "On that premise, the Board felt that this was the right decision to bestow upon the *Class of 2020* the recognition and lifetime experience they so richly deserve in all ways consistent with past induction classes."

In other Board matters, **David Branch**, **Brian Burke**, **Marc de Foy**, **Mike Gartner**, **Anders Hedberg** and **Pierre McGuire** were re-appointed to the Selection Committee each for a further three-year term expiring December 31, 2024.

About the Hockey Hall of Fame

The Hockey Hall of Fame ("HHOF") was established in 1943 to honour and memorialize individuals who have brought special distinction to the game of hockey and those who made outstanding contributions to the development and advancement of hockey anywhere in the world, and to collect, research, preserve, exhibit and promote objects, images and other historical materials connected with the game at all levels. As a not-for-profit corporation and registered charity, HHOF owns and operates a museum and place of entertainment offering state-of-the-art exhibits, theatrical presentations and educational programming from its premises at Brookfield Place, Toronto, Canada.

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