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Tyrone Taborn joins MPT Foundation Board of Directors

OWINGS MILLS, MD – The MPT Foundation, Inc. has announced the appointment of Tyrone Taborn to its volunteer board of directors.

The MPT Foundation, Inc. is the 501(c)(3) fundraising affiliate of <u>Maryland Public Television</u> (MPT). Incorporated in 1981 as the Maryland Public Broadcasting Foundation, Inc., the foundation today comprises approximately two dozen members drawn from Maryland business, civic, and cultural communities to assist MPT in securing private contributions and foundation grants.

Taborn is also a member of MPT's Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Advisory Council. This team of civic leaders and businesspersons guides the implementation of MPT's strategy to foster greater organizational and civic concord through both internal and external communications and engagement. Council members also advise leadership on how to enhance the organization's structures, systems, and operational goals supporting diversity and inclusion at MPT and in the wider community.

Taborn is publisher, chairman, and CEO of the talent development company Career Communications Group (CCG). He is founder of the Foundation for Educational Development, Inc., which aims to raise awareness of technology literacy in minority communities through initiatives such as Black Family Technology Awareness Week, La Familia Technology Awareness Week, and The Native American Family Technology Journey.

His other current board affiliations include the Women Legislators of Maryland Foundation, Inc., Baltimore Partners for Enhanced Learning, Maryland Black Caucus Foundation, Inc., Advancing Minorities' Interest in Engineering (AMIE), and the Granville Academy. He is also a member of The National Association of Hispanic Journalists.

Taborn earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Johns Hopkins University. He also holds honorary degrees from Morgan State University and the University of Maryland Eastern Shore.

About MPT

Launched in 1969 and headquartered in Owings Mills, MD, Maryland Public Television is a nonprofit, state-licensed public television network and member of the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS). MPT's six transmitters cover Maryland plus portions of contiguous states and the District of Columbia. Frequent winner of regional Emmy® awards, MPT creates local, regional, and national television shows. Beyond broadcast, MPT's commitment to professional educators, parents, caregivers, and learners of all ages is delivered through year-round instructional events and the super-website *Thinkport*, which garners in excess of five million page views annually. MPT's community engagement connects viewers with local resources on significant health, education, and public interest topics through year-round outreach events, viewer forums, program screenings, and phone bank call-in opportunities. For more information visit *mpt.org*.