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ROBERT E. WEBER HIRED AS DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES

BRAINTREE, MA, August 24, 2020 – The Schochet Companies today announced that Robert E. Weber has joined the firm as director of facilities, replacing Tom Furtado, who recently retired as vice president of facilities after more than 25 years with the company.

Weber was most recently director of engineering, plant operations & maintenance at Falmouth Hospital. Immediately prior to that, he was facility manager, plant operations & maintenance at Cape Cod Hospital. In both positions, he managed and oversaw all aspects of Cape Cod Healthcare's buildings, grounds, maintenance, construction, aesthetics, and budgeting for a 16-building portfolio, which included resident rehab centers and nursing facilities, ensuring that the facility remained in compliance with all local, state, and federal healthcare regulations.

Weber graduated from Massachusetts Maritime Academy with a degree in Marine Engineering in 2008, following which he worked in the offshore drilling industry for eight years, where he was responsible for commissioning, operation, and maintenance of marine and oil drilling systems, gaining experience with complex mechanical systems. Subsequently, he obtained his United States Coast Guard license as Chief Engineer and embarked upon a career on-shore, including serving as an engineering consultant for CO Energy and Engineering, where he provided a suite of commissioning services for healthcare, commercial, residential, industrial and institutional industries including planning and commissioning services for emergency power systems; complying with NFPA 110 and joint commissioning standards for the healthcare industry; and offering master planning services to determine short-, mid- and long-term opportunities to reduce energy, control costs, and improve operational efficiency.

As director of facilities, Weber will ensure maintenance of the physical condition of Schochet's entire portfolio of commercial and residential properties, including grounds and landscape; indirectly supervise and train the maintenance superintendents and ensure adherence to policies and procedures regarding prioritization of work orders and service requests, management and condition of supplies and tools, and execution of appropriate preventative maintenance tasks; and act as Schochet's safety officer, conducting safety classes, inspections, and implementing safety programs. In conjunction with the acquisitions and development project management staff, he will also be responsible for planning and implementation of all capital development projects, particularly new construction, substantial rehabilitation, moderate rehabilitation, and critical repairs.

The Schochet Companies President Richard Henken, said, “We are proud to have a professional of Rob Weber’s caliber join our team and excited about the opportunity to maintain and expand our commitment to providing first-rate housing and services to our residents. We were impressed with Rob’s knowledge of the residential and commercial real estate sectors and look forward to the fresh perspective he will bring to building maintenance, construction project management and quality control. His input will also be invaluable as we continue to undertake new projects and renovate our existing properties as part of our goal to preserve and protect affordable housing in the communities we serve.”

Weber said, “Throughout my professional career, I have developed a strong passion for residential and commercial property and actively sought opportunities within real estate. In addition to engineering and facilities expertise, my background has offered me the ability to work with and manage individuals with diverse cultures and backgrounds and to learn how to effectively communicate and coordinate with professionals and staff at all levels, as well as general contractors, architects and subcontractors, to ensure all projects meet organizational standards and growth. I am enthused at the opportunity to join the Schochet Companies and to apply my skills and experience within a full-service company that owns and/or manages more than 5,000 apartments and 100,000 square feet of commercial space throughout New England.”

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