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**Kenneth A. Manning, Esq. Retires from PBA Board of Directors; Mark J.F. Schroeder Appointed to Board**

BUFFALO, NY / FORT ERIE, ON – The Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority (PBA) today announced the retirement of Kenneth A. Manning, Esq. from its Board of Directors and the appointment of Mark J.F. Schroeder as its newest Board member.

Mr. Manning was first appointed to the Board in June 2016 by then-Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and has provided a decade of distinguished leadership and dedicated service to the Authority. Throughout his tenure, he served as both Chair and Vice Chair of the Board, holding each position five times as part of the Authority's longstanding governance structure.

During Mr. Manning's service, the Authority successfully executed the most significant capital investment program in its history. Key accomplishments included the comprehensive rehabilitation of the Peace Bridge, the modernization and optimization of facilities and supporting infrastructure, the successful navigation of the unprecedented challenges associated with the COVID-19 border closure, the implementation of cashless self-service tolling, and the adoption of important fiscal governance initiatives. His leadership and commitment to the Authority's mission helped strengthen the Peace Bridge's position as a critical international transportation and trade gateway.

The Authority also announced the appointment of Mark J.F. Schroeder to the Board of Directors. Appointed by Governor Kathy Hochul and confirmed by the New York State Senate on June 4, 2026, Mr. Schroeder brings more than four decades of distinguished leadership experience in both the public and private sectors.

Most recently, Mr. Schroeder served as Commissioner of the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, where he oversaw one of New York's largest customer-service agencies and led significant modernization initiatives that enhanced operational efficiency, technological innovation, and public service delivery. His extensive record of public service also includes serving as Buffalo City Comptroller, a member of the New York State Assembly, and an Erie County Legislator.

A lifelong Western New Yorker, Mr. Schroeder is widely respected for his commitment to public service, fiscal stewardship, operational excellence, and economic development. His broad leadership experience and understanding of transportation, government operations,

and regional priorities will be valuable assets to the Authority as it continues to advance its strategic objectives.

*"The Authority extends its sincere gratitude to Ken Manning for his decade of exemplary service and leadership,"* said current Vice Chair and immediate Past Chair Tim Clutterbuck. *"His contributions have helped shape a period of unprecedented progress and investment for the Peace Bridge. At the same time, we are pleased to welcome Mark Schroeder to the Board and look forward to benefiting from his extensive experience and commitment to serving the people of Western New York and Southern Ontario."*

#### About the Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority

The Buffalo and Fort Erie Public Bridge Authority owns and operates the Peace Bridge, one of North America's most important international crossings, facilitating the safe and efficient movement of people and goods between Canada and the United States while supporting regional economic growth and cross-border commerce. The Authority is governed by a 10-member board with an equal number of representatives from Canada and the United States. As an international compact and in accordance with its enabling legislation, the Chair alternates annually between Canada and the United States.