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## TRANSCEND SECURITY STRENGTHENS MANAGEMENT TEAM WITH ADDITION OF INDUSTRY EXPERT DARWYN HARP AS EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

## Commercial Real Estate veteran to help drive the next stage of company development

**PHOENIX, Arizona** – Transcend Security, one of the nation's largest and fastest-growing private security companies, is pleased to announce that industry veteran Darwyn Harp has joined the firm as its Executive Vice President of Operations and Principal. Harp will be responsible for all aspects of operational and management strategies of Transcend Security's Class A High-Rise and Commercial Division. He will report directly to Chris Vetter, Co-Founder and CEO Transcend Security.

"I am pleased to welcome Darwyn, who brings extensive leadership experience in the high-rise and commercial property vertical market to Transcend Security," Vetter said. "Darwyn's skill set, strong financial expertise and impressive accomplishments will further strengthen our management team as we continue to execute against our strategic growth initiatives and long-term vision for the business."

Prior to joining Transcend Security, Harp enjoyed a 23-year career with Hines, a worldwide leader in global real estate investment, development and management. He most recently served as General Property Manager with responsibility for the American Airlines relationship. Prior to Hines, Harp served as an Investment Analyst for private placement debt and equity firm, Rice Capital, as well as Assistant Vice President for NationsBank.

Harp is well-known in the Valley's commercial real estate community. He has served twice as President of BOMA Greater Phoenix. He has also served on the BOMA Board of Directors. Harp is also active in the community, having served on several non-profit boards over his 20 years in Metro Phoenix. Some include the Downtown Tempe Authority, LifeStream Complete Senior Living Board of Directors and Scottsdale Christian Academy Board of Directors.

"I echo Chris' praise that Darwyn's expertise and deep experience will be a valuable asset going forward," said Shawn Crane, COO and Co-Founder of Transcend Security. "Darwyn will be a strong leader in our operation, as he has a terrific track record of building and leading high performing teams."

"Chris and I will be working closely with Darwyn, as we continue to execute our operational growth plans, and enhance the client experience, while continuing to drive sustained and profitable growth," Crane added.

A native of Lubbock, Texas, Harp graduate from Texas A&M University with a BBA in finance. An active member of the North Phoenix Baptist Church, Harp is married and has three children. Away from the office he enjoys golf, biking, sporting clay shooting and motorcycle touring.

"I am thrilled to join the Transcend Security management and ownership team at such an exciting time for the business," Harp said. "I look forward to working together with Chris, Shawn and the talented Transcend Security management team and family of security officers to create long-term success and new opportunities. The future is bright."

## **About Transcend Security Solutions**

Founded in 2014, Transcend Security Solutions is a premier provider of highly trained security personnel to multiple vertical markets. Transcend Security delivers superior physical security services that protect people, homes, and businesses. The Transcend Security Mission Statement guides them in everything they do: "To provide a level of service that transcends good work and discovers the tremendous experience of doing great work." For more information, please visit Transcend