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### **JACKSON HOLE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM HONORS FOUNDER** *Craig Morris honored as Emeritus Board Member*

**Jackson, WY** – Jackson Hole Children's Museum (JHCM) today officially announced that Museum Co-Founder and former Board of Directors Member Craig Morris has been honored as an Emeritus Board Member after more than ten years of service to the Museum and community of Jackson.

"We are thrilled to honor Craig and his 10+ years of service to the Jackson Hole Children's Museum with his appointment as an Emeritus Board Member." said Bill Van Gelder, JHCM Board President. "He has been a source of inspiration and support to the Museum since its inception in 2011 and we're honored to have his continued presence and guidance as an Emeritus Board Member."

Craig began the museum with his wife KJ and 100 other local families in November of 2011. "Our goal was to provide a safe and creative space for children to explore the world through play and creation." said Craig. Craig has spent countless hours greeting moms, dads, and their children at the Museum, and he continues to volunteer at the Museum's front desk two mornings a week. His daughter grew up with JHCM as her second home. KJ continues to serve on the JHCM Board.

Craig expressed his enthusiasm for his new role. "I am delighted to be an Emeritus Board Member. I am extremely proud of the Jackson Hole Children's Museum and the path that it has taken as an integral part of the community and the school system. I will continue to serve the Museum as a volunteer, advocate, handyman, and donor."

"The Jackson Hole Children's Museum is fortunate to have a strong framework of families that believe deeply in the vision of the organization: To envision a community that embraces children as curious, collaborative, and innovative individuals." said Executive Director Ethan Lobdell. "Craig is a prime example of this dedication not only to the organization, but to the children and families that we serve."

"On behalf of the Board of Directors and JHCM family, I would like to thank Craig for his significant contributions to this organization's growth and success. We are immensely grateful for this beautiful project he and KJ started nearly 10 years ago," said Bill Van Gelder.

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## **About Jackson Hole Children's Museum**

*Play. Create. Explore. Discover.* At the Jackson Hole Children's Museum, we encourage families to examine the world together through interactive, hands-on exhibits and educational programs in the arts, sciences, literature, and history. Our goal is to help children and grown-ups of all ages build a love of learning through collaborative play and creative problem-solving in a nurturing environment.