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Emerge Tampa Bay Welcomes New Leadership, Honors Young Professionals

Tampa, FL – November 3, 2016 – Over 250 local professionals attended EmERGE Tampa Bay's 5th Annual Emerging with Influence event, presented by ChappellRoberts, Depository Trust and Clearing Corp, Leadership Tampa Alumni, and Wells Fargo at TPepin's Hospitality Centre. The event recognized young professionals in the Tampa Bay community and announced the organization's 2017 leadership team.

Leading EmERGE Tampa Bay for 2017 will be:

Program Chair:

Jeff Chernoff, IAT, Inc.

Program Vice Chair:

Andrew Smith, JP Morgan Private Bank

Professional Development Committee:

Chair: Nico Hohman, NextHome Discovery

Vice Chair: Dawn Morgan, Kerkering, Barberio & Co.

Membership Committee:

Chair: Raechel Canipe, DEX Imaging

Vice Chair: Gaines Hayes, Depository Trust and Clearing Corp

Public Policy Committee:

Chair: David Loos, Beaux-Arts Group

Vice Chair: Eric Ortiz, McKay Advertising + Activation

Community Outreach Committee:

Chair: Tammy Charles, Metropolitan Ministries

Vice Chair: Jill McSpadden, Rivero, Gordimer & Co., PA

Alexandra Dillard, Corporate Merchandise Manager for Dillard's, was the keynote speaker and shared her experiences with making her own mark on the family business.

Emerge Tampa Bay also presented the *Deanne Dewey Roberts Emerging Leader Award* to Erin Cassidy of Majesty Title Services, for her service and dedication to the Tampa Bay community and the young professional organization. In addition to the award, a \$500 donation will be made to two charities of Cassidy's choice, Joshua House and Metro Tampa Bay YMCA, courtesy of ChappellRoberts.

The award's namesake Deanne Roberts was the co-founder of EmERGE Tampa Bay and founder of Tampa ad agency ChappellRoberts, which is the Founding Sponsor of Emerging with Influence.

About EmERGE Tampa Bay

Emerge Tampa Bay is the premier young professionals organization in Tampa. A program of the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce, it is designed for emerging leaders, ages 21-35. In an effort to enhance the greater Tampa area, EmERGE strives to support, cultivate and attract young professionals by providing access to business resources, educational opportunities and community partnerships. Visit <http://www.emergetampa.org> for more information or contact the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Program Manager, Kat Benjamin at kbenjamin@tampachamber.com or (813) 276-9448.

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