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Pure Water for the World Welcomes Nicholas Mancus as New Executive Director

Rutland, VT - May 1, 2019. *Pure Water for the World, Inc.* (PWW) is excited to announce the selection of Nicholas Mancus as its new Executive Director, following an extensive search and interview process led by a team of Board Members and close advisors. Nicholas will succeed Carolyn Crowley Meub, who is retiring this year having served as the organization's Executive Director for 17 of its 20 years of existence as a nonprofit.

Under Carolyn's dedicated leadership, PWW has grown into a highly respected, impactful international organization that has reached hundreds of communities and hundreds of thousands of people in Haiti and Central America with life-changing safe water and sanitation solutions.

"I've known *Pure Water for the World* for years," Nicholas said. "I have loved watching this organization evolve and grow and have deeply admired Carolyn's and the PWW team's work." Nicholas is particularly impressed by PWW's emphasis on educational training and its monitoring programs that extend for years after the programs have been implemented; something he feels strongly differentiates PWW from many other WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene) organizations.

"It is an honor to assume the reins of Executive Director," Nicholas said. "I am looking forward to building on the existing momentum, working with the team and the Board to evaluate opportunities that will help the organization scale-up activities, increase our impact, and benefit more people."

Originally from California, Nicholas joins PWW having spent nearly 30 years implementing WASH projects in sub-Saharan Africa. Most recently, Nicholas has served as Country Director in Cote d'Ivoire with Helen Keller International. He currently chairs the Operations Committee of WASRAG, the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group that brings together thousands of members of Rotary Clubs around the world interested in

improving water and sanitation conditions.

Nicholas has a strong background designing, implementing and managing successful programs. He has worked extensively with communities in Africa to help build local capacity and has aided many organizations to achieve efficacy and reach their impact goals. He will leverage this skillset and experience in his new role that he will step into on May 1.

“It is with great excitement that we welcome the arrival of Nicholas Mancus as the next Executive Director of Pure Water for the World,” said Bob Mohr, PWW Board President. “With the organization well-poised to strategically expand our impact, Nicholas has both the expertise and the passion to lead PWW into the future.”

Carolyn also feels confident about her successor, stating, “I am absolutely thrilled about Nicholas taking over the helm. I feel that I was able to accomplish a great deal, using my skills, energy and passion, and I’m excited that he will take Pure Water for the World to even greater heights. I look forward to watching it thrive!”

PWW began in 1994 when a dentist from Brattleboro, Vermont traveled to El Salvador to provide medical services. Moved by the poor living conditions, he vowed to make a difference. After rallying colleagues in his Rotary Club, he returned with a mission to bring potable water to the villagers. The success of this movement outgrew the Rotary Club’s capacity, and, in 1999, Pure Water for the World, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization, was born.

Today, PWW is based in Rutland, Vermont with offices in Tegucigalpa and Trojes, Honduras and Port-au-Prince, Haiti. The nonprofit organization celebrates its 20th birthday this year.

Learn more at www.purewaterfortheworld.org.

About Pure Water for the World:

Pure Water for the World, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a mission to improve lives by empowering people with access to life's most basic necessities...safe water and sanitation.

Pure Water for the World has partnered with over 200 communities, reaching more than 750,000 people in Haiti and Central America with life-changing, sustainable safe water, hygiene and sanitation solutions.

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