



**Joint Statement from the Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau (Visit Raleigh) and
the Greater Raleigh Sports Alliance (GRSA)**

"This is tremendous news for Raleigh and our entire region. We'd like to extend a warm welcome to Tom Dundon and thank him and the NHL for their clear commitment to keep the Carolina Hurricanes here in Raleigh. Further we want to express our gratitude to Peter Karmanos Jr. for his vision 20 years ago to bring hockey to the Triangle and for his unwavering loyalty to our area ever since."

"Over the years, the Carolina Hurricanes have become an integral part of the sports landscape here in Wake County and continue to be a marketing and visitation engine for the community. We're excited for the future of the Hurricanes in Raleigh and for Caniacs all across North Carolina."

*-Dennis Edwards, President and CEO
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