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HBAM GOVERNMENT RELATIONS TEAM WELCOMES **ARIANA DAWES**

Lansing, MI - Today the Home Builders Association of Michigan (HBAM) announced it has expanded its government relations team with the hiring of Ariana Dawes as a new legislative aide. With a background in legislative administration and campaign outreach, Dawes began her career at the Georgia General Assembly, where she served as a bill clerk and later as the Assistant Enrolling Clerk in the Office of the Secretary of the Senate. She has also worked as campaign finance assistant for Representative Lucy McBath and as a campaign organizer for Senator Jon Ossoff. Vermont-born and Georgia-raised, Dawes graduated from Kennesaw State University with a degree in Political Science and Public Relations in 2022.

“We’re thrilled to have Ariana join our team,” said HBAM CEO Bob Filka. “While there may be some new SEC versus Big Ten banter in the office during football season, Ariana is a quick study and cares deeply about the housing issues our state is grappling with.”

In her new role, Dawes will support and work directly with HBAM EVP of Government Relations, Dawn Crandall. “Michigan policymakers will be working on a number of housing initiatives in the months ahead and Ariana will be a tremendous resource and strengthen our voice at the Capitol,” said Crandall.

The Home Builders Association of Michigan, a professional trade association comprised of 19 local homebuilder associations around the state and their 5,000 builder, subcontractor and supplier members. As the state’s largest association representing construction-related sectors, the HBA of Michigan works to positively promote the building industry and impact legislative, regulatory and legal issues affecting housing attainability.

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