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MERITAGE HOMES APPOINTS PHIL BODEM TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DIVISION PRESIDENT

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz., April 06, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Meritage Homes Corporation, a leading U.S. homebuilder, announced the appointment of Phil Bodem to Southern California Division President. With this appointment, Meritage is deepening its commitment to the Southern California region and intends to pursue growth strategies to increase its number of new communities in the division.

A veteran in the homebuilding industry, Mr. Bodem joins Meritage Homes with more than 26 years of experience in homebuilding, including 15 years as a division president. In his previous roles with Taylor Morrison, Morrison Homes and Stellar Homes, he led his teams through the economic downturn in 2008 and prepared the division for growth and recovery in subsequent years.

Among his responsibilities, Mr. Bodem will oversee Meritage's Southern California growth strategy and day-to-day operations, including land acquisition and development, home construction, customer service, sales and marketing.

"We are pleased to welcome Phil to Meritage Homes," said Meritage Homes Chief Operating Officer Phillippe Lord. "With his proven experience in the Southern California market and genuine passion for our business, I am confident that Phil will help accelerate our growth across Southern California."

A graduate of Santa Clara University with a B.S. in political science, Mr. Bodem has also been an active participant in his community, serving on a variety of industry association boards. He currently serves as acting president of the Building Industry Association of Orange County.

About Meritage Homes

Meritage Homes is the eighth-largest public homebuilder in the United States, based on homes closed in 2016. Meritage Homes builds and sells single-family homes for first-time, move-up, luxury and active adult buyers across the Western, Southern and Southeastern United States. Meritage Homes builds in markets including Sacramento, San Francisco Bay area, southern coastal and Inland Empire markets in California; Houston, Dallas-Ft. Worth, Austin and San Antonio, Texas; Phoenix/Scottsdale, Green Valley and Tucson, Arizona; Denver and Fort Collins, Colorado; Orlando, Tampa and south Florida; Raleigh and Charlotte, North Carolina; Greenville-Spartanburg and York County, South Carolina; Nashville, Tennessee; and Atlanta, Georgia.

Meritage Homes has designed and built over 100,000 homes in its 31-year history, and has a reputation for its distinctive style, quality construction, and positive customer experience. Meritage Homes is the industry leader in energy-efficient homebuilding and has received the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year for Sustained Excellence Award every year since 2013 for innovation and industry leadership in energy efficient homebuilding.

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