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**TENNESSEE MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES
“FUTURE LEADERS ACADEMY” CLASS of 2019-2020**

Memphis, Tenn. (8/15/19) – The Tennessee Mortgage Bankers Association ([TNMBA](#)) has selected the participants for the 2nd annual class of the “Future Leaders Academy,” according to an announcement by Jeff Tucker, CMB, 2019-2020 President of TNMBA.

“It is a real pleasure to announce the participants for the Future Leaders Academy for this year.” Tucker said. “We congratulate all of those selected to participate and look forward to what their leadership will do to further develop and strengthen TNMBA. They will actually graduate next year, the year TNMBA celebrates our 60th anniversary.”

According to Tucker, the Future Leaders Academy will hold five separate sessions in a variety of locations. Topics included will range from the history of TNMBA and leadership development to ethics, secondary markets, servicing, and even a “Day on the Hill” legislative experience at the Tennessee State Capitol.

Those selected for this year’s class include:

- Austin Burress, Regions Bank/Memphis
- Susan Berglund, Radian/Nashville
- Susan Brown, Mortgage Investors Group/Knoxville
- Danielle Burwell, Legends Bank/Clarksville
- Diana Chan, A Mortgage Boutique/Murfreesboro
- Nicole Flowers, New American Funding/Chattanooga
- Alexis Gravlee, FirstBank/Franklin

“TNMBA is naturally very pleased to welcome this year’s group and excited about what this experience will mean to these future leaders. We want to express our appreciation to Retta Gardner and Dana Abernathy as the organizers of the Future Leaders Academy this year. Retta is with A Mortgage Boutique and is organizing content for the sessions. Dana is with National Mortgage Insurance and is the lead sponsor for TNMBA’s Future Leaders Academy. Retta’s and Dana’s ongoing commitment to the development of the Future Leaders Academy and to

TNMBA is exemplary. Without their support, and the sponsorship by National Mortgage Insurance, it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to make all of this happen,” said Tucker.

About Tennessee Mortgage Bankers Association

TNMBA, founded in 1960, was organized to promote ethical, efficient, and professional business practices in mortgage financing, benefiting businesses and individuals seeking mortgage loans. It is an affiliate of the national Mortgage Bankers Association and includes five active chapters in Tennessee, located in Memphis, Nashville, Chattanooga, Knoxville and Tri-Cities.

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