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Finance Fund Names Andy Hardy Director of Public Affairs

Columbus, OH – Finance Fund today announced the appointment of Andy Hardy as Director of Public Affairs for the statewide nonprofit financial intermediary. In this role, Hardy will create and drive Finance Fund’s public policy agenda at the state and federal levels, monitor legislation and public policy issues and alert Finance Fund to opportunities to make use of federal and/or state funds and policies.

Hardy will also develop and manage strategies to inform lawmakers about potentially impactful legislative matters and areas of interest to Finance Fund and the low-income rural and urban communities it serves.

Prior to joining Finance Fund, Hardy was the Senior Legislative Aide and Policy Advisor for U.S. Congressman Patrick J. Tiberi in the areas of trade, transportation, energy, environment, appropriations and budget.

“After seven years of leadership on key policy issues in DC, Andy brings great insight and connections to support our work on key issues impacting distressed communities throughout Ohio,” said Finance Fund President and CEO James R. Klein. “He will encourage expansion of public and private funding vehicles that attract private sector investment in community-building assets.”

Hardy’s career includes work as a Legislative Correspondent, Assistant and Senior Legislative Aide. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Ohio Dominican University.

About Finance Fund (FinanceFund.org)

Finance Fund is a statewide nonprofit financial intermediary that connects community redevelopment projects in underserved markets with public and private sources of capital. Since 1987, Finance Fund and its affiliates have invested more than \$258.8 million in housing, economic development, and community facility projects leveraging over \$1 billion. This investment was accomplished through 2,847 awards to community-based organizations throughout the state. Partnerships have enabled low-income people access to 15,514 units of affordable housing, 18,417 direct jobs, and 3,036 early care and education spaces (classrooms) for 69,497 children benefiting the lives of over 127,000 Ohioans.

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