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GLOBAL SCENIC SERVICES ANNOUNCES MANAGEMENT RESTRUCTURING

BRIDGEPORT, CT (November 10, 2016): Global Scenic Services, Inc. (GSSI), a leading provider of scenery design, automation and manufacturing services for theatrical productions, fashion shows, and special events, announced a new management structure effective immediately. James (Jim) Malski, has been appointed the Acting President of GSSI following the passing of the CEO and owner Warren Katz. Mr. Malski will oversee the day-to-day operations and future growth of the company.

“Global Scenic Services, executives and staff wish to express our sincere appreciation to our friends, clients, suppliers and entertainment industry leaders for the tremendous outpouring of support we have received during this difficult time. Warren’s passion and commitment to his employees and clients will be our driving inspiration as we continue to build on the fervor for excellence Warren started 10 years ago,” stated Mr. Malski.

He continued, “Warren developed the succession plan for GSSI which has been implemented. I am proud to be able to assist this great GSSI team of experienced professionals.” Malski, an entrepreneur and business development expert, has operated the business advisory firm, Next Level Strategies, Inc., since 2003. Jim is a CPA with over thirty years of business experience in a variety of service industries including specialty retail, travel, IT consulting and professional services. Mr. Malski has bought, built, grown and sold 20 small and medium sized businesses. When he was 26, Jim co-founded a commercial passenger airline that he grew into the fourth largest national airline in the United States generating over \$200 million in annual sales.

In addition to Malski’s appointment, Leslie Lusniak has been promoted to Treasurer and Finance Director of GSSI. Matt Maraffi will remain as Director of Operations and Doug Meeson will continue as Technical Design Director. All Directors will report to Mr. Malski. John Cashman, Josh Scherr and Seth Gist will be responsible for all phases of project management for the company.

Mr. Maraffi commented that, “Since 2012, Jim has been an integral part of the GSSI management team through his role as a Management and Business Development Advisor. He is no stranger to our philosophy of providing quality services, establishing strong personal relationships and being ahead of the curve on innovation. We look forward to continuing to deliver the very best creative services to our clients with Jim at the helm.”

Over the past 10 years, GSSI has grown from eight to 48 employees and operates from a new 45,000 square-foot production facility in Fairfield County, Connecticut, where exceptional fabrication, automation, and production services are provided for events and venues around the world. The GSSI portfolio includes top-tier Broadway productions *How to Succeed in*

Business Without Really Trying and *Hand to God*, fashion events including **Victoria's Secret** Fashion Show and television shows including NBC's *Peter Pan Live*.

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