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## Marvin G. Herrod Jr., PGA

### Candidate for Secretary Profile:

To my fellow golf professionals who do not know me personally, I would like to offer insight as to who I am, what I am passionate about, and why I am running to be the next Secretary of our Gateway PGA Section.

I am a life long golfer who grew up in St. Charles, MO where I still reside with my amazing & supportive wife Laura of 12 years, my sport loving son Marvin III (9 years old), my comical & smart daughter Charlotte (6 years old), and our crazy English bulldog CHIEF.

My passion for golf was nurtured first by my father, but also encourage by golf professionals who were part of the Gateway PGA Professionals who have been teachers, mentors and friends. These professionals inspired me to learn and love the game of golf. I competed in the Junior Gateway PGA , played collegiate golf at Missouri Baptist and Lindenwood University, where I earned a Bachelors of Science in Psychology and a Bachelors of Science in Biology from UMSL. Through out high school and college I worked at Cave Springs Driving Range and learned the business of taking care of people from Dave Sandfort and Dan Buffington, PGA. After College, I went west to work for Master Golf Professional Curt Nelson, PGA with the Overland Park Golf Division and began my pursuit of PGA Membership.

Family health problems & tragedy brought me back to St. Louis to begin working at Private Clubs over the past 10+ years in the Gateway PGA Section. Since being back home, I have been very fortunate to have served our Gateway Section with many great professionals, mentors, and friends. I have served for years on the Assistant's Committee, Tournament Committee, Junior Golf Committee, and most recently as a Presidential Appointed Director for the Board of Directors for the past 2 years. Working on these Committees & the Board of Directors have allowed me to learn what our professionals need and want. I have a passion to bolster participation, to promote, and support my fellow golf professional trying to find their place in our business. Working at different sectors of our golf business sets me apart and allows me to understand the perspective of a wide range of our golf professional I will be serving.

My passion as a PGA professional is to grow the game of golf and develop lifelong golfers, and that can change lives. Over the years I have found that if I can share, support, and help develop new, happy, and quality golf professionals it can grow the game more and literally change the world.

I am a blessed man, with an amazing family, I am employed at a great club ( Sunset Country Club), I am lucky to be surrounded by a great team, and I have the ambition serve you, the golf professionals of our Gateway Section, as your next Secretary. I am far from perfect, but I do have love for the game of golf, a passion to serve our Gateway PGA Section and Foundation, and I care about the quality of life for our Golf Professionals. Thank you so much for the opportunity to introduce myself as your Candidate for Secretary of the Gateway PGA Section.