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Alabama Manufactured Housing Association Announces Gwinna Boyd and Calva Cooner's Induction into the Alabama Manufactured Housing Industry Hall of Fame

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Hamilton, AL – The Alabama Manufactured Housing Association announced today the induction of Gwinna Boyd and Calva Cooner into the Alabama Manufactured Housing Industry Hall of Fame. A ceremony was held on February 5th to honor the occasion.

Calva Cooner and Gwinne Boyd, more commonly known as the “Sisters of Savings,” have been in the manufactured housing industry for 45 years. They have owned and operated Jasper Mobile Homes since 1986 and have been a part of the Clayton family since September 2017.

Gwinna and Calva started out working for Calva’s husband who owned a lot in Jasper. Eventually, the sisters realized there was a large opportunity for them in the manufactured housing industry. Buccaneer Homes and North River Homes loaned each of the sisters \$2,500 to get started. Ten years later, they moved to a 16-acre lot and built a brand-new home center. Business was booming, with their best year coming in the mid-90s with sales maxing out at 330 homes. The housing market crash of 2008 began to take a toll on sales, and in 2009 Gwinna was diagnosed with an aggressive form of breast cancer. Calve stepped up during this time and brought them through the toughest period of their lives.

The sisters dedicate their success to their parents who taught them to keep God first in all they do and all things will be added. Their success is also attributed to their work ethic, customer care and service, the ability to work together, and the support

of their husbands and family. Gwinna's daughter, Victoria Boyd, has now joined the team and they hope to see their legacy live on.

Nominees for the Hall of Fame must have made a significant contribution to the industry, owned, managed, or been a part of a successful business that contributed to the manufactured housing industry. They must have been active in the manufactured housing industry for at least ten years. The Hall of Fame is located at the Alabama Manufactured Housing Association building in Montgomery, Alabama.

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About Alabama Manufactured Housing Association

Since 1968, the Alabama Manufactured Housing Association has led the way for the manufactured housing and modular housing industry. Through determination and pride, manufactured housing and modular housing have earned their place in Alabama's housing market. The industry provides an innovative, safe, and affordable housing choice for nearly half a million Alabamians.

About Alabama Manufactured Housing Industry Hall of Fame

The AMHA membership, Hall of Fame Committee, the industry, and the public may nominate persons to be inducted into the Hall of Fame. Nominees or their sponsors provide a biographical sketch and complete a questionnaire. The Hall of Fame Committee, which consist of all living member of the Hall of Fame, receives all nominations and information submitted. They submit their scores based on the criteria, and all the scores are combined to determine the nominees to be inducted.

Five persons were inducted in the Hall of Fame in the first year (2001), and four in 2002. The number of yearly inductees was reduced to three in 2003; then two in 2012 and all subsequent years.