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Massachusetts High Technology Council Statement on Results of Massachusetts Governor's Race Council President Christopher R. Anderson Congratulates Charlie Baker and Karyn Polito

Waltham, Mass.--On behalf of the Massachusetts High Technology Council and its members, I congratulate Charlie Baker and Karyn Polito on their election as the next Governor and Lt. Governor of Massachusetts.

Charlie has been a longtime friend of --and collaborator with--the Council, from his service as the Council's corporate communications director in the early 1980s through his work for the Weld and Cellucci administrations and later at Harvard Pilgrim Health Care. We know from experience how fortunate the Commonwealth is to have him as its next Governor. Charlie has the experience, talent and proven leadership skills to work effectively with job creators and the Legislature to expand the state's economy by championing policies that build on our strengths and address our competitive challenges head on.

The Council would also like to thank Governor Patrick for his leadership and public service over the past eight years. The Council is pleased to have collaborated with his administration on a variety of initiatives that strengthened our Commonwealth, including the passage of the landmark education reform bill in 2010 to expand the number of Charter Schools and the establishment of the Massachusetts Military Asset and Strategy Task Force. We wish Governor Patrick and his family the best of luck in their future endeavors.

We look forward to working closely with Charlie and Karyn in the days and weeks to come. The Council's mission is closely aligned with Charlie's, and we are eager to help them prepare for an administration that moves quickly to address key challenges, creates a more business friendly and competitive climate for job creators, and provides leadership in support of state and federal policies that encourage growth throughout our technology economy.

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The Massachusetts High Technology Council is the oldest and only cross-sector association of technology, professional services, and higher education CEOs and senior executives in Massachusetts. As advocates for public policies and programs that create and maintain a healthy and competitive business climate, the Council has lead winning strategies for 37 years. In addition to its mission focus on cost competitiveness and talent development, the Council also works to preserve and strengthen federal defense assets in Massachusetts and support a robust and productive interaction among those assets and the public and private technology sectors across New England.