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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD WASHINGTON D.C.

In the Matter of the Investigation of *
Heart of Texas Hot Air Balloon Rides, N2469L, *

KUBICEK BB85Z Accident, * DOCKET NO.: SA-539

Lockhart, Texas, July 30, 2016 *

NOTICE OF DESIGNATION OF CHAIRMAN OF BOARD OF INQUIRY

Pursuant to the authority conferred by the National Transportation Safety Board, Washington, D.C., Member Robert L. Sumwalt is hereby designated as Chairman, Board of Inquiry, to conduct an investigative hearing on behalf of the National Transportation Safety Board in the above matter. The said chairman of the Board of Inquiry is authorized to exercise such powers in connection with the conduct of said proceedings as authorized by the National Transportation Safety Board.

Dated this 29 day of September 2016.

FOR THE BOARD

Christopher A. Hart

Chairman