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NPA Statement on Retirement of Scott Gottlieb

WASHINGTON, D.C.— Natural Products Association President and CEO Daniel Fabricant, Ph.D. released the following statement in response to Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Commissioner Scott Gottlieb retirement:

“We urge President Trump to consider a new leader for the FDA that will use the Agency’s enforcement powers to get tough on bad actors and lead on new areas like cannabidiol (CBD) and other promising natural products. A lot of ideas were put in motion on trade, NDI intellectual property protection, and NDI enforcement, and we need a partner in government who can help bring those home for consumers and small businesses.

“We commend Commissioner Gottlieb for his service and look forward to working with the FDA during this transition. The U.S. has the safest nutritional supplements in the world because of collaborative efforts between our industry and federal regulators, and we are confident that collaboration will continue under new leadership.”

Natural Products Association

The **Natural Products Association (NPA)** is *the* trade association representing the entire natural products industry. We advocate for our members who supply, manufacture and sell natural ingredients or products for consumers. The Natural Products Association promotes good manufacturing practices as part of the growth and success of the industry. Founded in 1936, NPA represents approximately 1,000 members accounting for more than 10,000 locations of retailers, manufacturers, wholesalers and distributors of natural products, including foods, dietary supplements and health/beauty aids. Visit www.npanational.org.