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HCP Appoints Kevin Thomas as New President

Albany, NY – The New York State Association of Health Care Providers (HCP) today announced the appointment of **Kevin Thomas** as its new President, bringing with him a distinguished record of leadership in government, law, and advocacy. Thomas is recognized statewide for his work advancing consumer protections, expanding housing access, and strengthening community engagement.

Thomas currently serves as Managing Director and Co-Chair of Mercury Public Affairs on Long Island, where he leads strategic communications and advocacy efforts in partnership with local governments and organizations to drive policy change and deepen community involvement.

From 2019 to 2024, Thomas represented the 6th Senatorial District in the New York State Senate, where he chaired the Senate Committee on Consumer Protection. During his tenure, he championed landmark reforms to safeguard consumers from predatory practices, most notably, reducing the statute of limitations on consumer debt and lowering judgment interest rates. He collaborated closely with colleagues across chambers and the Governor's office to draft, debate, and enact more than 70 bills into law, spanning consumer protection, housing, public safety, and economic justice.

In addition to his legislative accomplishments, Thomas co-chaired hearings on housing discrimination, served on the LIPA Commission, and contributed to the US Commission on Civil Rights' New York State Advisory Committee. Earlier in his career, he worked as a Staff Attorney with the New York Legal Assistance Group's Consumer Protection Unit, representing clients in debt litigation and supervising pro bono attorneys who provided vital legal services to vulnerable New Yorkers.

With Thomas at the helm, HCP is positioned to strengthen its role as the leading advocate for New York's home care providers, advancing policies that support caregivers, agencies, and the patients and families they serve.

About HCP

The New York State Association of Health Care Providers (HCP) is a statewide membership organization dedicated to supporting and strengthening New York's home care industry. HCP provides advocacy, education, and resources to ensure high-quality, accessible home care for all New Yorkers.

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