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## SEARCH COMMITTEE SELECTS FIVE CANDIDATES TO SUCCEED NFL COMMISSIONER TAGLIABUE

The special eight-man Search Committee appointed by NFL Commissioner **PAUL TAGLIABUE** to recommend candidates for his successor today announced the names of five individuals to be placed before NFL club owners at a meeting on August 7-9 at the Renaissance Hotel in Chicago.

The five nominees, according to Committee co-chairmen **DAN ROONEY** of the Pittsburgh Steelers and **JERRY RICHARDSON** of the Carolina Panthers, are:

- ROGER S. GOODELL, 47, New York, New York. Executive Vice President and COO, NFL.
- **GREGG H. LEVY**, 53, Washington, DC. Partner, Covington & Burling law firm.
- FREDERICK R. NANCE, 52, Cleveland, Ohio. Partner, Squire, Sanders & Dempsey law firm.
- ROBERT L. REYNOLDS, 54, Concord, Massachusetts. Vice Chairman and COO, Fidelity Investments.
- MAYO A. SHATTUCK III, 51, Baltimore, Maryland. Chairman of the Board, President and CEO of Constellation

Energy.

In addition to Rooney and Richardson, the Search Committee includes **AL DAVIS**, Oakland Raiders; **CLARK HUNT**, Kansas City Chiefs; **WOODY JOHNSON**, New York Jets; **JERRY JONES**, Dallas Cowboys; **ROBERT KRAFT**, New England Patriots; and **MIKE MC CASKEY**, Chicago Bears.

The finalists were nominated by the committee from a group of 185 candidates which was narrowed to 11. These 11 candidates were interviewed by the Search Committee in Detroit earlier this week. All candidates underwent an extensive interview process assisted by the executive search firm of Korn Ferry.

The balloting procedures set forth by Commissioner Tagliabue, who will chair the meeting, will be as follows:

- Each candidate will make a presentation to the 32 clubs on August 7<sup>th</sup> in Chicago.
- Each club will be represented by an owner or owner designee.
- After these presentations, the clubs will divide into subgroups. Each candidate then will be interviewed by owners or club representatives in each subgroup for a specific period of time.
- When these interviews and subsequent discussions among the league's members are completed, the voting will begin.
- Procedures will be set for determining whether particular ballots will be secret or open.
- The affirmative vote of two-thirds of the league's member clubs, i.e. 22 votes of 32, is needed to elect a new commissioner. Attendance by every club in the league is mandatory.
- Deloitte & Touche USA will count the votes.