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## Kwik Lok Names John Skadorwa as Chief Operating Officer

Seasoned Operating Executive to Join Leadership Team at Kwik Lok

YAKIMA, <u>Wash.</u>, (July 10, 2023)- Kwik Lok Corporation, headquartered in Yakima, Washington, announces the addition of John Skadorwa to its Leadership Team. Skadorwa takes on the role of Chief Operating Officer (COO) upon the retirement of COO, Jeff Scott, who is leaving the company after a six-and-a-half-year tenure.

Skadorwa is an accomplished professional with over 25 years of experience in a variety of industries including military, construction, energy, aerospace and manufacturing. He is a certified Lean Six Sigma Master Black Belt and has a proven track record in problem resolution, statistical analysis, operational excellence and project management.

Most recently, Skadorwa served as a Program Management Director on Blue Origin's BE-4 Rocket Engine Program in Kent, Washington which provides propulsion to next generation launch vehicles. While there he focused on the effectiveness, efficiency, and quality of the engines produced. Before Blue Origin, Skadorwa worked in a variety of roles focused on cultural and strategic transformation, innovation implementation, continuous improvement, manufacturing execution and leadership development.

Skadorwa graduated with his MBA from Washington State University's Carson College of Business.

"I want to thank Jeff Scott for his years of service to Kwik Lok. He has advanced Kwik Lok's production processes, contributed to our Leadership Team and developed a terrific staff. I wish Jeff all the best in his retirement. With John coming onboard I look forward to his invaluable problem-solving experience and his support of ongoing learning and the continuous improvement of our operations." said Don Carrell, CEO of Kwik Lok.

"I am very excited to have the opportunity to join Kwik Lok and support them as they amp up the diversification of their offerings, as well as provide new and sustainable options for their customers." said Skadorwa.

## About Kwik Lok

Founded in 1954, Kwik Lok is the global market leader in bag closures. The company produces billions of bag closures every year for baking and produce industries and the machinery for customers to print and apply closures. Kwik Lok brings almost 70 years of expertise to deliver advanced engineering and design. Kwik Lok is owned by third-generation family leadership, with a vision to drive greater sustainability in the industry. Learn more at <u>www.kwiklok.com</u>

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