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ADAM HOOTS JOINS YORK EXPONENTIAL

Former construction management executive joins robotics company to oversee South Carolina activities

YORK PENNSYLVANIA – York Exponential, a collaborative robotics and artificial intelligence company, today announced that Adam Hoots has joined the company as Director of Business Development for the South Carolina market.

“Adam’s experience in the life sciences industry and his extensive network in the space make him a perfect addition to our team,” said York Exponential chief executive officer John McElligott. “We have received such a warm welcome in South Carolina, especially among those in the life sciences industry, that expansion to the state is a logical next step. As a mission-driven company, we are excited to put more Americans on a path toward cutting-edge careers and upward mobility and help save lives. We are honored to have Adam driving this critical mission in South Carolina.”

As Director of Business Development, Hoots will oversee business development activities in the state, including the delivery of York Exponential’s sales, commercial, and customer strategy. His efforts will also include developing and enhancing relationships with South Carolina businesses, government officials, professional organizations, and other influencers. Hoots will also work on workforce development initiatives, specifically to remove barriers people face in getting trained for the jobs of the future and provide access to emerging technologies so no individual is left behind in the 4th industrial revolution.

“I am excited to join the York Exponential team,” said Adam Hoots. “The breadth of expertise in robotics and artificial intelligence, combined with their mission focused on the York Plan 2.0, position the company for significant growth potential in South Carolina.”

Hoots brings almost 15 years of experience working in the construction management industry with a specific focus on game-changing life science laboratories. He has successfully completed more than \$400 million in life sciences and high-tech laboratory construction, from building the shell to process connections and commissioning. Nationally, Adam has worked on life sciences and cleanroom projects for clients

including Stanford University, Oregon Health Science University, National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST), and the University of Florida (NIMET).

In conjunction with his wife Brittany, Hoots founded *kidSney*, a non-profit organization promoting kidney transplant awareness and assisting families that have been impacted by kidney disease.

His passion and experience have led him to serve the South Carolina Biotechnology Innovation Organization (SCBio), National Kidney Foundation SC, Greenville Regional Education Center Advisory Board (RECAB), and as a local baseball and basketball coach.

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York Exponential is a robotics and artificial intelligence company. Based in York, Pennsylvania and established in 2015, the company designs robotic products and solutions with collaborative robots at the core. The robots are designed to augment the workforce, not replace it - humans and robots working together.