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Littleton Hockey Association (LHA) is proud to announce the appointment of Luke Fulghum as its new Executive Director, effective immediately. With over two decades of experience in professional hockey and youth development, Fulghum brings a wealth of knowledge and passion to his new role, aimed at fostering the growth and success of youth hockey in the Littleton community.

The Executive Director Search Committee, made up of a diverse group of members and peers, vetted more than three dozen qualified candidates from across the country. The Committee was inspired by the depth of the candidate group and the value these individuals saw in LHA.

Luke Fulghum's career in hockey is marked by an impressive array of achievements. He is a two-time NCAA National Champion with the University of Denver and played professionally for nine seasons and over 500 games in the US, Canada, Finland, England, and France.

"Luke's passion for the game extends far beyond the scoreboard," said George Gwozdecky, former Head Coach at the University of Denver and current Head Coach at Valor Christian High School. "He has a genuine desire to see young players succeed not only on the ice, but also as well-rounded individuals. His dedication to building a culture of character and success will be invaluable to Littleton Hockey Association."

After his playing career, Fulghum transitioned seamlessly into coaching and hockey management roles. He served as the Tier 1 Director and Head Coach for 16U and 18U teams at both the Colorado Rampage AAA and the Pikes Peak Miners AAA. His responsibilities included player development, recruitment, budget management, and operations oversight, demonstrating his commitment to advancing players to higher levels of competition and education.

"Joining Littleton Hockey Association as Executive Director is an incredible opportunity to combine my passion for hockey with my dedication to youth development," said Luke Fulghum. "I look forward to working closely with the players, coaches, and families of LHA to continue building a strong hockey community that supports the growth and success of every child."

Fulghum holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of Denver's Daniels College of Business. He also earned an MBA in International Sports Management from Coventry Business College in the

United Kingdom. His educational background complements his extensive practical experience in sports management, enabling him to bring a well-rounded approach to his new role.

"We are thrilled to welcome Luke Fulghum to the LHA family," said Phil Heinrich, President of Littleton Hockey Association. "His leadership, experience, and deep-rooted passion for hockey make him an ideal fit to lead our organization into the future."

Luke Fulghum's appointment represents a significant step forward for Littleton Hockey Association as it continues to prioritize excellence and growth in youth hockey development. His tenure promises to be marked by innovation, integrity, and a steadfast commitment to the core values of sportsmanship and community that LHA embodies.

Founded in 1963, Littleton Hockey Association has been a cornerstone of youth hockey in the Denver area, offering programs for players of all ages and skill levels. LHA's commitment to providing a positive and competitive environment aligns perfectly with Fulghum's vision for fostering player development both on and off the ice.

For more information about Littleton Hockey Association and its programs, please visit [www.littletonhockey.com](http://www.littletonhockey.com).