



HOME FURNISHINGS ASSOCIATION

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SCOTUS Ruling is a Win for HFA Members

Decades of Advocacy Pay Off

Roseville CA (June 21, 2018) – The Home Furnishings Association (HFA) is thrilled with the U.S. Supreme Court’s ruling in the *South Dakota v. Wayfair* case. The court ruled that states can require retailers to collect sales tax regardless of physical nexus.

“Well it’s about time,” says HFA member Wogie Badcock, Badcock Home Furniture & More, Mulberry Fla. “The home furnishings industry has been fighting against the unfairness brick-and-mortar retailers face since the early 1980s when trans-shippers avoided taxes. The situation has been the same just with a newer platform of the internet. All brick-and-mortar stores ever asked for was a level playing field; and now we’ll get it.”

The HFA has been advocating for online sales tax parity specifically for several years through advocacy fly-ins, calls to action and state-level meetings with legislators. The Association and its members worked in coalition with other retail trade groups as well.

“This decision is a great victory for our members and a testament to their diligence in seeking reform,” says HFA CEO, Sharron Bradley. “We’ve put a lot of time and effort into this issue and it’s rewarding to see it finally move forward. We’re pleased the Supreme Court recognized that it’s time to treat all retailers equally whether they’re brick-and-mortar, online or remote.”

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About the Home Furnishings Association:

The Home Furnishings Association (HFA), with roots dating back to 1920, is North America’s largest organization devoted specifically to the needs and interests of home furnishings retailers, with more than 1,800 members representing more than 7,000 storefronts across all 50 states and several countries. Association offices in the East, West, and Central United States provide members with programs, resources, services, and a unified voice in government relations by partnering with home furnishings industry suppliers, vendors, affiliates, and other organizations. For more information on the HFA visit www.nahfa.org.