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LA-Z-BOY NAMES PRESIDENT OF CLAYTON MARCUS DIVISION

MONROE, MI. September 16, 2005 – La-Z-Boy Incorporated (**NYSE, PCX: LZB**) today announced the appointment of Vernon Bigsby as President of its Clayton Marcus upholstery unit. Bigsby will report to Rodney D. England, President of La-Z-Boy's Non-Branded Upholstery Product. The position was previously held by Michael Delgatti, who left the company in May.

A graduate of North Carolina State University with a BS in Industrial Engineering from its school of Furniture Manufacturing and Management, Bigsby has spent his entire career in the furniture industry. Most recently, he was Vice President of Marketing for Leggett & Platt and, prior to that, was President and Chief Executive Officer of King Hickory Furniture. Earlier in his career Bigsby started Motioncraft, a higher end motion furniture manufacturer, which was later sold to Sherrill Furniture. Bigsby also worked for Clayton Marcus from 1996 to 1998 as Vice President of Merchandising and Marketing.

Commenting on the appointment, England said, "Vernon has a long history in the furniture business with a strong track record. We are pleased to have such a high-caliber professional on our team and are confident he will build the Clayton Marcus brand and business."

Bigsby, 54, lives in Hickory, North Carolina, and is married with two daughters.

Clayton Marcus is one of six upholstery companies within La-Z-Boy Incorporated, including Bauhaus, Centurion, England, La-Z-Boy and Sam Moore. Based in Hickory, North Carolina, Clayton Marcus is a leading manufacturer of medium-to-better residential upholstery in both fabric and leather. Products include eight-way hand tied sofas, sleeper sofas, loveseats, chairs and ottomans in traditional, casual and transitional styles.

Background Information

With annual sales of over \$2 billion, La-Z-Boy Incorporated is one of the world's leading residential furniture producers, marketing furniture for every room of the home, as well as for the hospitality, health care and assisted-living industries. The La-Z-Boy Upholstery Group companies are Bauhaus, Centurion, Clayton Marcus, England, La-Z-Boy, and Sam Moore. The La-Z-Boy Casegoods Group companies are American Drew, American of Martinsville, Hammary, Kincaid, Lea and Pennsylvania House.

The corporation's vast proprietary distribution network is dedicated exclusively to selling La-Z-Boy Incorporated products and brands, and includes 336 stand-alone La-Z-Boy Furniture Galleries® stores and 340 La-Z-Boy In-Store Galleries, in addition to in-store gallery programs at the company's Kincaid, Pennsylvania House, Clayton Marcus, England and Lea operating units. According to industry trade publication *In Furniture*, the La-Z-Boy Furniture Galleries retail network is North America's largest single-brand furniture retailer. Additional information is available at http://www.la-z-boy.com/.

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