

## **The NZSA 2019 Beacon Award Winner is Sir Stephen Tindall, Founder of The Warehouse Group and K1W1**

Last night, the New Zealand Shareholders Association awarded its 2019 Beacon Award to Sir Stephen Tindall at the Northern Club in a room packed with directors and CEOs of New Zealand's leading listed companies and industry partners.

Sir Stephen Tindall has made an outstanding contribution to New Zealand Business and Society throughout his life which is marked by many significant milestones. In 1982 he founded The Warehouse, in 1995 with his wife Margaret he set up the Tindall Foundation, in 1997 he was awarded the New Zealand Order of Merit, in 1999 Sir Stephen founded K1W1, in 2002 he co-founded KEA and in 2007 he was made a Distinguished Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit which was elevated to Knight Grand Companion in 2019.

“The Beacon Award recognises outstanding achievement across a range of criteria including leadership, bravery, conduct, respect, best practice and fair and equitable outcomes for all.” Said Tony Mitchell the Chair of New Zealand Shareholders Association.

“Sir Stephen is a worthy recipient of the 2019 Beacon Award across all criteria. NZSA are recognising the contribution by Sir Stephen through K1W1 and KEA.” Mitchell went on to say

K1W1 was created to assist young entrepreneurs to grow New Zealand as a leader in the knowledge economy by investing in New Zealand start-ups and early stage companies. Today over \$250 million has been invested in seed and venture capital. K1W1's efforts have made a significant contribution to New Zealand's businesses, economy and provided opportunities for investors. KEA connects New Zealand's one million strong global expat community to make high impact global connections for Kiwis and Kiwi businesses, which now boast a global community of 800,000. The legacy that Sir Stephen has built continues to foster prosperity for all.

NZSA applauds the outstanding contribution to New Zealand Business and Society made by Sir Stephen Tindall.

Previous award winners include eminent directors, managers, and advocates for shareholders, such as Mr Don Braid, Mrs Joan Withers, Mr Robert Campbell, Mr Mike Daniell, Mr Tony Carter, Mr Sean Hughes, Mr John Parker, Mr Simon Challies, Mr Rob Fyfe, Sir Michael Hill, Mr Bruce Plested and Mr Simon Botherway.