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### OWOLABI NAMED FREDERICKSBURG FC TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

**FREDERICKSBURG, Va (Friday, Jan. 12, 2018)** - Fredericksburg FC would like to welcome Mayowa Owolabi to the club as it's new Technical Director of Coaching. He will also work as the club's Academy Director.

Owolabi is a Woodbridge, Va., native who moved to Stafford, Va., when he was in fifth grade. He attended North Stafford and Forest Park high schools before attending Old Dominion University, from which he graduated in 2011 with a Sports and Business Management Degree. He currently resides in Stafford County.

The 28-year old has been coaching for several years and currently holds a USSF Senior A License, a USSF Youth License, a UEFA C License, a London FA Youth License and a NSCAA Premier Diploma. His coaching and administrative career has taken him to various places and levels, including time as an assistant coach for Johnson & Wales University's women's team, the head coach of LA Premier FC in the U.S. Soccer Development Academy (USSDA), an assistant coach with Miami Fusion FC of the National Premier Soccer League (NPSL) and as an Olympic Development Program (ODP) staff coach in Virginia and Florida. He has also spent time as the Director of Soccer for Soccer 5 Miami, the Executive Director of Nigeria Rush Soccer, the Programs Director with Prince William Soccer, Inc. (PWSI) and the Director of Youth Development for Norfolk United Soccer Club.

Owolabi played as a youth with the Stafford Soccer, PWSI and Premier AC clubs, while also playing at North Stafford and Forest Park high schools receiving All-Met honors his Senior year. After high school, he played for the club soccer team at Old Dominion University for four years while beginning his coaching career.

"The youth soccer demographic is very complex and to be successful one must have a variety of skill sets, including program admin work, event planning, ability to work with all levels from recreation to collegiate level, great personality and above all a passion to be on the fields 6-7 days a week for a greater part of the year. Mayowa has experience in all these areas and has traveled the globe pursuing his professional coaching career path," said FFC President and Executive Director Grover Gibson. "With Mayowa being a resident of the area, it was a natural fit for both him and the club. He is a very outgoing personality that enjoys engaging in conversations with everyone, which will be very well received."

#### **About Fredericksburg Football Club**

*Fredericksburg FC is the largest soccer club in Central Virginia, offering various youth programs from U4-U18, as well as Men's and Women's CCL Pro23 and NPSL teams. To learn more about FFC and its programs, please visit the club's website at [www.fredericksburgfc.org](http://www.fredericksburgfc.org).*

