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SmartStop Self Storage REIT, Inc. Chairman and CEO H. Michael Schwartz to Speak at the 12th Annual Evercore ISI Storage Symposium

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LADERA RANCH, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- SmartStop Self Storage REIT, Inc. ("SmartStop") (NYSE: SMA), an internally managed real estate investment trust and a premier owner and operator of self-storage facilities in the United States and Canada, today announced that H. Michael Schwartz, SmartStop's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, will participate on the Public REIT CEO Panel at the 12th Annual Evercore ISI Storage Symposium, taking place Wednesday, September 30, 2026, in New York City. The panel is scheduled for approximately 4:05 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time for registered conference attendees.

Hosted by the REIT research team at Evercore ISI, the annual symposium brings together public and private self-storage operators, brokerage professionals, and institutional investors to address the key themes shaping the industry, including operating fundamentals, the transaction market, and capital allocation. During the Public REIT CEO Panel, Schwartz will join leaders of other publicly traded self-storage REITs to share his perspective on current industry trends and the sector's outlook.

About SmartStop Self Storage REIT, Inc. (SmartStop):

SmartStop (NYSE: SMA) is a self-managed REIT with a fully integrated operations team of more than 1,000 self-storage professionals focused on growing the SmartStop® Self Storage brand. SmartStop, through its indirect subsidiary SmartStop REIT Advisors, LLC, also sponsors other self-storage programs, and through its Managed Platform offers third-party management services in the U.S. and Canada. As of September 28, 2026, SmartStop has an owned or managed portfolio of approximately 475 operating properties in 36 states, the District of Columbia,

and Canada, comprising over 285,000 units and approximately 36.8 million rentable square feet. SmartStop and its affiliates own or manage 68 operating self-storage properties across five provinces in Canada, which total approximately 59,000 units and 6.0 million rentable square feet. Additional information regarding SmartStop is available at www.smartstopselfstorage.com.

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