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## **NFL, NFLRA REACH SEVEN-YEAR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT**

The NFL and the NFL Referees Association have reached a seven-year collective bargaining agreement that will run through May 31, 2026. The current deal was scheduled to expire in May of 2020.

The agreement was unanimously approved by the NFLRA Board of Directors and ratified by a vote of NFLRA membership earlier today.

“This agreement solidifies the working partnership between the league and officials toward the common goal of developing and training the best officials in the world,” said NFL Executive Vice President of Football Operations **TROY VINCENT**. “We will continue working together to provide fans, players and coaches with officiating performance that meets the highest standards demanded by the game.”

The NFL-NFLRA CBA covers compensation and benefits issues and emphasizes efforts to train and develop world-class officials.

“It was a mutual and cooperative effort that took over a year and a half, and the outcome is seven years of certainty for the league and our officials,” said NFLRA Executive Director **SCOTT GREEN**. “We appreciate Troy Vincent and his staff for recognizing that working together to find solutions is the best course of action to reach a long-term agreement.”

NFLRA President **TONY STERATORE**, in his 20th season as a game official in 2019, added:

“We see this new CBA as a partnership with the league that benefits our membership but also seeks to make our game better. We all must keep pace with the speed and skill of the players, not to mention the increased use of technology. It is good to get these negotiations behind us.”

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