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EDYTH BUSH CHARITABLE FOUNDATION NAMES JERRY HILBRICH
NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

WINTER PARK, FL...The Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation is pleased to announce the election of Gerald F. "Jerry" Hilbrich as its new Chairman of the Board. Hilbrich replaces the late H. Clifford Lee who led the organization since its inception in 1973.

Hilbrich has been a member of the Foundation's Board since 1994. As the new Chairman of the Board, Hilbrich will provide leadership and direction in furthering the mission and goals of the Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation.

Hilbrich currently serves as Chief Financial Officer for the Catholic Diocese of Orlando. Prior to this position, he served as President of United Arts of Central Florida, Inc. and completed a distinguished career of 33 years with KPMG Peat Marwick LLP, an international accounting and consulting partnership. At the conclusion of his career, Hilbrich was the Area Managing Partner for all offices of KPMG in Florida and Puerto Rico and was a member of the National Board of Directors of KPMG as well as Chairman of the KPMG Foundation.

"Jerry's experience and commitment to the Foundation made him the logical choice to continue and enhance the spirit of accountability and legacy of leadership for which the Foundation is known," stated Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation President and CEO, David Odahowski.

Hilbrich has made volunteerism and community service a primary focus. He presently serves on the board of the Bishop Moore High School Endowment and Charitable Trust and is a member of the Dean's Advisory Council of the School of Business Administration of the University of Central Florida and the Dean's Advisory Council for the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University, his alma mater. Hilbrich has exceptional experience in the governance of nonprofit organizations, having served as Chairman for numerous philanthropic organizations including the Community Foundation of Central Florida, Florida Symphony Orchestra, Heart of Florida United Way, Junior Achievement of Central Florida and the University of Central Florida Foundation.

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Hilbrich has received several community service awards including National Society of Fundraising Executives' - Central Florida Chapter 2000 National Philanthropy Day Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser Award, Heart of Florida United Way's 1996 Alexis De Tocqueville Society Outstanding Volunteer Award and Junior Achievement of Central Florida's 1995 Spirit of Achievement Award.

Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation's other Board members include Mary Gretchen Belloff, Matthew Certo, Herbert Holm, John Lord, David Odahowski and Joan Ruffier.

The Edyth Bush Charitable Foundation was created in 1973. Since then, it has been enriched by the Richard J. Conlee Fund and the H. Clifford Lee Fund. To date, the Foundation has issued 2,148 grants to more than 400 organizations throughout the state, but primarily in Central Florida, totaling more than \$83 million. Though it does not actively solicit outside donations, the Foundation will work with philanthropists to achieve their charitable goals. For more information, please visit www.edyrbush.org.