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Community Foundations of Canada Appoints New Board Chair

OTTAWA (June 6, 2007) – Community Foundations of Canada’s (CFC) Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Vincenza Travale, a well-known Hamilton, Ontario educator as Chair of the Board.

Vincenza has long history with the community foundation movement and has served on CFC’s Board since 2004. She was appointed Vice-Chair in October 2006.

“On behalf of CFC I want to welcome Vincie in her new role as Board Chair,” said Monica Patten, President and CEO of CFC. “We already appreciate her enthusiasm and her ability to make things happen. I look forward to working with her in the coming months.”

Vincenza is a former Board Chair of the Hamilton Community Foundation and has led two of the foundation’s special initiatives. Her work as the Chair of Our Millennium Hamilton-Wentworth in 2000 brought accolades and attention from across the country.

Hamiltonians also know Vincenza as a long-time educator in their community, where she taught for many years before assuming responsibility at the Hamilton-Wentworth Roman Catholic Separate School Board as Area Superintendent and later as Associate Director, Instructional Services.

She has deep roots in her community and has been recognized on many occasions for her civic and professional activities. Vincenza is a past recipient of the Hamilton Distinguished Citizen of the Year award and the Hamilton Woman of the Year – Community Service award. She is also a recipient of the Queen’s Golden Jubilee Medal.

Vincenza fills the post of outgoing Chair Richard Frost, the President and CEO of The Winnipeg Foundation. Frost spent 3 years at the helm of CFC.

“Rick has made an incredible contribution to our organization,” said Patten. “We thank him for his work with the Board and his ongoing leadership in the community foundation movement.”

Community Foundations of Canada (CFC) is the national membership organization for the 157 community foundations located in rural and urban communities from coast to coast. Canada's community foundations hold collective assets of \$2.7 billion and contributed more than \$137million to a wide range of charities last year.

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